



# Osmotherley Area Messenger

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*The Nickel* presents an eclectic mix of songs from Tom Waits to Van Morrison and from Michel Legrand to Stephen Sondheim as well as the Great American Songbook with many others included in the mix, all loosely woven around the themes of love and marriage. *The Nickel* have their own unique and intimate cabaret style and would love you to come along to taste the wine and share an evening of good music with them.

2 sets of songs with interval. Doors open at 7.30pm for 8pm, 13th May (Village Hall).

Tickets £7 including bar snacks, Refreshments and Great Raffle prizes available!!

Booking Line – 01609 883814 OR 01642 531170

*The Nickel* is: Vocals: Helen Speed; Piano/Keyboard: Steve McNichol

## Osmotherley Village Theatre



'**Move over Mrs Markham**' was another tremendous production from the OVT Group. Congratulations to all the actors and support. We are eagerly anticipating the next production!

## Oil For Osmotherley

Come along to the launch of our new 'Oil Club'.

Many householders living in Osmotherley and the surrounding areas rely on oil for both heating and hot water – which is much more expensive than using the mains gas supply.

Filling a tank with oil usually costs between £500 and £600, but this can rise dramatically during the colder months: over Christmas 2010 the cost for some households rose to almost 90p per litre – that's

£900 to fill up a 1000 litre tank.

Residents in Osmotherley are joining forces with Hambleton District Council, Yorkshire Energy Partnership and the North Yorkshire Credit Union to drive down these costs and, following a popular 'Energy Day' held in the Village Hall last month, we now have 25 local people looking to launch an oil-buying club – cutting costs for everyone involved.

To find out more about our oil-buying syndicate – and to

join us – come along at 7.30pm on Wednesday 25th May to the Queen Catherine. Please look out for posters on the village notice boards, look on the Yorkshire Energy Partnership website [www.yorkshireenergypartnership.org.uk](http://www.yorkshireenergypartnership.org.uk) or call Freephone 0800 512012.

For more information call Rosie Hughes at Yorkshire Energy Partnership on 01904 554408 or email [rosie.hughes@energypartnership.org.uk](mailto:rosie.hughes@energypartnership.org.uk)

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## Parish Council

Osmotherley Area Parish Council met with representatives of the YHA because a proposal has been made to close the Hostel at Cote Ghyll which is currently only operating at 33% of its capacity. As well as these low attendance figures the property is in need of a major refurbishment in order for it to become more attractive and this coupled with a need to draw in organised groups of either adults or students means that the facility faces an uphill task. Members did not feel that they could make any immediate recommendation but will give this further consideration at the May meeting. The Police report indicated that thefts of diesel, sheep, garden items and now lead from roofs remain a serious problem and everyone is urged to report any suspicious activity as soon as it is noticed. There has been a good response to a recent appeal for Neighbourhood Watch personnel and this may help to reduce some of the crimes currently being committed. Country Watch is being reorganised and volunteers from the more rural areas are needed to ensure the success of this scheme.

Highways concerns remain high on the agenda and there is still much work to be done to restore damage from the last winter. This now also includes many gulleys, particularly on North End as well as much of the rural road network, all of which need to be repaired. As well as potholes the dry weather has shown up where the water leaks are and these have once again been passed to highways for action.

Hambleton District Council have entered into negotiations to hand over the running of the public toilets to the Parish Council. In turn the PC has been in discussion with the Village Hall and an arrangement has now been formally agreed whereby these will transfer to become a village asset with a degree of funding being released to facilitate this. The Pound on North End is to be re-instated to its former historic condition and it has now been confirmed that work will be carried out by a contractor approved by and paid by the National Park to carry out this work to the required standards.

Next month will see elections in some areas for new Parish and District Councillors. The last PC meeting saw the resignation of two longstanding and valued representatives— Anne Abbott and Shirley Kirk— who between them had put in 32 years of service as Parish Councillors. Their decisions to step down were marked with a tribute to their hard work and dedication.

## Welcome Pack

New Neighbour? Don't forget that we have an updated edition of the Welcome Pack for newcomers to the area. So let us know if someone moves in near you and we can give you a Pack to deliver yourself or one of us will deliver it. Contact:

Veda 883479, Sean & Jane 883297, Elaine 883477, Fiona 883818

## Osmotherley & District Garden Club

Don't miss the annual **Plant & Produce Sale** (Sat 28th May 2.30-4.00pm, Village Hall).

This event provides a wonderful opportunity to

purchase perennials, shrubs, annuals, young vegetable and salad plants, house plants all at approximately 50% of commercial prices. There will also be a selection of cakes,

fancies, bread and preserves. Admission is free and refreshments will be available. It is advisable to come early to avoid disappointment!

## Alzheimer's Society Fundraising

**RECIPES**—Thank you to those who have already donated a recipe for a very original Vegetarian Recipe Book. Entries will be collected until the end of August 2011 with a view to publish for Christmas (all proceeds to the Alzheimer's Society). Donating the recipe costs nothing. You can send your recipe by email to lyn.rogers@care4free.net or call on 01609 883615. Thank you for your support.

**EVENTS**—The recent event in memory of Margaret Holt raised £260—thanks for all the contributions and help on the day.



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# Young Enterprise

The editors would like to encourage young people in the village to promote their small business ideas. Please write to us with these ideas and we will give you the opportunity to develop them through the newsletter.

## Body Shop at Home

You and your friends can look forward to being pampered with our latest ranges at your party. It really is simple - you invite your friends and I'll do all the work. Host a party and receive up to £120 worth of free products. Terms and conditions apply. Each month has different offers and host gifts. Catalogues and offers available upon request.

For further information contact: Steph Austin 07725616776 [stephaustin@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:stephaustin@hotmail.co.uk)

### This month's offers

1st - 10th May - 25% off skincare

11th - 21st May - 25% off body butters & body scrubs

22nd - 31st may - 25% off make up

26th May - 15th June - body butter duo  
£10 instead of £12.50



# Osmotherley School

This summer term begins with our celebrations of the Royal Wedding. The children are dressing in red, white and blue and will be having a 'Wedding Lunch' and a 'Royal Wedding Picnic' prepared by the school kitchen at Swainby on the two days of the special week that they are in school. We have planned an afternoon of games followed by a miniature 'street party' for which the children have prepared food with our cookery club leaders and the children will also find out

about the Royal Family as part of the classroom based activities they do during the week.

This term Acorns Class will be learning about the seaside and they have a visit to the sea planned. Oaks class will be learning more about one of the world's most valuable resources – water. We have a workshop planned with the students from Northallerton College, a visit to Natures World and a visit to Cod Beck. We also have film project planned where we will be working with a school in

Middlesbrough (Archibald School). We are hopeful that this will lead to a presentation of the children's work to which everyone will be invited.

The children swam well in the Allertonshire Small Schools swimming gala in the last week of the Spring Term – everyone tried really hard and some personal bests were achieved. The team came overall joint 4th which was very pleasing. But the greatest achievement was by the team who entered the Tri-Golf festival at Easingwold. They came 1st! This means that they qualify

for the county finals held in May and we wish them all the best for this!

We have a lot of activities booked into this coming term so I do hope that the weather remains fine and I will let you know how everyone gets on. Events include Athletics, Kwik Cricket, Rounders, and Tag Rugby. Year 6 are going to East Barnby for a weeks adventurous activities and we have our Leavers Service planned for Thursday 21st July at 2pm in St Peter's Church – please put the date in your diary and come and join us!



[www.osmotherleyfilm.co.uk](http://www.osmotherleyfilm.co.uk)

## THE GHOST

[2010] UK Cert. 15 122mins

Starring: Ewan McGregor, Pierce Brosnan, Kim Cattrall

*'An immaculately crafted thriller ... a chilling and sinister study of power.'* – *The Observer*.

*'A thriller that oozes intrigue and Hitchcockian menace.'* – *Daily Mirror*.

When the previous writer dies in mysterious circumstances, The Ghost (McGregor) is brought in to finish the memoirs of former British Prime Minister Adam Lang (Brosnan). Lang is in exile in the US because of allegations of war crimes. As The Ghost works on the book, he begins to uncover secrets that Lang is determined to keep hidden at all costs.

FRIDAY 20th MAY, The Village Hall

Doors open 7.30pm; Film starts 8pm

Bring your own refreshments (and a cushion if you wish!)

Guests admitted (must be over 16 yrs of age). Guest Fee £5

Further details on our website or see the posters around the village centre

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## Dates for your Diary

### May

Sun 1st 6.30pm Osmotherley Methodist Church led by Rev. Robert Gee

Wed 4th 7:30pm. Queen Catherine, Royal British Legion Monthly Meeting and bingo.

Sat 7th 10am-12 noon. Village Hall Annual Spring Clean – please come and help

Sun 8th 6.30pm Osmotherley Methodist Church Holy Communion led by Rev. Andy Bryer

Sun 8th 12 noon. Queen Catherine, Royal British Legion Spring Lunch

Fri 13th 7.30 pm. Village Hall – An evening with ‘The Nickel’

Sun 15th 6.30pm Osmotherley Methodist Church led by Mrs Rowena Webster

Thu 19th 9:30am Royal British Legion Spring Outing to Swaledale

Fri 20th 7.30 for 8pm Village Hall, Osmotherley Film ‘The Ghost’

Sat 21st 11am-2pm Village hall Christian Aid Soup Lunch

Sun 22nd 4-5pm St Peters Church ‘A Voyage of Discovery’ with Salt & Pepper Puppet team

Sun 22nd NO METHODIST SERVICE Circuit service at Northallerton Methodist Church

Wed 25th 7.30pm Queen Catherine, Oil for Osmotherley

Sat 28th 2.30- 4.00 pm Village Hall, Plant and Produce Sale

Sat 28th 10am-12 noon Osmotherley Methodist Church COFFEE IN CHAPEL

Sun 29th 6.30pm Osmotherley Methodist Church Led by Worship Leader Mrs Iris Smith

COFFEE WILL BE SERVED IN METHODIST CHURCH EACH SATURDAY FROM  
MAY 28th UNTIL AUGUST 27th 10 am until 12 noon. Everyone welcome.

## St Peters and Churches Together

On Saturday 21st May a  
Soup Lunch in aid of  
Christian Aid will be held in  
the Village Hall from 11am-  
2pm. This will be a good  
opportunity to sample some  
delicious home-made soup  
and have a nice fun lunch.  
This is the new format  
suggested by Christian Aid.

There will also be a  
Traidcraft Stall and a cake  
Stall and a raffle.

On Sunday 22nd May the  
All Saints Salt and Light  
Puppet team will present "A  
Voyage of Discovery" in St  
Peter's Church at 4 - 5p.m.  
(Admission is free , all ages  
are welcome, refreshments

to follow the performance)

There will be a meeting of  
the Churches together in  
Osmotherley Group on 4th  
May at 10a.m. in Church  
House. This is a lively group  
and all everyone is welcome  
to come and help plan our  
summer's activities.

## Osmotherley Pre-School

Welcome to the summer  
term and a huge thank-you  
to all those parents and  
children who helped make  
the Mothering Sunday  
Service such a success!  
Mums' photos are still  
displayed in the church –  
however, all will be returned  
to their rightful owners.

Thank you also for the  
generous donations given  
over the last few months,  
with which we have been  
able to purchase a set of  
wooden hollow blocks and  
construction materials – to  
be used both indoors and  
outdoors.

Mrs Armitage and I are

working closely together on  
transition arrangements and,  
for those children due to start  
school in September, there  
will be additional  
opportunities to experience  
their new environment and  
classroom routines, as well as  
get to know staff and pupils.  
Forest school activities  
continue to thrive and pre-  
school is hoping to get out  
and about in the village, as  
well as visit the Applegarth,  
over the coming months –  
any parent or grandparent  
wishing to join us on these  
outings, please let me know.

The Easter Bunny Hunt was  
a successful fundraising

event. If anyone has any  
more fundraising ideas, please  
get in touch!! Forthcoming  
events include an open  
morning (date to be finalised)  
as well as an opportunity to  
come in and discuss your  
child's learning journeys – a  
list will be going up in pre-  
school shortly.

Sessions run every morning  
from 9.00a.m until 12.00  
noon and a lunch-club  
operates three times per week  
on Tuesdays, Wednesdays  
and Thursdays. Breakfast  
club, for both pre-school and  
school children, starts at  
8.00a.m and places are  
available at very short notice.