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Pre School

Forest school ethos is firmly embedded into pre-school life and the next phase of our vision, the ReMida Room and exhibition area, is now well underway. The two rooms upstairs have been transformed into a resource centre that encourages children to become curious and explore all the weird and wonderful 'stuff' that makes up the hoard of natural, recyclable and reusable objects and materials on display. Some time ago, pre-school made a successful bid to participate in the local authority's Quality First project and was fortunate in acquiring funding to research children's creativity in a big way. Influenced by Reggio Emilia, an internationally renowned approach to early years education, pre-

school was able to buy in the services of a resident artist to work alongside the children and over the last few months Jane Thorniley-Walker has been very much involved in developing a project that allows pre-school to do this. The project would not be possible without all the 'stuff' that we have accumulated and I would like to thank everyone who has been collecting on our behalf. I do not use the word 'stuff' lightly to children, it is highly prized treasure and to early years practitioners, it is a valuable commodity that we would otherwise have to pay for. One of the important messages that we raise awareness about in pre-school concerns conservation in every sense of the word. You may think that this age-group is too young to learn about looking after the environment but our observations and listenings made us realise that

they know, and understand, far more than we give them credit for. As providers of quality early years education, this made us sit back and think ... hence the current project and local authority funding. However, the project is not yet complete and we need your help! Please, please consider what you regard as rubbish and, before throwing it into the bin, think about what it could be used for. We need bottle tops, corks, tin lids, cardboard boxes (large and small), fabric, wool, postage stamps and cotton reels to name just a few items. In fact, anything that provokes interest and curiosity. An open day is planned very soon so please keep an eye out for posters in and around the village but, if you are passing, and interested to find out what we mean by 'stuff', please feel free to pop in and have a look at our collections and some of children's work.

Osmotherley Silver Band

The Osmotherley Silver Jubilee Band is pleased to announce that Anne Abbott has agreed to be its President. Bandmaster Tim Alderson surprised Anne with the request at the annual Christmas carol evening and band members were delighted when she accepted.

"It is vital that our village band keeps in touch with the community and Anne will bring fresh thoughts and ideas for the future" said Tim.

The Band will be supporting the Summer Games and the Show but already there are some new plans for 2013, the Band's 36th year. Players new, old and of all abilities are always welcome on Wednesday nights, 7.30 at Oak Garth.

Any enquiries please contact Tim on 883668




HEALTH WITH HAWTHORN

Leti Hawthorn,
Advanced Exercise Specialist
Exercise classes continue until
15th March. Newcomers
always welcome. Aerobics,
Core & Stretch in the Village
Hall Mon 5-6pm, Thurs 7.30-
9pm; Moving Wisely and
Hawthorn Fusion in the
Quaker Meeting House Tues
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Parish Council

High volumes of Heavy Goods vehicles in and around Thimbleby are causing considerable damage to the roads and Highways have been asked to intervene to either control these vehicle movements or to construct sufficient passing places to prevent erosion of the verges. A planning application has been received to demolish the leaking dam at Upper Oakdale and if this goes ahead further heavy traffic will be forced onto narrow and unsuitable roads and tracks. There are safety issues here as work progresses—both for the dam, but also for the large numbers of walkers and users, as well as residents.

The Police report indicates that there have not been any crimes reported to them but all must remain vigilant and not become complacent.

When Osmotherley Area Parish Council met they heard at first hand that dog fouling is again escalating with owners deliberately flouting access to land as well as failing to clear up after their dogs. This is frequently seen in the fields off Cuddy Lane and it was suggested that photographic evidence will be the best way forward. New bye laws have been adopted by Yorkshire Water and make reference to the fact that owners should also clear up in the area of the Codbeck reservoir.

On this subject - a personal plea from a local resident:-

I walked my dog this morning as usual, from the steps at Back Lane to the start of the valley steps, I counted 45 piles of dog dirt (some bagged), those were just the obvious ones. No doubt there were more I didn't spot.

Apart from making walking along there hazardous, it gives a very poor impression to any visitors to the village. And why do some people think it is ok to bag it and leave it? Or even worse, throw it into the hedge or a tree !

Mothering Sunday March 10th

HEARTS AND FLOWERS St Peter's Osmotherley 10 30am

The annual Mothering Sunday service is rapidly becoming an integral part of the Osmotherley village calendar of events. This year's service will be held at St Peter's Church on Sunday March 10th. The theme will be 'Hearts and Flowers'

There will be lots of contributions from the children at Osmotherley Primary School including songs, art work and guitars. and, as part of an exciting addition to the service this year, Mr Sims (with the help of his pupils!) will be making a digital presentation.

As always, everyone in the community is welcome and there will be plenty of hearts and flowers for everyone to share. We look forward to seeing you all.

Osmotherley and District Garden Club

The AGM will be held in the Village Hall at 7.00pm on Tuesday 5th March followed by an illustrated talk by David Matthewman who trained at Kew. Light refreshments will be available between the two meetings, both of which visitors will be welcome to attend.

OSMOTHERLEY VILLAGE THEATRE

Rehearsals are now underway for our next production " SUDDENLY AT HOME", a thriller by Francis Durbridge. The dates of the play will be Wed 24th, Thurs 25th, and Fri 26th April and we look forward to welcoming you to live theatre in the village once again.

Osmotherley Conservative Association Dinner

Saturday 16th March at 7.30pm Osmotherley Village Hall

Tickets are available at £25 per person from Mike Read

Tel 01609 883525

Royal British Legion

A local branch of the British Legion has existed in the village since 1937 - part of the larger multi-national organisation which is the UK's leading ex-service charity. The Legion is responsible for the welfare support for all ex-service personnel and their families, ranging across all decades, wars and service - with help not even exclusive to members of the Legion.

The Legion currently spends £1.7M a week on welfare. Such support includes running 6 residential care homes, financial aid to help with home repairs, provision of mobility aids, welfare breaks and holidays, business loans to help ex-service personnel set up their own businesses, advice to bereaved families and increasingly fighting to secure pensions and compensation for service personnel - some £12M secured for the wounded from Afghanistan last year.

The Legion is also involved in some large projects to help the present generation of ex-service personnel. We are spending some £50M along with the MoD and other service charities establishing Personal Recovery Centres across the country to help the severely wounded to recovery. In addition we have established a £12M Battle Back Centre where wounded ex-servicemen and women can spend time re-adjusting to their new life and regain self-confidence principally through sport and adventurous activities (viz: "Walking with the Wounded").

The local branch is active on a monthly basis raising funds to support the national programme and last year we raised £2,000 for the Legion's local residential care home in Ripon, Lister House and a further £1,000 for the respite care home, Alderson House in Bridlington. In

addition we raised a very creditable £12,035 for the Poppy Appeal. So even as a little rural village branch we do our bit. In addition to our monthly meetings and bingo in the Queen Catherine, we hold other fund raising events, we have lunches, annual barbeque outings and take part in all the major village activities such as Summer Games and the Show.

We are extremely grateful to all villagers for their continued generous support and we are always looking for new members. You do NOT have to be an ex-serviceman or woman to join. Indeed at present 75% of our membership has no service background and only 3 out of 8 on our committee are ex-servicemen. All we ask is that you support the aims of the Legion. We encourage "new blood" and very much welcome new ideas. Come and join us!"

For details of the local branch, please contact David Black on 883193



For further information see our website or contact Laura 883096, Shona 883237, Chris 883518

Fri 15th March 2013

The Kid With A Bike

[2012] [Bel.]
Cert.12A 87mins
(French. Subtitled)

Eleven-year-old Cyril is in the care of social services having been abandoned by his feckless father. The boy refuses to accept that his father no longer wants him,

or to believe that he has sold his beloved bike. Samantha, a local hairdresser, befriends Cyril and manages to recover his bike. But after agreeing to foster the boy at weekends she struggles to keep Cyril from going off the rails.

"A simple, moving tale, beautifully told." – *Independent*

The Village Hall

Doors Open 7.30pm; Film Starts 8pm

Guests welcome (must be 16+ years of age). Guest fee (payable on the night) £5.

Friday 19th April 2013

****Members' Choice****

Have you voted??

Results announced at March Film

Top Shop

Meat -

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photographs.

Dates for your Diary

March

Sun 3rd 6:30pm Methodist Church, Holy Communion Service with Rev. Andy Bryer

Tues 5th 7.45pm Village Hall, Garden Club - 'Kew Through the Seasons' + AGM

Wed 6th 10.30am Friends' Meeting House, Osmotherley, Talk about the Society of Friends

Wed 6th 7:30pm Queen Catherine Hotel, Royal British Legion Monthly Meeting and Bingo

Sun 10th 10.30am St Peter's, United Mothering Sunday Service

Wed 13th 10.30am Friends' Meeting House, Talk by Mrs G Clayton 'What Easter means to us'

Fri 15th doors open 7.30pm Village Hall, Osmotherley Film 'Kid with a Bike'

Sat 16th 7.30pm Village Hall, Conservative Association Dinner

Sun 17th 6:30pm Methodist Church, Service led by Mrs Iris Smith (Worship Leader)

Sun 17th 3pm Friends' Meeting House, Monthly Meeting Worship

Sun 24th 6:30pm Methodist Church Psalm Sun Service led by Rev. Andy Bryer

Sun 31st 6:30pm Methodist Church Easter - Holy Communion Service - Rev. Robert Gee

Sat 16th 10am -12 noon Osmotherley Methodist Church, Coffee Morning

April

Tues 2nd 7.30pm Village Hall, Garden Club - 'Spring Perennials'

Wed 3rd 7:30pm Queen Catherine Hotel, Royal British Legion Monthly Meeting and Bingo

Sun 7th - 10.30am St Peter's, Opening Ceremony -of Improved Access

Wed 24th - Fri 26th Village Hall, Osmotherley Village Theatre 'Suddenly at Home'

Churches Together

Exciting news for

St Peter's

Many people will remember that last year we campaigned for the money to improve the access to St Peter's for those with impeded mobility. We are delighted to say the project has now been completed, and we are delighted that Dame Tanni Grey-Thompson, holder of multiple Olympic Gold medals, has agreed to perform the opening ceremony. This will take place on Sunday, 7th April, at 10.30am before a service of dedication and thanksgiving. We are delighted that she has agreed to visit us and we hope this will be a very happy and joyful occasion.

At the moment there is a lovely splash of blossom in the churchyard where the Garden Club have planted thousands of snowdrops as part of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations.

Three Lent talks have been arranged in Osmotherley. They will be held in the Friends' Meeting House, West End) at 10.30am.

The first is on Wednesday 27th February when Mr Guy Hinton will talk about his trek down the Via Francigena, the ancient pilgrim route from France to Rome. This 500 mile walk has been followed for 1000 years or more. This talk and the others will be followed by a cup of soup or coffee.

The second date is Wed 6th March when Ms Leti Hawthorne will speak about the Society of Friends or Quakers and their presence in Osmotherley. This is most appropriate as we meet in the 17th-century Meeting House.

On Wednesday 13th March Mrs Gill Clayton will lead a session on "What Easter means to us" in which we can explore the significance of Lent and Easter.

These three sessions are open to everyone and all who are interested will be most welcome. They are free but there may be a collection for the speakers' causes.

Churches Together always arrange an interesting pilgrimage in the summer - last year we had a fascinating day in Ampleforth. This year

will be very exciting as we plan to visit the wonderful exhibition in Durham where the Lindisfarne Gospels together with St Cuthbert's Gospel and other items from the golden age of the kingdom of Northumbria will be on show in a very rare visit to the north-east. The visit takes place on 14th July and a bus will take us to Durham in the early afternoon. We have booked tickets for the exhibition together with an explanatory talk. Tickets will cost £10 to cover the visit and the bus - please apply early (phone 883341)

Quakers in Osmotherley:

Monthly Meeting for Worship on Sunday 17th March at 3 pm in the Quaker Meeting House at 36 West End. Everyone is welcome and there is tea, coffee and home baking afterwards. Also there is space available for small groups to meet and for residential visits (25 beds). For more information please contact Leti Hawthorn on 883668