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Village Panto

Thurs, 18th December,
Village Hall, starting
6.30pm, doors open 5.30pm.

The Christmas Panto is back by popular demand! This year, 'Pocket Panto' will be staging 'Mother Goose', their perfectly

sized panto in the Village Hall.

This is a first-class, traditional pantomime on your door-step! In the rags-to-riches tale of lovable dames, villainous baddies and Priscilla the Goose, you will share fun, laughter and happy-ever-after

in this not to be missed Christmas event.

Tickets: £8, including Christmas treats and refreshments for everyone - including mulled wine for adults!

Book online at:
www.ruralarts.org.uk

Osmotherley fundraising weekend for Ebola

Three events will be taking place over the weekend of 12th-14th December to raise money for Ebola relief:

Safari Supper, Fri 12th

A fun evening, offering the chance to experience three-courses in mystery locations around the village! Directions given at 6.45pm from Church House and the evening should conclude in the village pubs (see below)! Guide price £15 - offers of a course gratefully accepted. (ticket deadline 6th Dec)

Moorland guided safari walk around Bronze Age works at Sheepwash - Sat 13th

Many areas around Sheepwash are little known even to locals and this walk will go off the regular tracks to explore Bronze Age and Neolithic remains as well as other environmental aspects of the area. The walk expands upon a popular event in 2012. Meet: 1.30pm at Sheepwash car parks; tickets £10 per family o.n.o.



Art for Christmas & Mosaic taster session - Sun 14th

A chance to try your hand at mosaic or just enjoy mince pies and coffee and visit the exhibition of new art, prints, and cards for sale. £10 for taster session, voluntary contributions for exhibition and refreshments. 10.00am at Black Hambleton Ho, 19 Back Ln

Contact Giles Pinkney (935), Sue Coward (373), Robert & Jane Thorniley-Walker (311) Money Donated to Disasters Emergency Committee (DEC) Ebola Crisis Appeal and Street Child (Sierra Leone)

Wassailing We Will Go - Led by our resident clarinetist, Peter Edmunds, the traditional annual village carol singing around the pubs will take place on **FRI 12th DEC**. The money raised will be donated to an established charity (to be decided).

Transport is arranged - please contact Bob Manners (883745), or Eileen Webb (883897) to book a place. Meet 8pm at the Queen Catherine. Looking forward to seeing you there!

CAROLS AROUND THE TREE - The Village Christmas Tree decked out in lights, Carols, Mulled Wine, Mince Pies, Tombola fun – what more could you ask for to get you into the festive spirit? This annual community festive occasion will take place on **MON 22nd DEC**, beginning at 6.30pm, around the Tree and in the Village Hall. Leave decking your halls for a night, wasail your way to the Village Hall and enjoy some fa la la's!



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Parish Council

The garden at the War Memorial has been replanted with a variety of perennial and annual plants with input from the Gardening Club and work by Northdale Horticulture. A commemorative and informative plaque has been sourced for The Pinfold and this is now in place for all to see. Also the garden within the structure has been tidied and will now be kept that way. Other work undertaken recently has included the removal of saplings and invasive weeds in the Cemetery and some tidying of the yew trees around the Churchyard.

Major works under consideration comprise a refurb of the Public Toilets which are looking rather shabby and are not to the standard of when the facility won many awards in years past. Members are aware that much of this work is also needed to make flooring safe and that hot water must be available. Other suggestions on the wish list is to install different items within the Play Area and also a refurb of the Bus Shelter, all of these are capital projects but it was decided at the meeting that the precept for 2015/16 should remain unchanged and that these works should be paid for from reserves.

Planning applications considered included one for an eco dwelling within woodland along Quarry Lane; it was deemed that this lies outwith permitted development limits and that it should therefore be rejected as being entirely unsuitable for the locality. Listed building applications which met with Members' approval included a division of a part of Home Farm, Thimbleby to form 2 dwellings and another was to extend a property on North End: both were considered suitable with the proviso that all materials to be used match the existing.

Osmotherley School - David Sims Headteacher

As the weather takes a turn for the worse it is with great pride that I see our teachers and support staff braving the cold and leading the children outside, all wrapped up, for some more outdoor learning. It is one of our main missions this academic year, to make the most of the beautiful place in which we live. We are taking outdoor learning very seriously and have undertaken a research project to look at the impact learning outside of the classroom has on our children and staff. Forest School has been something we have been passionate about for some years now and we are looking to build on this foundation with our own Osmotherley, Swainby and Potto approach.

Teachers have spent time reviewing the curriculum and ensuring all opportunities are taken for the enhancement of learning through this outdoor approach. It is clear, when observing these sessions, that children are stimulated by being outside. Exploring, investigating and problem solving are all brought to life when practical, exciting outdoor sessions are planned.

We now offer outdoor learning and Forest School approaches from Foundation Stage all the way through to Y6. Our oldest children are challenged to use the skills they have learned throughout their school life by planning and carrying out a micro adventure. Last year our Y5/6

children planned a 'wild camp' and slept outside without tents, cooking over fire pits and building shelters near Aireyholme Farm. Waking up at 5am to watch the sunrise over Roseberry Topping with nearly 30 children was the highlight of my career.

So if you see a group of Osmotherley and Swainby and Potto children out and about in the countryside, you should witness children with respect and reverence for the natural world. If you would like to know more about our outdoor approach to education, or feel you have a skillset that could be beneficial to the schools, please do get in touch.

David Sims, Headteacher

Osmotherley Clockwinders

The clock has been going for well over a hundred years, wound each week by hand. We are trying to assemble a record of those who have wound it; if you know of anyone who has been a regular or occasional winder, can you please contact Hugh Thompson, 883479, hughandveda@gmail.com with a) Their name b) Approximate dates when they were doing it, and they'll be added to the plaque recording their names.

Library Services

The Supermobile library visits Osmotherley (Oswaldene Estate) on Thurs once a fortnight from 10am-12.00 . Come and check out our wide range of adult and children's books in ordinary and large print, audio books and DVDs, and use our laptops for free internet access. Joining the library is

free, quick and easy – and if you pay us a visit during January or February 2015, you can claim a free loan of a DVD or audio book!

The Home Library and information Service is a free service delivered by volunteers through North Yorkshire Libraries, for those unable to visit the library or

carry books due to ill health or disability. Books (including large print and audio books) are brought to your home once a fortnight – details on www.northyorks.gov.uk.

For further info contact Laura Dinning on 01609 534812 or email laura.dinning@northyorks.gov.uk

Community Coffee Morning

Thank you to all those who supported our Nov Coffee Morning. Your generous donations raised £75 for each of our chosen charities - The Poppy Appeal and Jennyruth Workshops Sister Lilly who died in Oct was well known to many people in our community. She was also the oldest person to attend our Community Coffee Morning, when she joined us last year aged 100 years. Sister Lilly dedicated her life to caring for homeless animals and last year she won an Animal Hero Award for her work in

helping re-home pets in North Yorkshire. Her passion for helping animals meant she became heavily involved in setting up the Jerry Green Centre for cats and dogs at Catton near Thirsk. At our Community Coffee morning in Dec, we will remember Sister Lilly by making donations to both The Sister Lilly Animal Foundation and the Scanner Appeal at the Friarage Hospital.

Thank you to everyone who supported the first Community Soup Lunch - we raised £200 towards the Osmotherley Community Bus

Appeal. You also supported The Dales School who supplied the scones and The Grange Project at Kirklevington Prison who supplied the bread. Both scones and bread were made fresh on the day and were a very welcome addition to the range of soups — thank you soup makers! Future dates for coffee mornings and soup lunches are overleaf. We wish everyone from our members to the village at large, an enjoyable Dec and Jan (including a Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year when the time comes).



Membership information, contact 883237, 883518 ,883096, or email: osmotherleyfilm@yahoo.co.uk

Let our film evenings carry you through the winter chill! Join us for a journey to the warmth of India in Dec and then the Deep South USA in Jan

lunchbox delivery system connects a young housewife to an older man in the dusk of his life as they build a fantasy world together through the notes in a lunchbox.

black domestic maids as they live through segregation. It is a story built on the relationship between writer Eugenia 'Skeeter' Phelan and maids Aibeleen Clark and Minny Jackson; with one relating the tales of the others. Eye-opening; fascinating; moving; touched with humour. Doors open 7.30pm for 8pm start.

Fri 19th Dec

The Lunchbox

[2013] Cert. PG 104mins (subtitled)

A mistaken delivery in Mumbai's famously efficient

Fri 16th Jan 2015

The Help

[2011] Cert. 12A 146mins

A film set in the Civil Rights era US, providing a window on to the world experienced by

NEVILLE'S ISLAND - Another resounding success for Osmotherley Village Theatre. Osmotherley audiences thoroughly enjoyed this latest production by Tim Firth playing to a packed house for 3 nights. The play - about four middle managers sent away for a team-building weekend, had demanding parts for the four actors, but they all performed outstandingly, with well-judged interpretations of their respective dysfunctional characters. For full review go to www.osmotherley.org.uk/ovt-nevilles-island-review/



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Dates for your Diary

Dec

Wed 3rd - 6.45pm - Queen Catherine Hotel. Royal British Legion Monthly Meeting and bingo, Xmas Edition with Buffet. Contact Maureen Downey (883089)

Sun 7th - 6.30pm - Osmotherley Methodist Church, Preacher Rev. A Bryer

Tues 9th - 9-11.30am - St Peter's Christmas Community Coffee Morning: Remembering Sister Lilly

Fri 12th-Sun 14th – various times and venues - fundraising event for Ebola

Fri 12th – 8pm meet at Queen Catherine - Wassailing round the pubs

Sun 14th - 6.30pm - Osmotherley Methodist church, Carol Service, Preacher Mrs K Walker of Carlton Minnot. Refreshments to follow. All are welcome.

Wed 17th - 12 noon-2pm - St Peter's Church Christmas Community Soup Lunch

Thurs 18th - 6.30pm Village Hall – Christmas Panto ‘Mother Goose’

Fri 19th - 8pm - Village Hall - Osmotherley Film ‘The Lunchbox’

Mon 22nd – 6.30pm- Village Hall Carols round the Tree

Jan

Tues 13th - 9-11am - St Peter's Community Coffee Morning

Fri 16th - 8pm Village Hall - Osmotherley Film ‘The Help’

Wed 21st - 12 noon-2pm - St Peter's Community Soup Lunch

Feb.

Wed 4th - 7.30pm - Queen Catherine Hotel Royal British Legion Monthly Meeting and Bingo

Launch of Community Awards for 2015

Hambleton residents are being urged to enter their unsung heroes for the 2015 Hambleton Community Awards. The awards were launched this year to recognise and celebrate the exceptional contribution to the district made by countless residents - young and old. The District Council scheme – which will culminate in a prize giving ceremony next March – covers everything from Community Group of the Year to Citizen of the Year. “We want to reward the positive - and often unnoticed - voluntary work undertaken by our residents

who all work hard to ensure their communities are a nice place to live,” said Councillor Mrs Bridget Fortune, Portfolio Holder for Customer and Leisure Services. “These individuals and groups work tirelessly for no pay, to provide excellent services, projects and experiences for their communities. The awards will allow us to give them the praise they so richly deserve. Please don't be afraid to nominate a project, organisation or individual who you think is worthy of recognition, even if they were nominated last year.” Nominations are open in ten

categories see <http://www.hambleton.gov.uk/communityawards> for details. Any individual, group or organisation (public, private or voluntary sector) can make a nomination. Forms are available at <http://www.hambleton.gov.uk/community-awards-nomination-form>, any Hambleton District Council Leisure Centre or from the council offices in Northallerton, Easingwold or Stokesley. Alternatively contact Kate Staines or Lisa Wilson 01609 767203 / 01609 767149 The closing date for nominations is Jan 9th, 2015

OSMOTHERLEY QUAKER MEETING,

36 WEST END Weekly Meeting for Worship takes place every Tuesday evening from 6.30-7.30 pm
Monthly Meeting for Worship –Sunday 21st December from 3-4 pm followed by a festive tea. Our first Sunday Meeting of 2015 will be on 18th January 3-4 pm. All welcome. Contact Leti for more information (883668 or osyquaker@gmail.com) Find us on Facebook: Osmotherley Quaker Meeting House

50' CLUB – Nov lucky winner – Pat Collier.

If you wish to join to make this a 100 club - contact Maureen Downey on 883089 or Frances Dutton on 883936