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Osmotherley Area Messenger

Osmotherley Community Group One Hundred Challenge
St Peter's Church Wednesday May 5th 2pm - 4pm

The family of Captain Sir Tom Moore has invited individuals and groups to take part in a 100 challenge to raise funds for local organisations and charities. Osmotherley Community Group will be making 100 bags for collection, containing freshly made fruit scone, jam, butter and clotted cream. A tea bag and biscuit will also be included to make your afternoon tea break a real celebration.

There will be a recommended £3 donation which will be shared between St Peter's Church and our local Mencap Group based in Northallerton.

To ensure fair distribution, there will be a limit of 2 bags per person. The bags will be prepared in a COVID-secure way and will be available for collection from St Peter's Church on May 5th between 2pm and 4pm. When collecting, please observe social distancing and wear a face covering. There is a hand sanitiser station at the church entrance and a one way system will be in place along with track and trace.

Cashless donations can be made via our new card machine and for those who prefer, there will also be a traditional donations box.

PLEASE SUPPORT US IN OUR ONE HUNDRED CHALLENGE

Summer Games

A Summer Games afternoon fair is being planned for **Saturday 3rd July**, between 1pm to 5pm. The event is being organised by the Summer Games committee (your neighbours and friends) to raise money for Osmotherley Village Hall. The Summer Games is planned to include the usual much-loved attractions: children's sports; children's fancy dress; raffle; crash the crock; tea and cakes; tombola; live music; welly hoing. The event is an opportunity for the village to have some community fun and raise money for an important cause. Let us hope the current reduction in COVID casualties and lifting of restrictions continues at pace and enables us to go ahead.

Pre-School Report

I am pleased to report that pre-school numbers are extremely healthy. Currently, we have seventeen children on roll and four children on the waiting list. All the children have taken the stringent measures we have in place to minimize transmission in their stride and having temperatures taken upon arrival is part of their everyday routine. They have also become very competent handwashers and the majority can say "coronavirus" very clearly!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Michelle Waldron who organized an army of knitters for our recent Easter chick fundraiser. A fantastic total of £594 was raised that will help to fund some outdoor refurbishments we have planned. Details of a further fundraising event will be announced soon.



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Parish Council Meeting 15th April 2021

For the final time, hopefully, the council met remotely to a full attendance with two residents attending as observers.

The Chairman confirmed that the bollards on North End have still not been replaced and the Clerk was asked to chase this up with Highways. The issues raised by two residents at the last meeting had been followed up with the necessary authorities. The police and parking authorities have continued to patrol Sheepwash and the reservoir and the matrix sign has been a welcome addition warning potential visitors of fines for illegal parking. Police are warning residents to be vigilant for scam phone calls in relation to their national insurance number after the force received a number of reports.

The foot bridge at Boghole has been taken out of action by NYCC and signs erected as a warning.

The refurbishment project of the village public toilets has stalled due to a lack of funding to undertake the original plans. It has been necessary to draw up revised plans, to reduce costs, which will be shared with the council.

The letter sent to our MP Rishi Sunak, has been replied to by the Chief Executive of North York Moors outlining that he is aware of the issues and will work with us to help solve them where possible. Officers from Hambleton will walk around the village to look at the car park sites identified in their report of 2020 by the end of April.

A resident shared a plan to erect of rose arch to a listed building and the Clerk was asked to inform them that they should enquire with the Planning Authority, NYM, to ensure compliance.

There were four planning applications received for consideration and all were supported.

The final bank reconciliation of the financial year was presented by the Clerk, alongside the final, internally audited, accounts of 2020/21. The variations between this year and last were expanded upon by the Clerk and the accounts were approved. They will now be presented to the external auditors, appointed by government, in due course.

The current Chairman, Martyn Stafford will be standing down as Chairman at the next meeting and AGM of the Council, after completing his two year term plus an additional year due to COVID.

The next meeting will be held, socially distanced, in the Village Hall on the 20th May 2021. For more information contact John Robinson, Clerk to the Parish

Osmotherley and District Garden Club

Don't miss the Annual Plant Sale!

Saturday 29th May 11.00-1.30pm, Osmotherley School Playground.

Due to COVID restrictions the Annual Plant Sale will take a different form this year. It will be held outside - don't forget your broly, just in case! - and instead of Garden Club pricing the plants, 'shoppers' will make donations for their purchases. In order to keep proceedings as COVID-secure as possible we will not be able to give change nor provide bags, so please bring plenty of cash and have the means to take your purchases home! Hand sanitisers will be available and appropriate social distancing and mask-wearing will be encouraged at all times. Donations of plants to sell will be welcomed on the day between 9.30-10.30am. Please bring to the school gate entrance. If you are unable to transport donations please contact ossygar-denclubsec@gmail.com or 883451 before the day and we may be able to organise transport for them. **NB 10% of takings will be donated to the "At Your Gate" chosen charity, Macmillan (see page 4 for more information).**

Art in the Shed returns!

When: Bank holiday weekend, Sat 29th – Mon 31st May. Open hours:10am-4pm
Where: Garden studio, 19 Back Lane, Osmotherley

This year Art in the Shed will be teaming up with the Midsummer Village Festival fundraiser to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support, as a 'prequel' to the events in June. We will be opening our doors (and windows) for a fully ventilated, Covid-safe exhibition of local affordable art, including mosaic, oil painting, pastels, print and more. Ten per cent of any art sales will go towards the Macmillan fundraiser. Refreshments will also be available in a garden setting, with all proceeds going towards the charity.

If you would like to submit any original artwork or crafts for inclusion in the exhibition, please get in touch. All enquiries must be received before the middle of May. Contact: Jane and Robert Thorniley-Walker, tel. 883311.



The Month of May at St Peter's

As restrictions ease, St Peter's is hoping to sustain a gradual return to a more regular pattern of worship, so the following will be held in May:

Sundays May 2nd and 16th: Private Prayer and Reflection from 2-4pm
Sunday May 9th: Morning Worship at 10.45am

SUNDAY MAY 23rd: Whitsuntide - an ecumenical celebration at 10.45am
Plans are in hand to re capture some of the traditional practices associated with Whitsuntide - the birthday of the Church. In the past, communities engaged in a Whit walk, participants often wearing something white to celebrate the occasion.
Nearer the time, look out for final details via the usual village communication channels.

Sunday May 30th (fifth Sunday): Benefice Communion Service 10.45am

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Dates for your Diary May

Sun 2nd and 16th Private Prayer and Reflection, St Peter's Church 2-4pm

Weds 5th One Hundred Challenge, St Peter's Church 2-4pm

Sun 9th Morning Worship, St Peter's Church 10.45am

Thurs 20 Village Hall, Parish Council Meeting 7pm

Sun 23rd Whitsuntide Celebration, St Peter's Church 10.45am

Sat 29th Gardening Club Annual Plant Sale, Osmotherley School Playground 11am-1.30pm

Sat 29th -Mon 31st Art in the Shed, Back Lane 10-4pm

Sun 30th Benefice Communion Service, St Peter's Church 10.45am

Sun 30th "At Your Gate" Festival Guide/Programme Deadline

"At Your Gate"

Osmotherley Midsummer Festival 18-20 June

Thank you to everyone who has already sent me information about homemade goods that will be available at your gate. Full details of the Festival Weekend, along with ideas for decorating your gate or door will be included in the June Messenger.

The deadline for receiving information to ensure inclusion in our Festival Guide/Programme is Sunday 30th May.

Please send your information to Eileen at eileen.bellett@btinternet.com or ring on 883550 and leave a message on the answer machine.

We hope everyone will get involved in this village celebration which will hopefully 'open the door' to renewed hope for summer and beyond.

The Osmotherley School Q and A: Ralph age 11

1. How long have you been coming to pre-school/school in Osmotherley? What is your earliest memory of the village? 9 years. Asking someone at Pre-school when my Mum was picking me up.
2. Tell us something about yourself, perhaps something which most people don't know? When I was two, I had a seizure.
3. Do you have a favourite walk, view of place in the village or surrounding area? I like it where the fields stop and the moors start.
4. What would your friends say is your best quality? I am funny and I'm good at drawing.
5. What is the one thing which instantly makes your day better? When I see my puppy.
6. What do you value most about Osmotherley? The people at school with me.
7. Who or what makes you laugh? My friends.
8. If you could learn something new, what would it be? How to sculpt.
9. Where is your favourite place in the world? Norway - I like desolate places.
10. What is your most treasured possession? My puppy

Quick fire round:

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| 11. Dog or cat? Dog | 16. Night or day? Night |
| 12. Roller skates or pogo stick? Roller skates | 17. Book or film? Film |
| 13. Birthday or Christmas? Christmas | 18. Inside or outside? Inside |
| 14. Are you a washing line or kite string? Washing line | 19. Spring or Autumn? Autumn |
| 15. Mountains or ocean? Mountains | 20. Northallerton or Stokesley? Stokesley |

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Articles for June issue by Friday 21st May please.