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Osmotherley Pre-school



Following the Extraordinary General Meeting held on 22nd June 2023, five new trustees were appointed to the Pre-School Committee:

Lizzie James, Lizzy Brown, Matt Brown, Anna Ramshay & Beth Bilby

Osmotherley Pre-school is an award-winning, “outstanding” setting that offers flexibility, excellent resources and wonderful staff. It caters for children aged 2-4 providing fantastic outdoor learning activities and learning through play. The pre-school is an integral part of the village and wider community and offers a smooth transition to children attending Osmotherley School. The new committee intends to continue running the pre-school with close links to the school and the same commitment to early years education.

To continue with the success of the pre-school, we need your help!

Pre-school needs funds and children to continue to operate. We will be organising fundraising events over the next few months and would be grateful for the village's support.

Watch this space for details of upcoming events.

If you would like any further information or you can assist us with fundraising please contact one of the committee members.

Pre-school Committee

Summer Games 2023

The Village Hall Committee have kindly agreed that money raised at Osmotherley Summer Games 2023 should be donated to Osmotherley Pre-School to enable this valuable part of village life to continue. Please support this great cause by buying raffle tickets and joining us on the day.

Mike and Heather Rowe

Jazz Train - Thank You

I would like to extend a very big thank to everyone who supported the Jazz Train, especially all those who gave their time, donations and gifts for the auction and raffle. Although we have not got the final figure yet, I can say that the event was a big success and we will have made over £3500 for Macmillan Cancer Support. Thank you to everybody.

Peter Edmonds



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CLASSES

Osmotherley Village Hall

Tuesday 6-7pm

Thursday 2-3pm

Thursday 5.45-7pm

Thursday 7-8pm (men only)

Catholic Church N'allerton

Tuesday 10.30-11.30am

Butterflies Dance Studio

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Osmotherley Area Parish Council

Parish Council Meeting Thursday 15th June 2023

The council met and discussed the recent events and ongoing issues in the area.

The Clerk updated the council on some residents' concerns that the fireworks display may have on the wildlife, livestock and pets in the village. The council felt that little more could be achieved beyond the reporting of these to the relevant authorities, which had been done. Should residents have concerns on the night they should contact the police and further information can be found on the website <https://fireworkcampaign.com/the-law/>

Concerns over parked cars on the village green near Robin Hill on North End were discussed and the council will look at ways to stop this happening.

The police attended the meeting and advised residents to be vigilant regarding anti social behaviour at Cod Beck and any concerns should be reported to the police.

The recent fly tipping at Bog Hole was discussed and reported that this was due to be cleared up very shortly by North Yorkshire Council Waste Collection.

The work done by Michael and Dora Davies and Michelle Wood to maintain the war memorial area for many years has unfortunately come to an end. The council, on behalf of the village, would like to thank them for their great work over the years. It is hoped that others would come forward to help in the future. Residents in the area near to the war memorial are encouraged to water the plants in dry spells should this be possible.

The council asked an expert to survey the condition of the trees owned by the PC on the greens, graveyard and cemetery. This report was received by the council and a small amount of work is required to ensure these remain healthy. Village grasscutting concerns were raised and discussed as to whether more areas could be left uncut for longer. As we are well into the season it was felt that this issue should be revisited next year. Two planning applications were received, discussed and supported.

The future use of the Methodist Church was discussed following a request from the church. Further information was requested but should any residents have any thoughts regarding future use, please contact the Clerk.

The next meeting is on Thursday 20th July 2023 at 7:30pm in the Village Hall.

Any issues or comment please email the Clerk at clerk.osmotherleyareapc@gmail.com

John Robinson

Clerk to the Parish Council

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Annual Assumption Pilgrimage

This year the Annual Assumption Pilgrimage up to the Lady Chapel will be held on Sunday 13th August when people from around the Diocese of Middlesbrough and beyond will gather together at the Lady Chapel.

The Diocese would like to take this opportunity to thank village residents for their kindness, generous support and patience given by local people whose lives can be disrupted at this time. Every effort will be made to minimise the disruption caused.

Yours sincerely,

Very Rev Mgr. Canon Robinson Vicar General



OWLS - St Peters Church Tuesday July 11th at 2.30 pm A talk about the work of Helping Hearts charity which supports Ukrainian refugees in Northallerton.

Osmotherley and District Garden Club forthcoming events:

Saturday 1st July we are running the Garden Club stall at Summer Games. Donations of plants and produce and offers of help gratefully received. Donations should be brought to the stall before 12.30 on the day.

Sunday 2nd July. Annual BBQ (members only)

Wednesday 5th July Visit to Thornton Hall Gardens.

Please contact ossygardenclubsec@gmail.com for further details about any of the above

Osmotherley Community Group

Osmotherley Community Group: end of 2022/23 season report

June was a busy month. Our final 'Tuesdays Together' was very well attended and provided a fitting end to our weekly gatherings. Our thanks go to all our volunteers who have contributed to the provision and serving of refreshments and also to our resident musician Peter Edmonds whose music gives these occasions such a pleasant relaxing atmosphere.

A Strawberry Afternoon Tea was held on June 13th to be followed by the official opening of our new Quiet Area as part of a Community Service on June 25th. Located in the South Aisle of St Peter's Church, The Quiet Area offers an opportunity to 'sit awhile and enjoy the silence' and will be open daily to all residents and visitors. There is also a quiet area for parents and children - there are books, soft toys, opportunities to draw and even a set of quiet bricks!

Your Donations

This season we have supported Macmillan, and Northdale. We have also donated some of our recipe books to 'Helping Heart Ukraine'. The books have not only supported culinary skills, but also assisted in language development.

After covering all central costs and finalising the 2022/23 accounts, we hope to make a further 'end of year' donation to a local charity - details in the next issue of The Messenger.

Thank you to everyone for your continued support.

INSECT CRISIS (part 2)

In the June Messenger, I described how the loss of insects would have an impact on the future of the world and the feeding of its population. The rapid decline of insect numbers in recent years has been caused by man, directly by destroying habitats and indirectly through global warming. But it is not too late to do something.

Let's focus on what Osmotherley residents could do:

1. Raise awareness of the problem. Talk to friends about insects. Change attitudes.
2. Put pressure on our MP to extend his own environmental conscience and thinking.
3. Make the government aware of the role of insects; put pressure on DEFRA and its partners Natural England and The Environment Agency to set targets for species abundance and to take action to achieve these targets.
4. Ask North Yorkshire Council and North York Moors National Park to update their biodiversity action plans. Find out what has been done, what resources are available and what is next to be done.
5. Speak to farmers and landowners about the need to maintain a high level of food production at the same time as bringing wildlife back into the landscape. Some are already committed to these aims, others need to be encouraged. Ask them to leave areas of land and manage these as re-wilding, to plant and maintain healthy hedgerows, to leave spaces at the edge of fields, to preserve ditches, banks and damp areas and to minimise the application of artificial fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides
6. Promote the preservation of healthy roadside verges and village spaces. These are some of the last refuges of wild flowers in this country. Ask the County Council and Parish Council to reduce their grass cutting to essential sites. Does the churchyard grass need to be cut? (other churches in the county don't cut and allow grasses and wild flowers to flourish).
7. In your own garden, don't be too tidy. Remember that insects thrive near water, in long grass, in sheltered sites such as under hedges and undisturbed wild areas of leaves, garden waste and compost.
8. Reduce your mowing, leave some of the grass to grow longer, stop using herbicides and appreciate daisies, dandelions and clover, leave some weeds for the insects.
9. Give insects a helping hand. Grow a mix of pollinator-friendly and nectar-rich plants throughout the year to attract butterflies, bees and hoverflies. Birds and bats will benefit too from a wider range of plants which bring with them more insects.
10. What you eat will promote insects! Buy locally produced fruit and vegetables in season.
11. Think yourself fortunate if you have a wild bees or wasps nest near you. Leave them alone and they will reward you.
12. Become engaged. With articles in recent Messengers on swifts, wild flowers and now insects, plus the dedicated work done to protect toads and the need to protect bats, would you want to be an active member of a wild-life group in the village?



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Dates for your Diary

July

Sat 1st - From 12pm - Osmotherley Games Day.

Sun 2nd - 10-12noon - Help clear up after games day.

Sun 2nd - Garden Club annual BBQ (members only).

Wed 5th - Garden Club visit to Thornton Hall Gardens.

Tue 11th - 2.30 pm - Talk about Helping Hands Charity, St Peter's.

Thu 13th - 10am-12noon - Mobile Library, Oswaldene estate.

Thu 20th - 7.30 pm - Parish Council Meeting - Village Hall.

August

Sat 5th - 113th Osmotherley Show, Home Farm, Thimbleby.

Thu 10th - 10am-12noon - Mobile Library, Oswaldene estate.

Sat 13th - Annual Assumption Pilgrimage, Lady Chapel.



Last month's film evening brought our current season to a conclusion. An enjoyable evening had by all. (always our aim!).

As with each season, it's been a journey through a wonderful array of film - film to delight, to challenge, to enjoy. That's what it's about!

A thank you to our members and audiences - your support makes what we do possible. We hope you have enjoyed season 2022-23!

The other part of the equation: the film crew - all members of our community who give their time to come together to plan and deliver the season and its film evenings. Thank you to them for their work and enthusiasm.

Osmotherley Film now takes a summer break. There's plenty of great film lined up as we look forward. It makes the prospect of a new season quite exciting!

Importantly...to be able to produce a film season in the style we'd like, we need a full strength film crew. Interested in joining us? Would you like to be part of keeping us successful? Want to get involved in the community? Please get in touch. Team work, enthusiasm, enjoyment of film - that's what it's about (p.s. you don't need to be a film guru!). We're a friendly bunch. email us at osmotherleyfilm@gmail.com; tel 07971 863332.

Behind the scenes, the work in planning a new season will take place shortly. It's the time to get involved!

New season news will come at the end of the summer. In the meantime, wishing everyone an enjoyable summer.

113th Osmotherley Show

Saturday 5th August 2023 at Home Farm, Thimbleby.

www.osmotherleyshow.co.uk

Mobile Library

Dates for the mobile library are as follows:

Thurs 13th July, Thurs 10th August. 10am to 12 noon. The library stops at the entrance to the Oswaldene estate.

Village Hall Bookings

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