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#### Midday - Sunday 17th April 2022

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Welcome back to your favourite local magazine, and it's a fantastic edition yet again!

We have a great month of events on show, local news and all your usual favourites too, you lucky lucky people! So, you know the drill, grab a cuppa, a slice of cake and make them both large ones as it's a whopping 56 pages this month! Settle down into your comfiest chair and read away, go on, you know you want to.

First off...O.M.G. What an absolute belter of a front cover! We have to give humongous thanks to local artist Mahayla Clayton for our stunning front cover this month, we pride ourselves on our standout covers and this one is absolutely beautiful. Read more about Mahayla and her local business 'Geo-Wild Designs' on page 24 (you may have seen her Greeting Cards in the Spar shop...if not, go and have a look, they are stunners!)

One BIG piece of news can be found on Page 7, the fabulous Vicky Wilkinson Glass has moved to Caythorpe! Read all about it and then get yourself along to The Corner Shop on South Parade for some fantastic and very unique glassware. Welcome to Caythorpe, we wish you all the very best with your new shop!

\*\*\*STOP PRESS\*\*\* News just in on deadline day! (It's non stop here sometimes) The PGL Open Day is returning!!! Go to page 15 for more details!

Like us, I'm sure you have been appalled by the Invasion of Ukraine, the senseless waste of life to fulfil the maniacal whims of one man, while we hope for peace talks to progress and a cease fire to start as soon as possible, people are still fleeing their homes in their millions. This obviously creates a humanitarian crisis at the border which the world has responded to, but if you want to find out how you too can help, please see page 51. Let's hope and pray that by time we are writing this Editorial again that peace, or at least a cease fire, has broken out.

Onto more local news, and the Jubilee Celebration planning is going full steam ahead and there is plenty of information on this in the Parish Council Section starting on page 34, which is a chunky 5 pages this month, only beaten by the 8 pages of Local Events! We know that life has started returning to normal once more when the Local Events pages start filling up again, keep sending them in and we will keep making sure they reach all our readers in good time.

Until next time, take care... Laura & Pete

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# The Committee who can't Contain their Excitement!

As some of you may have seen, the Playing Field now has the benefit of increased facilities for the storage of football related equipment! This has freed up space within the changing rooms where this equipment was previously stored, and created facilities that are easier to access, and nearer to the point of use. It also prevents damage being caused to the Pavillion whilst bringing equipment in and out.

Following the preparation of drawings by the playing Field Committee, an application was made to South Kesteven District Council for planning permission. This was duly granted and quotations were sought for two new (one trip) storage containers.

A base on which to site the containers was created with the area behind the wall to the basketball court, excavated, and the surplus soil spread and levelled over depressions in the field in the North East corner. This will be seeded once the growing season is upon us. A stone base was then laid, compacted and levelled ready for the new containers. All of this work was carried out free of charge to the village by Peter Sowerby using his team of machines and workmen. We wish to publicly thank him for his assistance in this.

Two containers were then sourced and purchased, and arrangements made to offload them and place them in position.. The containers were offloaded using an all terrain forklift kindly provided free of charge, by Richard Rainthorpe of Rainthorpe Transport. Unfortunately the delivery date was preceded by Storm Eunice so the ground was quite soft, resulting in some difficulty in placing the containers in position and some disturbance to the surface of the playing field. This will be filled and reseeded in the near future.

A quantity of bare rooted hawthorn hedging has been ordered to plant around the containers to provide a visual screen, prevent noise nuisance by the kicking of balls against the sides of the containers, and to provide a wildlife refuge area and carbon sink.

The funding of the work (that was not covered by the sponsorship of Peter Sowerby and Richard Rainthorpe) has been achieved with the aid of a 75% grant obtained from the Football Foundation, with the balance being funded by the Playing Field Committee.

This project has provided a good solution to the problem of storage of equipment and it is fantastic to see the support that local businesses have provided to our community.

On behalf of the Playing Field Committee - thank you to all involved!!



# Vicky Wilkinson Glass is coming to Caythorpe

This spring, Caythorpe is welcoming a brand new shop and workshop space run by local glass artist Vicky Wilkinson.

Vicky, formally at The Manor Stables, Fulbeck is excited to be opening at The Corner, South Parade, this April, where you can peruse her collection of statement jewellery, light sculptures, lamp shades, platters and much more. Get inspired and add a little light to your space, or to your outfit with handmade glass jewels that capture intersections of colours with subtle highlights and shadows between the layers.

At the studio, visitors will also see her hosting Kiln Formed glass workshops for people of all levels of experience, perfect for complete beginners! Visitors can explore the magic of creating a range of their own glass pieces. Projects include light catchers, bowls, coasters and lanterns - with options for a half day taster sessions or full day courses.

Vicky specialises in Kiln Formed glass pieces with an ethereal feel, and has taught as a specialist glass tutor at colleges, schools, and in her studio for many years.

Hand painted and printed cards and gift wrap will also be on sale to complete your gifting needs

Come and celebrate with Vicky at the Grand Opening Weekend with refreshments and cake!



Grand Opening 9th & 10th April. 10.30 - 4.30



April 2022

# Carlton Scroop & Normanton On Cliffe Social Club



# Saturday 2nd April 2022 **Eyes down at 8pm** There will be a socially distanced area

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# Children's Cricket at Caythorpe

The ECB introduced a new scheme five years ago to encourage boys and girls age 5 to 8 years to take up cricket and Caythorpe was one of the first centres to take part. We will again be offering a course at Caythorpe on Friday evenings between 4:30pm and 5:30pm beginning on 13th May. Full details and booking can be found at http://www.ecb.co.uk/play/all-stars

For older players, we have teams at all levels up to age 15. Under 9 use plastic bats to play softball.

Pads, gloves and helmets can be provided for beginners at Under 10. Both boys and girls are welcome to come along; girls are allowed to play up to two years down, so Y6 girls can still play softball with the under 9's.

Training is on Fridays at 6:15pm beginning on 22nd April this year.

For further information on both these programmes ring Moira on 01400 272145

Moira Cree - All Stars Activator and Under 9 Manager, Caythorpe Cricket Club



# **CAYTHORPE SHORT MAT BOWLS CLUB**

Indoor Bowling Sessions - Tuesday Afternoon 2pm — 4pm at CAYTHORPE VILLAGE HALL

POST COVID...We are a small group but would welcome new members, even if you have never held a bowl before. With expert tuition and use of bowls available for newbies this is a great opportunity to give the game a go. This is a small sociable club with a warm welcome, offering gentle exercise and friendship. Why not come along and see for yourself?

#### NEW for 2022!!

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EVENINGS FROM 7PM TO 9PM?

We have received an enquiry as to the possibility of setting up indoor short mat bowling sessions on Tuesday evenings. Viability will depend on the number of people who would like to bowl (either men or ladies new to the sport or experienced players would be welcome). Initially we are inviting expression of interest — if you would like to join in, please email <a href="mailto:moira.weller@yahoo.com">moira.weller@yahoo.com</a>. Once we gauge the level of interest, we will organise a taster session for people to attend. Equipment and tuition will be available from club members (if required), but it is hoped that the evening sessions will provide an opportunity for more experienced players to develop their game as well as being part of a well-supported village club. For more details, or to register YOUR INTEREST, please call either Bob or Moira on the above numbers.

For further details or information please call Bob on 01400 273873 or Moira on 01400 273402 or email <a href="moira.weller@yahoo.com">moira.weller@yahoo.com</a>

# The WI Craft Club

Wednesday 6th April, 2:00pm - 4:00pm

@ The Hammond Pavilion, Caythorpe

£2 per person to include refreshments

All Welcome, not just WI Members



# Caythorpe Children's Centre

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# Carlton-le-Moorland and District Art Group

We are a friendly and informal group who meet on Thursdays between 10am and 1pm at the Village Hall, Carlton le Moorland, LN5 9HX

New members of any ability are very welcome, call 01522 810739

Saturday 2nd April

Acrylic workshop with Paul Talbot-Greaves from 10am-4pm

Saturday 14th May

Workshop with Gwen Scott "Watercolour Flowers" 10am- 4pm

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#### St Vincent's Church Prayer Group

Prayer is at the centre of all that we do at \$t Vincent's. We believe that all we accomplish comes about not because of us but because of God.

Prayer transforms us; it enables us to become more the people God created us to be, and so draws us to share in God's creative and compassionate work in the world.

We believe that we are called to be persistent in prayer, both for ourselves, those in need, our community and the world.

The church is open every day if you would like to find a quiet space and a time to pray or you are most welcome to join us in Church on Monday's the 11th & 25th April at 2pm.

Specific prayer requests can be left in the box by the votive candle stand – you may like to light a candle as a focus for the prayer you offer. You can also send your prayers to

loveden.deanery@lincoln.anglican.org marking them St Vincent's Prayer Group

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# LEADENHAM ART GROUP HAS REOPENED



WHEN: MONDAYS 10:30am - 2:00pm

WHERE: LEADENHAM VILLAGE HALL

COST: £6 PER SESSION including light refreshments

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For further information call Jackie on 01400 272944 or Jean on 01400 275052 or come along to one of our sessions to see what we do LINCOLN CHORAL SOCIETY
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# St. Vincent's Charity Coffee Morning

A wonderful turn-out for the St. Vincent's Charity Coffee Morning, despite the weather!

All proceeds went to the DEC for Ukraine, which means that our £500+ raised will be turned into over a thousand! Thank you to all those who came to support us and all who kindly donated cakes. Judith Scott



# Roll Up, Roll Up for Leadenham Bowls Club - 2022 Season



Following a major review of the 4 separate bowls leagues within the Lincoln area due to the effects of the pandemic, Leadenham Bowls Club will now play in 2 evening leagues commencing with the Tuesday Evening League on 26 April, featuring a home game against Lincoln Eastgate. The Thursday Evening League begins on 5 May away to North Hykeham.

As ever, we are keen to attract new members to the club to participate in what is a very sociable, and competitive, team sport. So,

putting your perceptions aside (it is not a sport associated exclusively for the retired and/or elderly) come along and give it a try! No prior experience is necessary, you learn by playing in actual matches as part of a team of 3, which is how we all began. We have plenty of bowls for you to practise with so apply the GOYA principle and give it a go!

For further details contact either: John McClelland - Club Secretary on 07941 905732; David Dorey (Treasurer) on 01400 272015, or Roger Brooke (Chairman) on 07480 470002.

# Caythorpe Children's Centre April Timetable

Booking for groups is essential for Learning Together and Baby Massage, these are groups where the commitment of attending weekly for a set of weeks is required.

These groups are shown as **booking required** on the timetable.

Other groups where families can attend without prior booking will not have extra information and therefore you are welcome to arrive on time for the start of the session.

Caythorpe Children's Centre Timetable (Free Family Activities)

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Please book on using the web link on a Please note that the us	Ipm – 2:00pm Early Explorers – Under 1's Early Explorers – Under 1's A <u>sensory</u> and <u>messy</u> play session providing materials for children to explore, supporting their development and growing confidence		10:00am – 11:00am  Virtual Opening Doors to Employment  Description: This four-week employability course is for parents who are ready to look for a job but could do with a helping hand. By the end of the course, you will have an up-to-date CV, know how and where to effectively job search and feel confident about communicating your skills and experience during interviews. To find out more email beststant@evailiance.org.uis	activities together, encouraging children's independence, confidence and social skills	10:00am – 11:00am  Learning Through Play  (For children 0 - 5 years with siblings up to 8)  This session provides a variety of activities for children to explore supporting children's changing needs and interests, the session offers an opportunity for parents, carers and children to discover and explore a wide range of play	Tuesdays
Please book on using the web link on our virtual session timetable or contact your local centre for more information by email Please note that the use of mobile phones and cameras are NOT permitted in the centre. Thank you	1:00 – 2:00pm  Breastfeeding Support Group  ② SleafordCC  You do not need to book onto a Breastfeeding Session and can just attend on the day/time. Please make sure you are familiar with building safety guidance	1:30pm - 2:30pm Virtual 'Preparation for Parenting' Sessions run fortnightly To start your registration process for our Zoom sessions, please mail: beststart@eyalliance.org.uk	1:00pm - 2:00pm Stay and Play Under 1's This session aims to support developing bables to grow and learn. Activities will encourage bables to reach their unique developmental milestones, following their interests and curiosities	Fun Fact The Easter Bunny legend began in Germany	10:00am - 11:00am  Movers and Shakers  (For children - 2 years with siblings up to 8)  Movers and Shakers is a fun music and movement session which supports and develops children's communication and physical stills. The session includes using musical instruments and singing to support early language development and physical activities such as scarves, bubbles, balls and paractivities musical conditional or ordination and physical awareness.	Wednesdays
more information by email centre. Thank you	S week programme commercine and week programme commercine and week 200 ment of the program of th		9.30am – 12.30pm Kids Cretche @ SleafordCC Early support & learning provision for disabled children and those with complex medical needs Dook On Please contact KIDS for information and bookings Senior Practitioner Kirsty Hardy:- 07793777306 kirsty, hardy@kidssorg.uk	10:00 – 11:00am  14 <sup>th</sup> April Only - Little Explorers  (For children 0 - 5 years with shifings up  to 8)  A sensory and messy play session  providing materials for children to explore, supporting their development and growing confidence	10:00 – 11:00am  7th April Only - Hiday Fun Spring Into Spring (For children 0 - 5 years with sublings up to 8)  A fun filled and exiting session for families to enjoy, which will be jam packed with Spring activities, games and songs. Come along and have some fun!	Thursdays
		Run in partnership with Lincolnshire Adult Skills and Family Learning Service To find out more email beststart@eyalliance.org.uk	12:30pm – 1:30pm Virtual GROW Your Own Confidence A friendly and relaxed 4-week course for parents who would like to build their own confidence	Health Visitor Assessment Clinic Appointment only call 01522 843000		Fridays







# Caythorpe Court 2022 Open Day Saturday 16th April 2pm until 5pm

PGL Caythorpe Court will be holding our 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Open Day to allow our friends and neighbours from the local area a chance to come and see what PGL do.

You will be able to try some of our activities and have a look around our site.

Please be aware that there will be age and size restrictions on our activities, with limited activities for children under 7.

There is no charge to take part in activities, but we will be raising money for MIND on the day, should you wish to make a small donation.

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Tom Mountain, General Manager



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# Caythorpe Primary School

#### World Book Day 2022

At Caythorpe Primary School we believe reading is the key to success. World Book Day is always celebrated with enthusiasm and the love of books shared throughout the Where learning comes first school. This year marked 25 years of World Book Day and the theme was "You are a Reader".

Mrs Hunt kick started the day with a whole school assembly to introduce the events of the



day. It was an opportunity for the children to visit other teachers and work with children from other classes.

Each class teacher, planned book and reading activities and challenges for the children to complete on the day. With Mr Murphy and Mrs Bennett, the children were cast into the role of Tom Gates. The character Tom Gates loves to doodle. The children were set the challenge of drawing in the style of the Tom Gates series by author Liz Pichon. For more on the Tom Gates books visit https://thebrilliantworldoftomgates.com/

In Neverland, the children were challenged by Miss Checkley to transform a wooden spoon into their favourite book character. This activity is a brilliant way of encouraging children and young people to celebrate their favourite stories and let their imaginations run wild!



In Narnia, Mr Knight (or was he Harry Potter?) challenged the children to locate the seven Horcrux. This enabled the children to use our outdoor space and follow clues to solve the challenge. Mr Knight was so impressed with how the children worked together and supported each other.

In Enchanted Forest, the children worked with Mrs Enstone on a story writing challenge. The children had to roll a dice to reveal words which they had to include in their stories. She was particularly pleased to see the older children supporting the younger children. We were so impressed with the effort and enthusiasm the children expressed throughout the day as they completed their tasks together.

The children looked amazing in their costumes. It was good to see so many home-made outfits. Well done to

the children who received prizes for their efforts, the teachers found it so hard to judge. Prizes winners were;

**Enchanted Forest:** George W. (The Mad Scientist) and Milania (Little Red Riding Hood).

**Neverland:** Max (Robin Hood) and Matilda (Miss Trunchball). **Narnia:** Troy (Captain Hook) and Denver (The Cheshire Cat).

Hogwarts: Barney (Mr Oaks, a badger from "The Midnight Garden) and Ayla (Mary Poppins).

#### Starting of Learning with a Big Bang

At Caythorpe we pride ourselves on making learning memorable. Each topic begins with a "big bang" a memorable experience linked to the topic to hook future learning onto. Hogwarts class, Year 5 and 6 are studying "Is it a mountain or a molehill?" A topic to discover the geography of the mountains of the world. The children have worked brilliantly in our 'Mountain Base Camp' training "Big Bang!".

We had a morning of orienteering. The children used their navigational skills and knowledge of compass points to complete the course in the fastest time possible. At each checkpoint



they had to answer a geography trivia question before moving on. They really enjoyed completing their learning outside the classroom and we are excited for our afternoon of activities. In the afternoon, we completed a carousel of activities including expedition planning, tent building and baking.

The children had to show their learning powers of teamwork and perseverance to overcome new challenges that they have not faced before.

It has inspired the children to learn about mountain ranges from around the world, how they are formed and how they impact on the world that we live in today.

In Narnia, Year 3 and 4 are studying "What did the Romans ever do for us?" this term. A topic to discover the legacy left from the Roman Empire in not only the UK but Europe too.

The children arrived as Roman gods/goddesses, soldiers, gladiators and Emperors for the day.

The children were informed by a descendent of Mars, the god of war, that they will be trained up to join a Roman legion. Before training commenced, the children designed and created their own Roman shield. They included different symbols and pictures that were important to them, using bold colours so that the enemy could see them from a distance.

Once the shields were created and an obligatory photo was taken, the soldiers tucked into some bread that was made by Albertious Maximus using an ancient Roman recipe. Full up on our bread, the soldiers decided to burn off the calories by marching like the Roman army shouting the words 'Sin, Dex, Sin, Dex'. Once the soldiers were trained up and ready for battle, they embarked on a very important mission. The god of war had lost some of his very special Roman artefacts! The children had to find the artefacts around the grounds, using the clues.

The children accomplished their mission with flying colours; they have all been registered as Roman soldiers.

This term the topic for EYFS and Key Stage 2 is "Why did Kings and Queen's live in castles?" A fabulous topic to enable children to explore the history of castles in the UK, why they were built and the science of the materials used to build them. The children were welcomed into the hall with cardboard boxes, dressing up clothes, craft activities and building activities and SOCKS? Why socks?

The children used their imagination to use the boxes to create a fort, moat and a bridge. Once they had set it up, they had to defend their castle and that's where the socks came in. Anyone who dared enter their castle were met with balls of socks!



Children who wanted to be creative via art, were welcomed with various activities such as split pin knights or crown and shield making.

All the children helped create one of the cardboard castles that they helped to colour in. These castles are available for both classes to explore and role play in during the term's topic. Mrs Elmes dressed up as a dragon and swooped around the hall, encouraging the children into role playing with her.

The Caythorpe Primary School Netball team have begun their league fixtures. Netball is played in four quarters, each lasting six minutes. After each quarter, the players have to rotate positions as well as change ends. The aim of this is to give all children a chance to play as a defender and an attacker and acquire skills for each position.

Our first competitive game against Church lane, Sleaford on was a well-matched game. The result was 4:6 – however the team were very gracious in defeat.

#### Netball



#### **Celebration Assembly**

We are hoping to extend opportunities to welcome parents and the community into school now restrictions for COVID have been lifted. After Easter parents of children who have received a "Work to Bee Proud of" or a Headteacher's award will be invited to the Friday afternoon celebration assembly at 2.50pm.



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# The Film Review By Him and Her



Synopsis: Two years of stalking the streets as the Batman, striking fear into the hearts of criminals, has led Bruce Wayne deep into the shadows of Gotham City. With only a few trusted allies amongst the city's corrupt network of officials and high-profile figures, the lone vigilante has established himself as the sole embodiment of vengeance. A Serial Killer targets Gotham's elite leaving a trail of cryptic clues leading the World's Greatest Detective on an investigation into the underworld.

Him: ★★★★☆ I will say one thing right from the off...for a 3 hour and 15 minute film, it absolutely flies by! The undulating pace of this film is perfect, the dark brooding film noir style is heavy but with real impact. The clever use of lighting (or lack of, in some cases) and gothic soundtrack make this a deeply Dark Knight. Set in 'Year Two', this is a young Batman still not comfortable in his own skin and still finding himself, however how Bruce Wayne, the alter ego, is portrayed is just as interesting, this is no confidant Billionaire playboy Wayne, this is a 20 something still coming to terms with his trauma and tragedy and still very much in transition. As is The Batman himself...While the mask makes him, he too is still finding his own way and changing accordingly.

Now onto the Actors, Robert Patterson was a somewhat controversial choice, however behind the cowl he is very much a convincing young Batman, he just looks and feels right for the part, however as Bruce Wayne, he is somewhat less convincing...this may well be a deliberate choice to mould this as a truly dark brooding Wayne but does come over as being a wet blanket at times, at least until he starts evolving later in the film. I suppose The Batman is like James Bond, everyone has their favourite actor who portrays him (Its Daniel Craig by the way, any other answer is just wrong....Ok Connery at a push), Some will cling to Adam West's 60's portrayal, others (like myself) will claim Christian Bale's Dark Knight Trilogy was the apex of the character...However, this is a fine example of an evolving character, certainly much more than just a two dimensional action hero, there is far more substance to this portrayal and I cannot wait for the next instalment to see this progress further.

Zoe Kravitz was spot on as Selena Kyle, extremely believable in the role, Colin Farrell was unrecognisable (in a good way) as The Penguin, while for me, Andy Serkis is far too young to be Alfred Pennyworth. John Turturro as the crime boss 'Falcone' was played with a real menace and belligerence, while Paul Dano as the murderous

calculating 'Riddler' was truly unnerving & frightening - Jim Carrey prancing around in spandex he most certainly is not!

If you are a Batman fan, you will love this film, if you can leave your allegiance to whichever former Batman portrayal at the door, you will be rewarded with a very different, but still excellent, Batman. 4/5

Her: ★★★☆ Having watched and enjoyed the Dark Knight Trilogy, I was confident that The Batman would hit the mark, although at almost 3 hours I wasn't confident I would stay awake for the entirety. However, the film was absolutely top notch (didn't even try to sleep), the commentary and soundtrack throughout the film added to the literal darkness of the movie.

My favourite cinematic feature was during the fight scenes where the black screen was only lit up with a strobe like effect when gun shots were fired. The plot, even for an unseasoned Batman fan, (such as I am) was easy to follow. The special effects were brilliant, although, I did have to close my eyes when they started jumping off buildings...it was almost too real!!

I would definitely recommend The Batman to anyone, it didn't have any gratuitous violence or gore and for the length of the film it was fully engaging. Andy Serkis did a great job as Alfred but for me, I'm not sure that Robert Pattinson was the right choice to play The Batman, I thought this before watching the film and still feel the same coming out the other side, I found his portrayal of Bruce Wayne a little sulky and this stops me giving the film full marks. 4/5

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Although bespoke painting commissions are still welcomed, the majority of creations are done digitally and then used to create curated ranges of specially selected products. One of the most popular ranges is the Barry the



Bumblebee and the Bee Brigade print, available on cushions, mugs, coasters, notecards and tea towels with products currently available on preorder due to their popularity.

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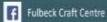
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What a difference a bit of sunshine makes!

We have been lucky enough to spend more time on the school field playing football, jumping, and climbing on the tyres and having a very good run around. We have also looked to see if

things are starting to grow and listening to the birds who are singing a bit louder now spring has arrived.

On the subject of things growing, we spent a lovely morning planting daffodils with Alan and Hilary Mason who kindly donate the daffodils and their time for the children. A huge thank you goes to Alan who kept the children engaged and even taught them that it's good to say

'Bonjour' to the flowers when they first start to grow. As much as he enjoyed himself, he declined the offer of a job with us! We don't quite understand why...?

Our learning this half term has included 'The Universe in which we live'. Keeping it simple for our little ones we have shared the stories 'Whatever Next', 'The Man on The Moon', 'Aliens Love Underpants' and a factual book on the Solar System. The children, using their own ideas made rockets and planets from different materials and aliens with green play dough.



The reforms to the Early Years Foundation Stage from September 2021 puts early language at the heart of a broad curriculum, which is more relevant now than ever following the COVID 19 Pandemic. For this reason, our aim is to provide a language rich environment which includes amongst other activities sharing all types of books, singing songs and rhymes and of course lots of talking together.



It is really satisfying to see the children grow in confidence enough to enjoy and take part spontaneously in songs, rhymes, dancing and playing musical instruments.

Singing Old Macdonald, we seem to have our own little boy band developing! We will have to think of a name for them!

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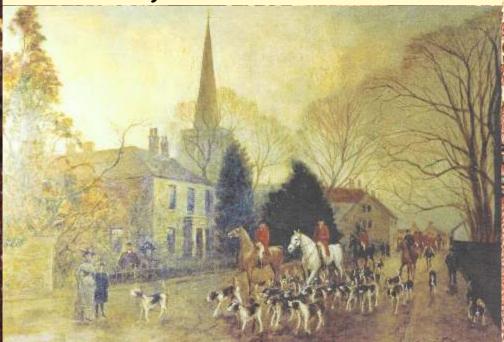
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# History Today with Mansell Beard



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# History Today

## Matters under discussion by the Caythorpe Village Hall Committee in 1961

- 1. Due to the ineffective coke stove the Scouts asked if they could install 2 electric heaters in the hall Agreed.
- 2. On behalf of the Youth Club Mr.Alf Beckwith apologized for the damage caused by the members to a water pipe. The damage had been repaired at the expense of the club.
- 3. It was requested that an electric light be fitted in the gents toilet Agreed.
- 4. Mr.R Cragg and Mrs Pacey jnr. requested an electric plug be fitted in the kitchen so that an electric heater could be used to warm the room up Agreed.
- 5. The coke stove fireguards were needing repair. The guards belonged to the Welfare Clinic run by Kesteven County Council who agreed to replace one but not the other two. Mr. Farmer subsequently repaired them at a cost of 12s/6d. (62 and half pence)
- 6. Reg Baxter reported that the bingo sessions were contributing £4 a fortnight to hall funds (that is £95 in today's money) You could play 18 games for 2 shillings and 6 pence i.e. 12 and a half pence.
- 7. Finally there had been trouble and disturbances at the Skiffle Group dance in the Village Hall. It was resolved only to let village organizations hire the hall for dances in the future.

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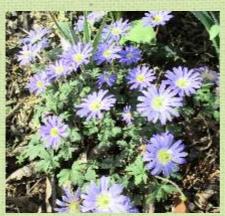


# In & Around The Garden



March is when spring really gets going. Snowdrops have finished flowering and congested clumps can be divided 'in the green' and replanted elsewhere. The hellebores are still going strong, and I have noticed some seedlings around favourites that can be carefully lifted and potted up to make new plants. They don't reliably come true from seed, especially when there are a lot of different ones close by, so it's a matter of luck whether, after 3 or 4 years, I get a nice surprise or another dusky pink spotted one. Some of the newer (expensive) varieties don't seem to set seed at all; less weeding but also less fun.

Yellow is the colour of the moment. Pale primroses abound, as they self seed with abandon. Daffodils are opening, with the dainty dwarf varieties blooming first. I'm not generally keen on double flowered ones, but tiny, tufty 'Rip van Winkle' looks good on the rockery. Other varieties come in shades from white and cream, through bright yellow, to 'Jetfire' with orange trumpets. Trees are starting to come into blossom, including a Cornelian cherry which is covered with tiny yellow flowers, and forsythia is out in neighbouring gardens. I have never mastered the pruning of this shrub and gave up trying to grow it years ago — I just enjoy other people's.



Contrasting nicely with yellow, several blue flowered plants are at their best this month. *Anemone blanda* (pictured left) does well here and appears in places where I have never planted it. Pulmonarias are out too, and I particularly like a very dark blue one with silver splashed leaves. Scillas (I think that's what they are) look lovely under the trees with native Welsh daffodils. There are also dwarf iris out at the moment; they are short lived, but beautiful.

There are fewer birds visiting the feeders now that they have dispersed to set up breeding territories, but the woodpigeons never seem to go away. In parts of the garden it looks as though we are growing

only variegated plants, splashed as they are with droppings. Woodpigeons are supposed to be declining in Britain. I think they have just all come here. I've seen vast flocks in the fields, and counted 14 sitting in one tree at the end of the garden. We also have a resident pheasant at the moment, which I view with mixed feelings. He looks gorgeous when the sun catches



his plumage, but he poops on the patio and has a nasty habit of bursting from the bushes cackling at the top of his voice when I least expect it.

We got rid of a small, leaking concrete pond about 18 months ago, and frogs have avoided the garden ever since despite having a large pond to use. I did, however, find a pair locked in a fond embrace at the end of the garden recently, so I hope they might spawn here this year. I also heard some croaking – fingers crossed. - JA







Rip-Van-Winkle

# Caythorpe & District Garden Society

Mark Schofield from the Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust, our speaker for the March, gave a talk on 'Gardening with Wildlife'. He explained that hundreds of species have disappeared from Lincolnshire since 1960. Recent surveys suggest that many more are at risk of extinction. Most of these are beetles, but other insects and plants are being lost as well. Mark explained that there are around 23 million gardens covering over 1 million acres in Britain, about 4½ times the area of National Nature Reserves. There are also 1,000 times more ponds in gardens than in the countryside. Annual spending of around £200 million on bird food, shows that people are keen to help nature, and changing the way we garden would be an easy way to achieve this.

Plants are at the bottom of the food chain, and many native plants work well as garden plants. Unfortunately, selected varieties of wild plants are often not as good for wildlife as the species. They may, for example, lack the scent or bee-guide markings that signal their presence to insects, and double flowers often have no nectar or pollen. Invertebrates need plants, and, in turn, provide food for animals. Reducing mowing, providing log piles and cutting hedges less often will provide both food and shelter for wildlife, and less work for the gardener. Mark would like us all to be a bit less tidy in the garden to give nature a chance to thrive.

Our next meeting will be on April 12<sup>th</sup>, 7:30 for 7:45, at Carlton Scroop Village Hall. Andrew Jones, head gardener at Deene Park Gardens will be the speaker. Visitors welcome (£5) – just come along.

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# Caythorpe & Frieston Parish Council

#### AN UPDATE FROM THE CHAIRMAN OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Here we are in April, a quarter of the way through the year and things are quite busy for the Parish Council. You will see that many of the Parish Councillors are giving you updates of the activity in their portfolios and next month the final few will have submitted theirs to give you a full picture.

On the 4<sup>th</sup> May 2022 we will be having the Annual Parish Meeting, which is a meeting where members of the public come along and find out what the Parish Council has been doing over the past year and can ask questions and seek clarity, we haven't been able to hold one of these for two years face-to-face due to the Covid situation, so this will be the first year we can actually all meet again, I hope you'll be able to come.

We are busy planning for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations and as we did for the Diamond Jubilee Celebrations we are planning a full four day Event. We plan to insert leaflet in next month's News & Views outlining what's happening on each of the four days, we hope you will be able to take part and enjoy it.

It is our intention to deliver this all to our community for little or no cost, within next months leaflet there will be the bank details so if you feel like giving a donation to help things along, that would be really fantastic. We are also asking local business to support the celebrations by providing sponsorship. We have already received £1000 in total from two local businesses, Mid UK and N2Enterprises. We are looking to get a grant from SKDC, so this means hopefully we can have a really good community weekend at very little expense to everyone.

The timetable below outlines the days, no details about them yet, just to give you all notice of what is likely to happen, there will be there something for everyone. There are lots of volunteers within the community who are working very hard to organise this and anyone else who wishes to volunteer please contact me, especially during the days of the celebrations we could do with assistance putting tables up taking them down for the street party etcetera, so don't be shy come forward and volunteer and we will all have a great time!



# Thursday 2nd June

Treasure Hunt for both adults and children

A 3-way quiz to be held concurrently at The Red Lion, The Waggon & Horses and The Social Club

Beacon Lighting time 9.45pm

## Friday 3rd June

Televising the Service of Thanksgiving from St Paul's Cathedral in St Vincent's with cakes and drinks in the Church

Family 'Old Sports' Day at the Playing Field with skittles

Jazz in the Park with Bar

BBQ supplied for family BBQ with salads, bread, desserts, trifles, cake
The Marquees will be erected for inclement weather

## Saturday 4th June

Festival external bars plus Social Club Bar. Event to run from 4pm to 11pm with Local Band to start the event, then Open Mike for local people to display their talents, then local group 'Northend' for a 40 minute set followed by a Disco and finishing with 'Northend' doing a closing set.

External bars in Marque to serve Lagers, Bitters, Real Ales and Ciders
Fish & Chip Van & Dessert Van to attend

## Sunday 5th June

Street Party down the High Street
Rev Canon Geraldine Pond will attend and Open the street party
Parishioners will be asked to bring their own food and dress their own tables
Children's Fancy Dress Disco plus a Children's Entertainer

Family Cricket Match, Parents v Kids

At the same time over the celebrations time period a drone photo of 'everyone' on the playing field marking out a number '70'

A large banner decorated with references to all facets of the community

Commemorative mugs for the children of the Parish

Commemorative tree and plaque

Photographer – to capture the events

Bell ringing to sound out the Jubilee Celebrations

Letters to the Queen: The school children to write letters to the Queen to be displayed in the Village Hall

Memories with the Queen: photographs of Parishioners with the Queen to be displayed in the Village Hall

Bunting to be erected around the Village

House Dressing: Residents can dress their houses in the Royal theme for the photographer to capture

And that's it folks, more official programme to come as we confirm things.

Some of you may have seen we've had some issues with Western Power distribution, installing a substation at the end of Old Lincoln Road as you can see it's not fitting for the area and it looks a completely out of character building, we are currently in negotiations with Western power to see about other locations that are less intrusive, where it could be sighted. However, I'm not holding my breath for a reasonable outcome! Unless we stand up and try we won't know. We are to register a formal complaint, so work ongoing.

Well that's it for now and I look forward to seeing you in the future at our next council meetings

Neil Fritzsche - Chairman CFPC - 07901598052

#### PORTFOLIO UPDATES FROM CLLR. ANDY CRAWLEY

**Litter and the Big Clean:** The SKDC website only shows the Big Clean team up to the end of January 2022. If there are any areas we would like addressing then please let me know and I will pass this on for their next visit whenever this may be.

I have reported fly tipping of tyres on Gorse Hill and this was cleared promptly by SKDC. The litter picker employed by CFPC continues to pick litter from around the villages.

**Environmental Sustainability:** There is still uncertainty around the village hall roof and therefore PV panels and Air Source Heat pump scheme is on hold.

The Playing Field have expressed an interest at their last meeting about PV panels, battery storage and Air Source Heat pump to the Hammond Pavillion and I am obtaining updated quotes.

**Electric Vehicle Charging Points:** I met with the owner of the Waggon & Horses who are agreeable to the siting of Electric Vehicle charge points on the rear of the car park.

I have received budget estimates of costs to install 100KVA electric supplies (suitable for 50 Kwh charging points) from Western Power. It appears the only sites they are able to supply are the Waggon & Horses, Back Lane (opposite the Sycamores) and Back Lane (adjacent to School View). The prices quoted are for the incoming power supply only and based on the estimated rate at the time. They also include VAT at 20% which is reclaimable. We will need a charger 'head' for vehicles to plug into and a representative of LCC is investigating this

through a couple of different companies together with grant application. He was meant to be meeting representatives from one company last week but the meeting was cancelled without explanation.

I suspect that there will be opposition from local residents to the site on Back Lane opposite the Sycamores, due to the proximity to local properties.

**Tree Planting:** I have submitted a number of different papers for tree planting at various locations around the villages which have been approved by the Council.

Over 120 trees were planted on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> March with the majority on the playing field and two larger trees on Frieston Uppper Green. The planting on the Playing Field included a large hornbeam tree which is a native tree planted as part of the Queens Platinum Jubilee celebrations. There will be a decorative tree guard and memorial plaque affixed in due course.

Sam Barrel has donated an oak tree and various smaller trees have been received from local residents.

Trees have recently been planted on Kings Hill green, along the A607 and the green at the junction of Back Lane. Chapel Lane has received a tree kindly donated by Margaret and Gordon Grant.

**Playing Fields:** The new containers are now in position thanks to the assistance provided by Richard Rainthorpe in offloading and positioning them.

I have ordered 60 Hawthorn bare rooted plants with spirals and canes to plant around the perimeter of the containers to act as a visual screen, deter noise nuisance by balls being kicked against the sides, and act as carbon sinks and wildlife habitat.

The next DASH fundraiser event is on Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> May, when a half marathon and 5k race will be held. Volunteers will be called for, to assist in marshalling and catering.

David Spackman has joined the Council and will be assisting with this portfolio.

#### **PORTFOLIO UPDATE FROM CLLR. JEAN ALLEN**

**Neighbourhood Plan Update:** Following a few changes in response to the public consultation, the final draft of the Neighbourhood Plan was submitted to SKDC in mid March. There will now follow a period of about 10 weeks, when they will check the plan for conformity with local and national planning regulations, and submit it to an examiner for a final decision. It is likely that further changes will be required, hopefully not large ones, at the end of this period.

The updated plan and support documents can be seen on the Caythorpe and Frieston Parish website.

#### PORTFOLIO UPDATE FROM CLLR. COLETTE LINFORTH

**Defibrillators:** We are extremely fortunate to have four working defibrillators in the village. The current locations are: - the Playing Field, the Village Hall, Chapel Lane and Hough Road, Frieston.

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Once finished, used or not, it is necessary for you to put the defib back and call the number inside the cabinet. This is me, as I look after the defibrillators, and it alerts me to complete a site check ensuring that the defib is ready to use again.

Should you have any queries regarding the defibrillators, please contact me and I will do my best to assist you. <u>c.lin-forth-caythorpepc@outlook.com</u> or 07815 569194.

**Lives:** Previously in the Parish, we have had a LIVES first aid responder, however, we no longer have anyone trained. There were several volunteers, however, due to personal commitments and changes in circumstances, they are no longer able to carry out the duties. If you feel that this is something that you may be interested in, please contact me, as it may be something that the Parish Council can support you with.

Further information regarding LIVES and what they do can be found on their website <a href="https://lives.org.uk/">https://lives.org.uk/</a>

**Hospital Car Scheme:** Within the community, there are some parishioners that struggle to find a means of transport to attend certain hospital appointments. Previously we have had a small group of individuals who have helped to assist people by taking them to the appointments, however, they are no longer able. If you feel you may have a few hours to spare every now and then, and could help, please get in touch. Mileage costs would be covered by the individual and you would just need to check your insurance allows you.

There is also the Call Connect on demand bus service that can transport individuals around Lincolnshire. There is a small fee to use the service and more information can be found on their website at <a href="https://lincsbus.info/callconnect/">https://lincsbus.info/callconnect/</a>

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The Parish Council Platinum Jubilee Celebration Committee have authorised the purchase of personalised bone china mugs to be given free to every child living in the Village of Primary School age and under to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee 1952-2022 of H.M. Queen Elizabeth II. The mugs costing £4.30 will hopefully be paid for by sponsorship and donations.

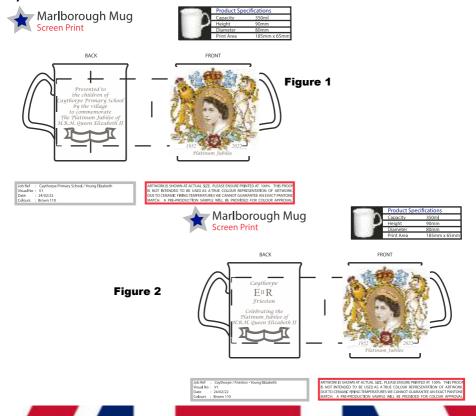
Parents of qualifying children who do NOT attend Caythorpe Primary School/Pre-School are asked to contact Andy Roberts on 01400 273320 not after 7:30pm. if they wish their child to have a presentation mug ASAP.

We have ordered 216 mugs. The factory only does production runs in multiples of 108, I have no idea of the number of qualifying children so there may be some left over for sale.

108 mugs are personalized with "Presented to the children of Caythorpe Primary School" (Figure 1 Below) and 108 are personalized "Caythorpe and Frieston Celebrating the Platinum Jubilee" (Figure 2 below)

Residents who would like to buy a commemorative mug for the cost of £4.30 please ring me.

#### Andy Roberts.





March has been an extremely busy month for Caythorpe and District Women's Institute and began on 2nd with our first Craft Club meeting. Thirteen crafty ladies (not all members) turned up to share a coffee and biscuit with us whilst we discussed ideas.

Angela Turner, our president had brought a display of "here's one I made earlier" completed projects to give us an idea of the sort of things we could do. We introduced ourselves and said what we had a particular interest in, which has resulted in Pauline Dorey leading a small group of us being taught how to crotchet, others were interested in learning quilting.

We hope to be able to teach each other new skills and share future projects as the need arises. All in all, a very successful meeting and we have therefore agreed, initially, to meet on the 1st Wednesday of each month making our next meeting 6th April 2-4pm in the Hammond Pavilion on Old Lincoln Road. As time progresses and if needed, we may meet fortnightly — watch this space!





Our next event was on 8th March when we had a Coffee Morning, again in the Hammond Pavilion. This was in celebration of International Women's Day 2022, the theme being "Gender Equality today for a sustainable tomorrow", recognising the contribution of women and girls around the world, who are leading the charge on climate change adaptation, mitigation and response, to build a more sustainable future for all. March is also Women's History Month; we had boards displaying images of Pioneering Women and their achievements, many of whom were the "first" to #BreakTheBias. For example, two local women Edith Smith, the first Policewoman with the power to arrest and based in Grantham and, Margaret Thatcher the first elected female Prime Minister educated in Grantham. The list of female "firsts" is almost endless with sports, politics, medicine, law, art & design and so many more fields where women have broken through the barrier. The morning was a success, lots of people came along and enjoyed the assortment of cakes (generously made and donated by committee members) with their drink as well as viewing the display boards, this may well become an annual event in our WI calendar.

Finally, we arrived at our monthly meeting to be given the new Programme of events for the coming year together with a name badge each. We have had so many new members recently that it is impossible to remember each other's names, so this will be very useful for us all.

Our most recent recruit is Susanne Wills who is now a fully paid-up member, we hope she and all the other new members will enjoy the year ahead with us.

Angela dealt with the business aspect of the meeting which can be found on the newsletter. She then introduced our speaker for the evening who had come from across the Humber bridge to be with us, Ann Lawty of Mabel Lily Hats gave us a most "fascinating" insight into the history and making of hats including fascinators. She learned and became an accredited milliner at evening classes in Epsom at age 50, her tutor was milliner to the Queen Mother and made headwear for the Harry Potter movies, so she was in good hands. We learned that hats serve three purposes: - protection, identity and tradition. The first protective hats were to protect from weather when animal skins were used. The wig worn by a judge was originally to protect him (they were all men in those days) from bird droppings when justice was dispensed outdoors under trees, but now have become a tradition to show status and authority. Her Majesty the Queen always wears a hat outdoors at functions, these must be off her face, small brimmed and bright colours so that everyone can identify her easily.



Royalty has been a big influencer in headwear for a long time, strict etiquette rules apply too.

For instance, Ascot proved to go a step too far when some ladies opted for barely a feather on their heads when strict rules were issued stating that hats were to be elegant and less carnivalesque and fascinators must have a minimum four-inch circular base. Ann had a few examples to show us of how the placing of the feathers on this base can make all the difference.

The name "Fascinator" came about as a result of tiara etiquette as unmarried women couldn't wear the family tiara, so the debutantes at their annual ball would wear feathers arranged on the side of their heads, as they strolled and danced the feathers created a "fascinating movement" thus the name was born.

A couple more interesting facts were that the RSPB was formed to protect the large numbers of birds that were being killed just for their feathers to be used in millinery and the creation of the bowler hat. It was originally designed in 1849 on behalf of Thomas Cook the 1st Earl of Leicester who wanted to create a hard, protective hat for his gamekeepers. His original hat maker turned down the commission as he didn't supply to the working classes and the contract was given to Thomas and William Bowler. It became the business attire with rolled up umbrella for stockbroker's clerks and probably made the brothers very rich.

There was so much more she told us too and was available for questions and advice at tea break. Caroline Long gave the vote of thanks. Our next meeting is on **Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> April in Caythorpe Village Hall at 2-4pm**. We will be given the opportunity to try our hand at Short Mat Bowls, if you wish to participate please wear flat shoes. The Competitions will be for an item beginning with the letter "G", Flower of the month and if wished, pennies for the ACWW (Associated Country Women of the World) charity. We look forward to seeing you all and wish you all a very Happy Easter. **Sue Case.** 

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## Not from the Rectory

A month in which the rector adds another stamp to his cathedral passport



We have many concerns occupying our minds in the churches of Lincolnshire at present with the impending reduction in the number of clergy in the Loveden Deanery from 5 to 3 as our contribution to the 'Time To Change Together' programme – but the more immediate concern some of you shared with me as the new year started was when would I be going on my next train outing and where would I be going!

On a beautiful albeit cold day in February we boarded the LNER northbound service for Leeds which enabled us to take in the view from the carriage window of Marston with its 'broach spire and the ancient house of the Thorolds next door' (Henry Thorold 'Lincolnshire') before heading into Yorkshire to find the church with the highest steeple in that noble county – and which some of you were promptly able to identify as Wakefield.

Had we gone a little later in the month we would have enjoyed the city's Rhubarb Festival as well as the former

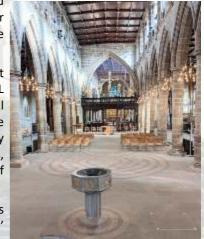
parish church of All Saints which was elevated to cathedral status in 1888 but which, rather unfairly in my view, 'presides over the wreckage bequeathed Wakefield by its post war planners [Simon Jenkins' description in his 'English Cathedrals']

In truth it is a church which does indeed offer visitor and worshipper alike a warm welcome with its underfloor heating as well as superb refreshments in the adjoining Chapter House style refectory. There is an appeal for work to the Perpendicular spire on which 4 if not 5

steeplejacks were working on the day of our visit and you contribute your change to the appeal by aiming your coins towards a small bell set into a miniature steeple and making the bell ring.

The medieval church was rebuilt by George Gilbert Scott between 1858 and 1874 and a new east end by J L Pearson was added in 1904 as church became cathedral and here, in the Chapel of St Mark, we joined the congregation for the lunch time eucharist celebrated by the recently installed Canon Precentor, Jason Rhodes, better known to us as the Chaplain to the Bishop of Lincoln.

At the western end of the nave – which Jenkins concedes has been the subject of an 'extensive and successful'





renovation - a labyrinth has been set into the stone as an aid to contemplation. And free to take away was the following poem found written on the wall of Mother Teresa's home for children in Calcutta:

People are often unreasonable, irrational and selfcentred. Forgive them anyway.

If you are kind, people may accuse you of selfish, ulterior motives. Be kind anyway.

If you are honest and sincere people may deceive you. Be honest and sincere anyway.

Give the best you have, and it will never be enough. Give your best anyway.

In the final analysis, it is between you and God. It was never between you and them anyway.

As this issue of the magazine is being prepared for publication our minds are occupied by events in Ukraine and I offer you the following prayer written for us by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York:



God of peace and justice,

we pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to
them.

We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.

Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear,

that you would hold and protect them.

We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen

May you know the Blessings of the Risen Christ this Easter-tide.

Every Blessing - Stuart Hadley - Rector of the Southcliff Benefice

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#### Ramblings Of The Old Rector

In mid-July 1995 the Chief of the RAF had a telephone call from the Archbishop of Canterbury; not a daily occurrence in the MOD Main Building. He said that he was 'phoning on behalf of the 'Patriarch of Moscow and All Rus', Patriarch Alexius II had asked the Archbishop to send his senior military chaplain to Moscow to discuss the introduction of priests into the Russian armed forces and I was the longest in post of the three service archdeacons.

I was allocated a HS 125 from the Northolt-based "Royal Squadron" and so in early August 1995 we flew from RAF Waddington to Moscow for the weekend: as you do. I took one of my chaplains with me as a note-taker.

On the Monday morning, wearing No.1 Ceremonial Dress, and accompanied by Padre John and an Embassy interpreter, we were driven along the boulevards of Moscow in an Embassy car, the Union flag flying on the bonnet, to the suburbs, where the Patriarch's Bishop of the Armed Forces and Forces of the Interior resided in his monastery. As we drew to a stand in the courtyard we were met by the bishop's interpreter, a man in a grey suit. We were ushered into a large and rather gloomy room in the old monastery building. He spoke in rapid Russian to my interpreter, and she explained that the Bishop was on his way. A minute later a large, bearded bishop of the Russian Orthodox Church filled the



doorway and came over with his hand outstretched in welcome. We sat facing each other across a vast table, each with our interpreter beside us.

He made a short speech of welcome and invited me to explain chaplaincy in the Royal Air Force, the Army and the Royal Navy. As I was explaining the responsibilities and the various chains of command, I noticed that this monk-bishop had deeply etched laugh-lines at the side of his eyes. So I included some amusing anecdotes about Service chaplaincy. He laughed hugely and enjoyed the stories of how chaplains integrate fully into Service life, bringing with them the love of Christ. He began to ask penetrating questions about pastoral care, the rank structure, how we handled the dual responsibility to church and state and absorbed my answers like a sponge.

Finally, after over two hours of animated discussion, we exchanged gifts, and taking my arm he walked with me back to the courtyard where we had left the car, still asking questions and devouring information. 'Should our priests wear uniform as you and Father John do?' he asked. I suggested that in my view it would be wiser at first to adopt the model of our officiating chaplains and wear clerical robes until their presence in the armed forces was accepted. Then, in the fullness of time, an appropriate uniform could be adopted. I refrained from mentioning it, but after seventy years of Political Officers, an Orthodox priest in uniform

might not be trusted. As we said goodbye the formal handshake was replaced by a bear-hug of an embrace and much kissing of cheeks. He said I was welcome to bring some of my chaplains to Moscow to stay at the monastery at any time.

In the back of the car I opened a beautifully illustrated book of Russian monastic churches and read the inscription he had scribbled on the inside cover before he handed it to me. I showed it to the interpreter, and she translated it for me. The Bishop had written: 'With love in Christ, and for further cooperation in the military field between Russia and Great Britain. Yours, Savva.' To which I added a guiet, "Amen."

During the weekend I met two young seminarians who had spent a week as my guests at the RAF Chaplains centre near Andover; they were interested in military chaplaincy after ordination as priests. They told me that thay had "caught" their faith from their grandparents. The roots of Christianity penetrate deeply into the psyche of Russia, so there is much for our seminarians to appeal to. If Bishop Savva had his way, they have now had twenty years' experience of military chaplaincy in the Russian armed forces. As I pray for the people of Ukraine, I pray also for those two Russian priests and their fellow chaplains as they will be facing some severe moral tests in the world of Putin's mad aggression.

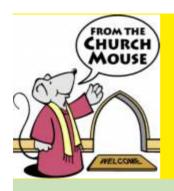
Pray for chaplains on both sides in the Ukraine war, but what is our petition? I was looking at a marble statue of the Risen Christ and reflected that the sculptor doesn't create a masterpiece in stone, he chips away the stone to reveal the perfection of the statue. Our petition could be to ask for the help and courage we need to chip away all the dross that surrounds our life in order to release the image of Christ which lives in all of us. "Christ in you, the hope of glory."

As we move through Holy Week, we remember that God is used to suffering and that Christ is alongside the people of Ukraine in the wreckage of their lives. And on Easter Day we celebrate his victory over sin and death as he gathers the innocent victims to himself. Vlaimir Putin is, indeed, mad if he thinks he can succeed where Herod failed.

#### **Brian Lucas - The Last Rector of Caythorpe**







CHURCH Mouse News

#### **Sides People**

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	3 <sup>rd</sup> April	10 <sup>th</sup> April	17 <sup>th</sup> April	24 <sup>th</sup> April			
	1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday	4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday			
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Brandon	10.00 FMP/SB						
Carlton & Normanton							
Caythorpe				10.30 HC/ValR			
Fulbeck			10.30 HC/SH				
Honington							
Hough		09.00 HC/SH	10.00 FMP/SB	10.00 MSW/JK			
Hougham		17.00 EP/CB		10.00 MP/CB			
Marston	09.00 HC/SH		06.00 EDDS/CS				
Syston			09.00 HC/SH				

There is Holy Communion at 10:00 am Wednesday 13th April at Caythorpe.

- 12th April Chrism Eucharist at Lincoln Cathedral with Bishop Stephen at 11.00
- 13th April The Reverend David Shenton presents a Drama in 8 Characters 'Changed' at the Guildhall Arts Centre at 19.30 tickets £12 and £10
- 14th April Maundy Thursday Eucharist of the Last Supper and Stripping of the Altar at Barkston at 19.30
- 15th April Good Friday Liturgy of the Passion at 14.00 at Caythorpe
- 17<sup>th</sup> April Easter Day Dawn Service at 06.00 at Marston with coffee and bacon butties to follow!

For those unable to return to church because they are shielding or in some way vulnerable please follow the Sunday Eucharist available via the website of Lincoln Cathedral or look at what is on offer on BBC TV and BBC Radio 4.



## News & Views Shout-Out

Dear Pete & Laura, Another excellent News & Views. The Magazine is so interesting - Events, Clubs, Activities, Sport, School and Adverts etc - A pleasure to read and enjoy. Thanks to Mansell for delivering the magazine to Ancaster!

Sheila & Peter, Ermine St, Ancaster





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## PETE'S PUZZLES

- 1. Painted, Leatherback & Loggerhead are species of what animal?
- 2. Who is ex-model Dame Lesley Lawson better known as?
- 3. What are the names of the three children in long running cartoon 'The Simpsons'?
- 4. Which Character links actors Toby McGuire, Tom Holland and Andrew Garfield?
- 5. Foo Fighters lead singer Dave Ghrol first came to fame in which band?
- 6. What is the only animal on earth where the male carries the baby?
- 7. At which fast food restaurant can you buy a 'Whopper'?
- 8. Which two bands are Paul McCartney most famously linked with?
- 9. Who became president of Ukraine in 2019?
- 10. Who discovered penicillin?
- 11. A menorah is lit each night of which holiday?
- 12. Which TV chef brought about a radical change to school dinners?
- 13. What nickname is given to the 2000 to 2009 decade?
- 14. Which London football Stadium reopened with an Arch after rebuilding in 2007?
- 15. Who was sworn in as the 43rd President of the US in 2001?

## Dingbat

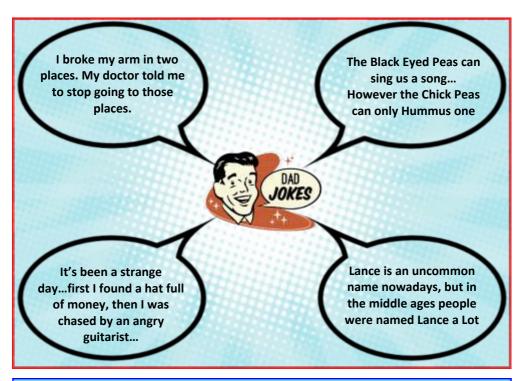




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#### Sudoku

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#### **Puzzles Answers**

1. Turtle 2. Twiggy 3. Bart, Lisa and Maggie 4. Spider-Man 5. Mirvana (as their drummer) 6. Seahorses 7. Burger King 8. The Beatles & Wings 9. Volodymyr Zelenskyy 10. Alexander Flemming 11. Hanukkah 12. Jamie Oliver 13. The Noughties

#### Quiz Answers

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**Answer - Ping Pong** 

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