



KINGSLEY NEWS

MARCH 2014

The news and voice of your village
Community

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(NB. This is a condition of affiliation).**

KINGSLEY PRAYER DIARY

Each week of the year Christians in Kingsley pray specially for people in a different area of the village and its surroundings. During March we think of, and pray for people living in: -

W/c Mar 2nd Newton Hollows and Hatcheries

W/c Mar 9th Newton/Hillfoot and Old Hall Lane

W/c Mar 16th Kingswood

W/c Mar 23th Meeting House Lane/Offalpits Lane

W/c Mar 30th Norley Road

EDITORIAL NEWS AND VIEWS

Dear Readers

I was recently asked if I would like some old Kingsley Parish monthly magazines. It wasn't until I received them that I realised how old they were - one of them is dated 1876, volume 6, and it was priced at one old penny (which would have been expensive at the time). I had no idea that the Kingsley Parish magazine had been going so long.

There is a puzzle corner at the back of one of the magazines and a riddle, but no answer. Here it is:

"I am very far away, but you can see me, you can feel me, but you cannot touch me, and you could not live without me. I am a great deal older than you are. What am I?"

Does anyone have the answer?

I will reproduce some of the articles from these magazines over the coming months.

Elizabeth

**Articles for the magazine to be sent to the Editor
by email to - ewilsonsecretarial@yahoo.co.uk**

Tel: 01928 787678

Copy deadline is the 21st of each month

www.kingsleyvillage.co.uk



Scam Proofing Presentation To Protect Our Elderly

Local at-home care provider, Home Instead Senior Care, has partnered with national scam awareness charity, Think Jessica, to launch a public education programme to raise awareness of mass market scams and provide tips and advice to educate individuals on how to protect themselves from falling victim to this abuse.

As part of the campaign, Eula Hersey (Community Service Representative at Home Instead Senior Care in Halton), is attending several older people's groups to share information with attendees on the scale of the problem and the most common scams targeting the elderly as well as what to do if they have fallen victim to scammers. Home Instead has also put together a 'Senior Fraud Protection Kit' which contains information on the most common scams, tools to help assess the risk of an elderly loved one, plus really usefully checklists to help seniors take practical action to lower the risk of becoming victim to a scam.

The 'Faceless' criminals who use email, telephone and post to lure their victims into parting with their life savings, personal banking information and other assets, can prey in particular on the elderly who they see as easy targets for their crimes. "These types of scams defrauded individuals in the UK of an estimated £3.5 billion each year and have very serious consequences for the elderly who can suffer devastating emotional distress plus loss of confidence and trust which can lead to a loss of independence. The sad thing is that much of this could be avoided with better awareness and education."

If you would like Eula to attend your group to deliver a brief talk on scams, please call Eula on 01928 733020.

Womens' World Day of Prayer

Fri 7th March

at St Johns Church ,Alvanley at 2.pm

The service has been written by the women of Egypt and is entitled
Storms in the Desert

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Kingsley Players

Whodunit?

Murder Mystery comes to Kingsley

Wed 12th – Sat 15th March 2014



There's more than a nice cup of tea brewing at the vicarage as Kingsley Players take to the stage in March with Norman Robbin's popular whodunit - "*And Evermore Shall Be So*".

A murder mystery with a touch of humour, the play is inspired by the traditional song "Green grow the rushes O". The story explores events surrounding a murder which took place four years previously. How strangely the song lyrics seem to fit the circumstances...

Director Colin Smith explains: "The action focuses on the repercussions felt when there is '*something wrong with the village... a sense of evil about*'. An author, cousin of the vicar's wife, comes for a visit, having been encouraged to write a book about the murder. Old tensions and suspicions are brought to the surface and not everyone is in favour of raking up the past."

Wed 12th- Sat 15th March, 7.30pm. Venue: Kingsley Community Centre. Tickets cost £7/£8, bookable in advance through the website www.kingsleyplayers.co.uk or by ringing the box office on 07925 516760.

KINGSLEY PARISH COUNCIL - February 2014

Planning

Given all the recent changes to the planning system, we invited Nial Casselden (Cheshire West and Chester Council Planning Department) to speak about how we, as a Parish Council, can provide relevant and effective input to future planning applications. Nial outlined that we should focus our comments on 'material planning considerations' which include impact on character of an area, building design, highway access and impact on neighbours and local amenity. Aspects which would not be considered by the local planning authority include potential impact on property values, impact on views and setting out preferred alternative uses for a particular site.

He outlined that local authorities have to consider the social, environmental and economic 'sustainability' of new development when determining planning applications and defined 'infill' development as being in a small gap within a frontage of existing property.

He advised that the Parish Council might wish to consider carrying out a Neighbourhood Plan to determine where new local development should go and what it should look like. This plan would be taken into account as a material consideration but it was agreed that it would be a considerable undertaking given the relatively small size of our parish.

Footpaths

We are pleased to report that the survey of footpaths around the village has now been completed and the results have been passed to Cheshire West and Chester Council for consideration.

Cemetery Maintenance

We have received quotes to replace the railings at the far end of the cemetery and this work should commence shortly. We are also considering applying for grant funding to clean the war memorial.

Parking

The landlady of the Horseshoe has expressed concern about vehicles parked at the front of the pub continually being blocked in by cars on the main road. Please can we remind everyone to park considerately in the village and respect the needs of other road users. We have also made contact with the Cheshire Hunt and agreed to work together on parking solutions should they return to the village.

Resilience Plan

We have agreed to publish a list of emergency contact numbers on the village website, Kingsley News and the notice board.

Village Enhancement

You may have noticed that the large 1950's aluminium 'Main Road' sign next to the Red Bull pub has been taken down. That this has been sent away for extensive renovation work to a company which specialises in repairing heritage road signs.

We are also looking at carrying out some landscaping work outside the pharmacy and on the raised area in front of the Kingsley St. Johns School playground.

KINGSLEY PARISH COUNCIL

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING
TUESDAY 18TH MARCH 2014
COMMENCING AT 8PM
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Litter Pick Update

The January litter pick had 16 of our team removing 16 full bags of litter from the village. We had a guest appearance from Boris, the Kingsley Community Primary School, reception class good behaviour meerkat teddy, helping Samuel do his usual litter pick. The February litter pick had 11 of the litter pick team braving the dreadful weather to rid the village of litter. My thanks to Bert Brooker for doing this litter pick for me. Thank you to those who pick up litter and help to keep our village tidy.

The next litter picks will be on Saturday March and 8th Saturday 5th April. We will start at 10.00 am at the Community Centre.

New helpers are always welcome. We provide all the equipment needed.

Eila Birtwistle – Litter pick co-ordinator.

KINGSLEY ST JOHN THE EVANGELIST PARISH CHURCH

Vicar. Revd. Pete. Rugen. 01928 787180

Mar. 2	09:30	Holy Communion
Mar.5	10:00	Ash Wednesday Service (at Crowton)
Mar. 9	09:30	Morning Worship
Mar.13	10:00	Holy Communion
Mar.16	09:30	Holy Communion
	11:15	All Age Service
Mar. 23	10:00	Holy Communion
	18:30	Encounter Contemporary Worship
Mar.30	MOTHERS' DAY	
	10:00	<i>Mothers' Day Service</i>

ALL ARE VERY WELCOME

FOR SALE

Parvalux wheelchair winch. Winch with mounting plate, remote control, isolation box, winch box cover and wheelchair attachment. In good working order, but when taken out of vehicle wires were severed so new piece of wire required. £120
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The Public Meeting at Princeway will include a talk about...

"General Practice - Then and Now"

Dr Patrick Milroy

followed by the Patient Group's

1st AGM

All are welcome

Wednesday, 26 March 2014

6:30pm

Involving patients to improve their care

Anything goes group

Thursdays 2pm-4pm starting 13/3/14 and fortnightly moving forward

Tea & homemade cakes, meet your neighbours, bring your friends, swap gardening ideas, swap recipes, bring your sowing or knitting and relax with friends by the fire

See you at THE RED BULL on Thursday 13th and let's meet new people

Everyone welcome

Call 01928 787121 for more details

Kingsley & Norley Guides

We did lots of exciting and fun things at Guides in 2013. Some of our highlights included:

- Snowboarding taster lesson
- Treasure hunt
- Geocaching
- Watersports weekend with camping at Tatton Park
- Fabfest—a pop concert just for guides with camping
- Cooking on fires which we built ourselves
- Learning to use Trangias (hike stoves)

We also learnt how we can take action about things, which included recreating a parliamentary debate where we were joined by our local MP Graham Evans.

4 of our girls were invited to go to our CHQ in London to take part in a national discussion to help shape the future of our organisation.

We're really pleased that 2 of our older Guides (*Eleanor & Jenny*) have signed up to do their bronze Duke of Edinburgh award—we wish them lots of luck!

Unfortunately our 3rd leader (Lisa) had to leave us because her job changed which meant she couldn't get to our meetings in time. We really need to replace her and get a new leader to join our existing team. It's great fun and really rewarding! Could you give 1.5 hours per week on a Monday night? E-mail kandnguides@hotmail.co.uk to find out more (*no obligation or commitment, just get in touch to see if it's for you*).

Guides are aged 10-14. Being a Guide encourages girls to develop by undertaking challenges and pushing the boundaries of their experience.

The Guide programme has 5 key areas:

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- Celebrating diversity

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The Magic of Mozart

Saturday April 5th, 7.30PM
at St. Laurence's Church

Featuring Mozart's beautiful, haunting Requiem, and other short works, such as his Ave Verum (recently heard on Call the Midwife), Laudate Dominum and Kyrie in Dm. First class soloists Allegra Giagu, Hanna Liisa Midwood Kirchin, John Cunningham and Tim Kennedy will be singing the solo parts and will also be entertaining the audience with songs from Mozart's famous operas.

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FRACKING

I have written this article on fracking which possibly offers a different view on the subject than the comments in the farming diary a month or two ago. It's perhaps quite topical as we have two drilling sites on our doorstep at Ince and Widnes!

Camping out on a windswept roadside verge for weeks over Christmas close to the M62 may seem like a strange mixture of masochism and lunacy, but the thirty or so campaigners who have done this at Barton Moss are there because they feel passionate about their cause. The people at the camp seem to be an eclectic mix of people of all ages, some fairly conventional, others talking about Celtic mysticism and ley lines. Their purpose is to try and slow down the development of the heavily fortified fracking site right next to the motorway run by Igas. Their presence has inspired a series of peaceful protest marches down to the camp by hundreds of people over the last few weeks.

Unconventional gas extraction, such as fracking or coal bed methane extraction, which is ongoing in Warrington at Doe Green, has revolutionised energy markets in America recently, providing cheap gas for homes and industry. The UK government now wants to emulate this, claiming that the gas produced will help in our transition to a low carbon environmentally friendly economy.

Unfortunately the American reality doesn't really suggest this. A recent report from Harvard suggests that measured atmospheric methane levels are much higher than had been assumed. This may well be due to the huge amount of methane incidental losses from fracking sites which have been shown to leak up to ten percent of methane produced. Methane has a global warming potential twenty five times that of CO₂. The British government doesn't take these losses into account when claiming that fracked gas is an environmentally friendly fuel, but in reality it is likely to be more polluting than coal.

Also we have the issues of what is done with the huge volumes of water brought up containing heavy metals and other pollutants. Igas, the company operating Barton Moss and Doe Green, claims it will be stored in stainless steel containers and recycled. Exactly how they will manage to clean this water is still a worry. They claim that things will be done differently from America where water aquifers have been polluted also, but isn't that where they are getting the technology from?

The last issue there appears to be with unconventional gas extraction on the huge scale planned is that the official International body investigating climate change, the IPCC, has said that we cannot afford to burn all the fossil fuels already discovered in the world -let alone look for any more. The result of cheap available gas in the USA has been to drive down international coal prices resulting in Germany and the UK burning more coal this year than last.

I suppose the ultimate question we have to ask ourselves is which would we prefer to see on the horizon? A fracking rig potentially polluting a large area around it or a wind turbine producing long term inexhaustible clean energy.

Chris Copeman

Kingsley Transition Initiative

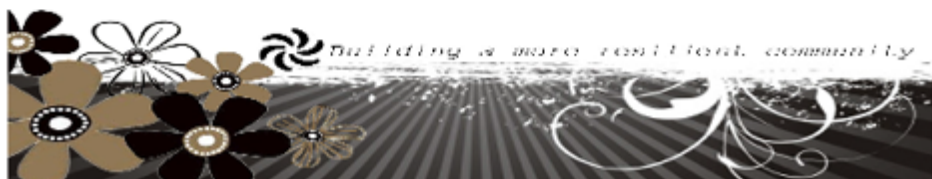


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KINGSLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE*





“HIGHFIELD HAPPILY RETURNS”

Thursday 20th March 2014

This highly popular Male Voice Choir makes a welcome return to Kingsley Community Centre. Appearing with them is “Kingsley St John’s Primary School Choir. Kingsley’s tradition of singing and musicianship will be continued in this concert. Highfield has a long history in the promotion of young singers and, having joined with St John’s a few years ago, is keen to repeat the experience.

At present many Kingsley residents are singing in various choirs around the area, is it “The Gareth Malone effect”, “ X Factor” or “The Voice” encouraging people to take up such a healthy pastime? Here is an ideal opportunity to assess some of the musical talent in your area, you are guaranteed an entertaining evening.

So make a date and book early

Kingsley Community Centre 7.00pm

Tickets priced £6, (under 16’s free).

Call - David 787742, John 0788063, Maurice 788570, Dave 787461, Kingsley St John’s 788536 or contact any choir member.

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LOCAL NATIONAL TRUST MEMBERS' ASSOCIATION CELEBRATE 25 YEARS

At your local National Trust Members' Association celebrations our speaker will be the Director of National Trust Northwest, John Darlington . The event will be at Frodsham Community Centre, Wed.19th March 7.30pm. Price £2.50 per head . Visitors very welcome.

Apply to Mrs Agnes Chantler by Saturday 8th March if requiring refreshments. Telephone 01928-722573.

Sheila Hardy Tel 0i928 787065 (9 Beechview Rd.)

Kingsley Baby and Toddler Group

Wednesday morning 9.15-11.30 in the school hall at Kingsley st John's primary school.

£1.00 per family inc tea/coffee, biscuits.

Sausage sandwiches provided by the school cook for 50p! Or toast 25p a slice.

Pop along for a brew, brekkie and a chat. All welcome.

1st time taster session free.

More info tel. Jo-787598.

Is life so full that you're meeting yourself coming back?

Would you like to stop just for a moment?

Do you catch glimpses of another dimension but never have time to think about that?

Do you have a sense of the spiritual but don't see yourself as 'religious'?

Do you think there might be 'something out there', but you're not sure what?

If you answered YES to one or more, give yourself a present this Christmas of some time out to connect with your inner self.



Sacred Space

First Sunday in every month

6.30 - c.7.15 p.m.

Christ Church, Crowton

A quiet time in a peaceful place.

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Drink in God's Word.

Be refreshed by the Holy Spirit.

Go out soothed and equipped for the week ahead.



Kingsley Cricket Club



INDOOR WINTER PRACTICE SESSIONS

We have winter indoor practice sessions throughout March for both junior and senior players. New players will be made very welcome.

Juniors at Frodsham Leisure Centre:

School Years 1 - 4 : Sunday, March 9th 4 – 5pm

School Years 5 – 8 : Saturday, March 1st, 8th, 15th & 29th
1 - 3pm

School Years 9 – 10 : Saturday, March 1st, 8th, 15th & 29th 2
- 3pm

School Years 11 – 13 : Sunday, March 2nd 3 – 5pm

Seniors at St.Nichs School, Northwich:

Sunday, March 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th 8.30 – 10pm.

JUNIOR SHIRT SPONSORSHIP

We have an opportunity for a local business to sponsor our Junior teams and have their name and logo on our Junior match shirts.

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NEWS & VIEWS FROM YOUR LOCAL FAMILY FARM

I was about to start this article by complaining about the constant rain and wind that we have experienced over the last month, and how it has inconvenienced us and stopped us doing any field work. But then I saw the disaster unfolding on the Somerset Levels and I realised how lucky we are!!

The Somerset Levels are below sea level and are used to flooding most years, but usually only for a few days, before the water is pumped away up into nearby rivers to flow away into the sea. This year the constant stream of storms, formed in the Atlantic Ocean and pushed over Britain by the jet stream, has overwhelmed the drainage systems. The storms started in December and have been coming every two to three days ever since, bringing huge amounts of rain every time. When the flood water started reaching farm buildings and the animals were standing up to their knees, farmers realised this was serious. Thousands of cattle and sheep have had to be moved to higher ground along flooded roads and thousands of tonnes of fodder have been ruined by the water. When the water finally drains away the real work will have to start. All the crops and grass will have been killed, silt, sludge, sewerage and other debris will cover the land. All the ditches will be filled with it and the drains blocked. It could be 12 months before a crop of grass can be harvested, so there will be no fodder for the cattle this year. When the press and TV arrived and publicised the disaster, and after a procession of welly-wearing politicians had all had their say, and photos taken (looking concerned), at last things began to happen. The army came in with thousands of sand-bags and inflatable rafts to help people trapped in their homes. Some serious pumps then arrived from Holland. These monsters, combined with the pumps already there, meant that they could pump 7 MILLION tonnes of water a day up into nearby rivers. However, the water level continued to rise. It just shows how much water was pouring into the Levels. At one time, over 31,000 acres was under water.

Farmers in the rest of the country have been donating food and fodder to the stricken farms, and the NFU in Somerset are trying to organise and place the donated feedstuffs where it is most needed. Indeed, here in the North-West there has been a collection of wheat donated by local farmers, to be delivered to a mill that will process it free of charge and deliver.

The Environment Agency has been getting all the blame for the flooding because of their poor maintenance of the waterways by cutting back on dredging and weed control.

We have had personal experience of their policy of "Managed Retreat" ourselves. The EA is in the process of walking away from maintaining the Frodsham Marshes Drainage System. The landowners have taken on the responsibility of the ditch clearing and maintenance and we have got the water draining away much better than for many years.

The best quote I have heard regarding the floods on the river Thames at London was: "When the effluent met the affluent, things started happening" and the emergency services sprang into action.

There has been much talk in the media about the floods being caused by Climate Change, rather than it just being a wet winter. Just remember it was only two years ago this week that we had a Drought Order and hosepipe ban imposed upon us, due to a very dry winter. There was even a plan to lay a huge pipeline to bring water from Scotland to the dry and arid South of England. I think that might be put on hold for now!!

Back onto our farm: Spring work is about to begin. The soil is still quite warm although wet. The Oil Seed Rape has started to grow away and should now survive the pigeons that have suddenly descended on it in their thousands.

Potato planting is due to start this week (20th Feb). The seed is sprouting well with the mild temperatures of late.

Daffodils are about to burst into flower, and it all looks set for an early Spring.

Kind Regards

Graham Warburton - Warburtons Farms (Now on FACEBOOK)

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Kingsley, Norley & Crowton Mothers' Union

Changing our monthly meeting to the end of the month has meant that we have not had a meeting since the last magazine report. It seemed a good idea to tell you a bit more about what the Mothers' Union does- Christian care for families. Mission statements are about promoting conditions in society favourable to stable family life and the protection of children and helping those whose family life has met with adversity.

Not only does the MU fund work abroad, the Britain and Ireland Fund provides funding for Parenting programmes, Loving for Life – training facilitators to help with Marriage preparation and follow up, supporting dioceses with Development Workers, Prison work and other special projects in the UK. Away from it all holidays are provided to enable families recovering from a time of stress, bereavement or family breakdown to have a holiday to rebuild relationships. (see www.mothersunion.org for further information)

One MU member is a volunteer at Halton Child Contact Centre, these centres developed to help parents stay in contact with children when a relationship breaks down. This voluntary service began in the 1980s in a United Reform Church in Nottingham and in Cheshire there are Child Contact Centres in Chester, Halton, Widnes and Runcorn, Macclesfield, South Cheshire (Crewe) and Warrington. Many trained volunteers from Mothers' Union, the Methodist Church and Warrington Roman Catholic group help provide a safe, neutral and friendly environment for two to three hours on a Saturday where an estranged parent and their child/children can meet. Both Judges and Magistrates find Contact Centres of great value in helping to break the deadlock in a relationship regarding visiting rights and solicitors often make referrals to try and avoid going to court.

Other members are involved with Thorn Cross Prison, Homestart initiative and other programmes involving help for families facing adversity. We are not just about tea and cakes (although we do that very well) Mothers' Union makes things happen!

Our next meeting is Thursday 27th February where Joe Smith will be talking to us about his role as a Youth and Young Family Worker, this is in Kingsley Church Room at 1.30pm, come and join us.

March 11th will be Frodsham Deanery's Wave of Prayer Day, Kingsley's time is 1.00pm-1.20pm and a short service will be held in the Church Room. We pray for overseas countries linked with Chester Diocese.

Our March meeting will be on the 27th at 1.30pm and we will be welcoming Gillian Whyte - Enriching our prayers.

For further information please contact Pam Lee 787343, Pam Owens 732508 or Jean Starkey 788350

KINGSLEY THEATRE GROUP

DIAL M FOR MURDER

Tuesday 6th May 2014

At the Opera House Manchester

Ticket Price £19 plus £13 for transport

Total cost £32 per person

Frederick Knott's intense and darkly gripping thriller, Dial M for Murder, famously filmed by Alfred Hitchcock, is now on a UK tour starring Christopher Timothy as Inspector Hubbard.

The closing date for reservation and payment of ticket price is 15th March.

JERSEY BOYS

Wednesday 1st October 2014

At the Palace Theatre Manchester

Ticket price £40 plus £13 for transport

Total cost £53 per person

Jersey Boys tells the true life story of four boys from the wrong side of the tracks who wrote their own songs, invented their own unique sound, and sold 175 million records worldwide. Featuring hits including 'Beggin'', 'Can't take my eyes off you', and many more.

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EVITA

Tuesday 18th March

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Kingsley Celebrate Sporting Success!

Kingsley CP school basketball team (Year 5, as shown in photograph) came 3rd in a local tournament after playing two matches. The children played well as a team and were very sportsmanlike to all the other participants. The children also got to meet three star players from the Cheshire Jet basketball team. These players gave our team some top tips on how to keep improving.

Also our school football team (Year 6) have done extremely well this half term. They won the regional qualifying event at the Ellesmere Port Academy before taking part in the Cheshire finals in Crewe. The football team won one game, lost one game and drew one game. We missed out on the knock out stages by a single point. Finally the whole of our Year 6 class at Kingsley CP School have taken part in a

multi skills session. They participated in activities such as, sprint, javelin, triple jump and standing long jump. There were 7 schools involved and Kingsley came second overall.

A fantastic, fit and fun filled half term has been had by all and we look forward to continuing our success with a large range of sporting endeavors.



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Kingsley WI News

The New Year began with a change, as at the AGM, which had taken place in November, three new members were elected to the main Offices. Val Boote, as Treasurer; Janet Fletcher, Honorary Secretary and Berra Brooker as President (in name only). Other members of the Committee would share the responsibility of Presidency during the coming year on a rotational basis.

Our first meeting of the New Year we enjoyed a belated Christmas Dinner in the Hurst Chapel Room, our guest speaker being Chris Bailey, an eminent figure in the Cheshire Federation. She presented the "Bloom of the Month" trophy of Chris Woulds. In 2013 several new members had joined our group and we were pleased to welcome three visitors to our first full meeting in February when George Hughes gave us an interesting insight into the life and duties of a young Grenadier Guard. During the meeting Berra Brooker (President for the month) outlined the events and activities planned for 2014:

- In March the CFWI Annual Council Meeting will be held in Winsford;
- on the 20th February our quiz team is taking part in the first round of the WI Annual Quiz in Frodsham;
- the bowling team felt their skills needed significant honing before entering into the County Bowls Competition and are content to continue playing teams from the local WIs in our group;
- On Wednesday February 19th our lady walkers are hoping to be out on the footpaths again after the winter break- weather and conditions underfoot permitting;
- Arley Hall may be a possible venue for our annual outing in August ;
- On the 28 and 29th September an opportunity has arisen for Cheshire members to attend "Taster Days" at Denham College;
- The talk for our **Open Meeting** on Wednesday April 2nd is on the Associated Country Women of the World an organisation affiliated to the WI. If this topic interests you, come along by yourself or if you prefer "Bring a Friend for Free".

Finally, our next month's meeting on Wednesday March 5th at 7-30 pm is a talk by David Cogger on "Cheshire Towns". Do feel free to come along to **any** of our meetings as a visitor. For more information phone 01928 788516 or 788873.

KINGSLEY WI MEETINGS are held in **Kingsley Community Centre** on the **1ST WEDNESDAY** of the month at **7.30pm**

- March** **5th** CHESHIRE TOWNS speaker David Cogger
April **2nd** COUNTRY WOMEN of the WORLD speaker Jean Hardng (anyone interested may bring a friend **free!**)
May **7th** HUMOUR IN EDUCATION speaker Dave Cook
June **4th** INTERNATIONAL GUIDING IN SIBERIA
 Speaker Alison Boag Munroe.
July **2nd** OLD KINGSLEY speaker Peter Robinson
August **No meeting**
September **3rd** FIRST LADY MOUNTED POLICEWOMAN
 speaker Karen Corcoran
October **1st** SSAFA NATIONAL ARMED FORCES CHARITY
 speaker Charles Slade & Sue Littlewood
November **5th** AGM & THE WALLACE MYSTERY
 speaker Alan Hayhurst
December **3rd** CARD MAKING with Alison Dyson

VISITORS are always welcome at ALL MEETINGS and on our MONTHLY WALK.

For more information contact the Secretary on 788873
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KINGSLEY PLAYERS PANTO

I would like to say how enjoyable the pantomime was and how good everyone's performance was. The best panto to date. Don't miss the next drama group production in March.

Thanks a lot

Maureen C.

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Building a resilient community

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- To encourage and support community initiatives that make Kingsley a more resilient and happier community
- To provide 4 Local Produce markets (22nd March, 21st June, 13th September and 6th December 2014)
- To promote and develop the 'Care of the Elderly' project
- To continue the development of gardens at both primary schools
- To encourage engagement of youth in the community
- To encourage the KTI Energy group to hold a public meeting to debate the pros and cons of 'fracking', both in Cheshire and the country as a whole.
- To determine the KTI constitution
- To support the plans of the KTI Trades group to provide quality services to local residents.

KTI have a vacancy for a Treasurer

This small role is not onerous and primarily involves keeping records of income and expenditure. The Treasurer is a joint signatory of KTI cheques, collects dues and pays cash to bank as well as being a member of the KTI steering group.

If you wish to apply for this post please contact Simon Sherlock in first instance on [01928 787813](tel:01928787813)



Kingsley
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WORSHIP AT THE HURSTMETHODIST CHURCH

Minister: Revd Steve Santry

Sunday 2nd March -before Lent

10. am Morning Worship Mr B. Moores
6.30 pm Blakelees Chapel : Rev Susan Levitt

Sunday 9th March - 1st in Lent

8.15am Holy Communion: Rev S. Santry
10.00 am All Age worship: Rev S. Santry
6.30pm Blakelees Chapel: Mr J. Bell

Sunday 16th March -2nd in Lent

10. am- Morning Worship: Rev S. Santry
6.30 pm Blakelees Chapel : Rev S. Santry

Sunday 23rd March -3rd in Lent

10.00 am - Morning Worship: Mrs B. Braisdell
6:30 Blakelees Chapel: Prof D. Clough

Sunday 30th March -4th in Lent

10.00 am - Morning Worship: Mrs J. Batey
6:30pm Blakelees Chapel: Mr M. Smyth

All are very welcome

Please do join us

Wed 5th March and the following 4 weeks –7.30pm at the Hurst:Lent course based on the book of Revelations.Led by the Venerable Revd M.Gilbertson,Archdeacon of Chester.Everyone will be very welcome.

Kingsley and District Nursery committee

would like to thank all the budding bakers who supported the Kingsley and District Nursery bake off at the community centre on Valentines day. We certainly were not short of cake on the day as had been feared! Pauline Bates did a fantastic job of judging the cakes and Catherine Szejer, Lyndsey Nixon and Jack Gavin were all deserving winners. Many thanks for those who came and all who contributed on the day in the various guisesespecially the cake eaters!



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March 5th is Ash Wednesday and begins the start of Lent. Ashes will be blessed and distributed during special Masses at 9.30am. and 7 pm. All are welcome to join the prayers of the Church in this Holy Season.

On Thursdays in Lent (from 6th March) at 11.30am there will be Station of the Cross and Exposition, followed by Mass at Noon. All are invited to Soup Lunches in the Parish Centre afterwards, in aid of CAFOD.

Ecumenical Bible Study for Lent /Easter at 1 Elm Rise, Frodsham

10.30am. Starts Friday 14th March. All welcome –tel: 01928 731235

Women's World Day of Prayer. Alvanley Parish Church, Friday 7th March at 2pm.

Other Feasts in March

Mon. 17th. St Patrick patron of Ireland

Wed. 19th. St. Joseph

Tues. 25th. The Annunciation of The Lord

See the parish web page for further details: stlukesparish.org.uk

Kingsley Community Association AGM

Tuesday 25th March at 7.00pm

At

Kingsley Community Centre

If anyone would like to join the committee or stand for any of the posts of chair, treasurer, secretary or vice chair then please get in touch on 788125.

LATEST NEWS FROM KINGSLEY ST JOHN'S SCHOOL

March 2014

Ni Hao from KSJ

The children welcomed in the Chinese New Year - in style!

A Hanban teacher from Confucius Classrooms, Miss Zhang came in to a special assembly. All the children learnt about the history of the Chinese New Year and the many traditions that celebrate it. A few words of Mandarin were learnt and the highlight of the morning was when Miss Zhang taught the children to dance with the dragon to authentic Chinese music.

Mrs Evans provided a wonderful Chinese lunch, which took the children a little longer than usual to eat - trying to master the art of eating with chopsticks!



The children commented:

'Ni Hao! We are Kingsley St John's Primary School and yesterday a Chinese Lady called Miss Zhang came into school and we did a Dragon Dance and we watched the story of Nian. I found out I was born in the year of the Pig' (Bruce)

'I liked doing the dragon dance but the dragon head was heavy, my arms hurt' (Thomas)

'My favourite thing about the Nian story was when Nian ran away because the fire crackers were like lightning' (Katie)

Future events

The prestigious Highfield Choir will be performing in Kingsley and children from Class 2 and 3 will be singing along side them. This is a wonderful opportunity for the children and the community to enjoy an evening of song.

**Kingsley Community Centre
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KINGSLEY WALKING GROUP

On Wednesday 29th January nineteen people met at the Community Centre. After pre-ordering our lunch at The Horseshoe we walked along Pike Lane, down Wood Lane and entered Hunters Wood, the new plantation by the white cottage. On reaching the bank of the River Weaver we walked to Pickerings Lock. As we followed paths to Kingsley Mill Pool we watched as a skylark rose high, loudly singing. Then over to Roddy Lane where celandines were flowering. We enjoyed a variety of food in a warm friendly atmosphere at The Horseshoe. The day was dry and mild.

The walk on 11 February was an eight miler on the Wirral. Starting from the Lees Lane car park on Wirral Way, we headed south via Ness down to the Dee estuary, then along coastal footpath to Parkgate, where we ate our lunch sitting on newly installed bench seats. Our usual sandwiches were augmented by some delicious chips, generously purchased by one of our members. We resumed our walk to the end of Parkgate Parade, before returning along Wirral Way. Those eight of us that had not been put off by the early morning rain were rewarded with dry weather, turning increasingly sunny, though cold.

Kingsley Walking Group have two walks each month: on the second Tuesday there is a long walk of 7 - 8.5 miles (bring a packed lunch); on the last Wednesday a short walk of approx. 5 miles with a coffee break and pub lunch. We meet at the Community Centre at 9.30am (Note however an earlier start of 9.00am for the long walks from May to September). Information on the walks programme may be found on the Walking Club page of the Kingsley Village website. For more information tel. 788132 (short walks), 788068 (long walks).

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Weaver Words

Frodsham Lit Fest

2nd – 6th April, 2014

Weaver Words, Frodsham Literature Festival is back for five days of events, talks, workshops and competitions, **Wednesday 2nd – Sunday 6th April 2014.**

A performance by Poet Laureate Carol Ann Duffy and a literary lunch with Tim Firth, writer of *Calendar Girls*, lead an impressive line-up of authors and performers who will be appearing at the festival.

A new adult creative writing, **Flash Fiction Prize** has been launched, sponsored by Cheshire legal firm FDR Law, offering prizes worth £500 to authors of the best ultra short story of 300 words or less.

This is in addition to the second **Great Weaver Words Story Prize** for North Cheshire school children (Years 3 – 9), judged by the festival patron Tim Firth, which will be awarding book tokens of £50 for the best stories in three age categories.

The **First World War** will be a major theme running through the festival. The programme will include talks on war poets **Wilfred Owen, Siegfried Sassoon and Edward Thomas**, a visit to the Wilfred Owen Story in Birkenhead, presentations on war films and women's writing and a concert performance of *Oh What a Lovely War* by **Kingsley Players**.

Word Weavers, featuring former Cheshire Poet Laureate Andrew Rudd and virtuoso violinist Daniel Axworthy, will be back with a third fantastic evening of music and poetry, and festival chair Prof Sue Zlosnik goes gothic with a talk on **Vampires and Zombies**.

Budding writers will get a chance to develop their talents in two inspirational creative writing workshops. Cheshire textile artist Sue Archer will be holding more popular book-making workshops for children and adults, and pre-school children get their very own story time.

Weaver Words is sponsored by the Arts Council, CWAC and promoted by Frodsham Community Association, with many of the events being hosted at Frodsham Community Centre.

A free 28 page brochure is available from Frodsham Community Centre, Dandelion Gifts, Castle Park and other publicity points around the town.

For more details see the festival website www.weaverwords.org.uk. Tickets can be purchased online, through the box office 0845 557 7469 and in person at Frodsham Community Centre or Dandelion Gifts.

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- Mon 3rd-Sat 15th Fairtrade fortnight
- Wed 5th Ash Wednesday- at 2.30pm: Hurst Women's Fellowship: Speaker Mrs Ann Wright
- Wed 5th 7.30pm WI meeting at KCC - Speaker David Cogger on Cheshire Towns
- Thurs 6th 4.30pm at The Hurst : Messy Church for all the family.
- Thurs 7th Women's World Day of Prayer
- Mon 10th Noon- 1 pm: Hurst Soup Lunch in aid of Teenage Cancer Trust. Mon 10th 8pm in KCC: Kingsley Garden Club: Three contrasting gardens.
- Tues 11th 9.30am Kingsley Walking Group meet at KCC
- Wed 12th-15th 7.30pm at KCC: Kingsley Players production.
- Tues 18th 7.45pm for 8 pm; Hurst Guild. "Holidaying in South America" –Dave and Sue Mort
- Thurs 20th 7.00pm at KCC –Highfield Male Voice Choir concert
- Sat 22nd- KTI Local Market
- Wed 26th 9.30am Kingsley Walking Group meet at KCC
- Thurs 27th 2.30p.at "The Wyches": "Tea at Two Thirty"
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