



KINGSLEY NEWS

DECEMBER 2007

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Community

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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 December we think of, and pray for people living in: -

W/c Dec	2nd	Mansefield Road
W/c Dec	9th	Town Well and The Brow
W/c Dec	16th	Waterloo Lane and Finney Lane
W/c Dec	23rd	Dark Lane
W/c Dec	30th	Delamere Road and Crofton

We invite you to add your own prayers

EDITORIAL NEWS AND VIEWS



Dear Kingsley Villagers

‘Twas the night before Christmas and all through the house

Christmas has crept up on us quickly again and I now look forward to decorating our tree, icing my Christmas cake and hunting for presents.

I would just like to thank everyone who has helped in any way with the Kingsley News, litterpicks and community projects. You are all doing a great job, but we still need more help and I wonder if some of you reading this could spare a little time every month to help with just one job. Perhaps that could be your New Year’s resolution.

Apart from all the festivities we must not forget the true meaning of Christmas and I wish everyone a

Merry Christmas

Elizabeth

**Articles for the magazine to be sent to the Editor
either by email to - ewilsonsecretarial@yahoo.co.uk
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Tel: 01928 787678
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Thank you

Anita Molyneux and the Weaver Valley Branch of Save the Children wish to thank friends and villagers for their support of all Soup and Sandwich lunches held at Kingsley Cottage over the last 14 years. A special thanks to those who attended the last lunch on the 8th November when we raised £800 for the Charity and the Stockton Heath Save the Children shop's takings were £790! Anita will miss the annual Kingsley gathering but time and things move on! Many, many thanks and a Happy Christmas to you all.

Seasons Greetings



Miss Winifred Harvey (Smithy Lane) wishes all her friends a happy and peaceful Christmas and the blessings of good health throughout the New Year.

HARRY BENNION

The family of the late Harry Bennion wish to thank everyone for their messages of condolence at the time of Harry's death and also for the kindness and support shown to Marjorie, his wife, during the last months of his life.

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Kingsley Characters Gordon Brown

Will Gordon Brown PM be in his job as long as Kingsley's Gordon Brown? I doubt it! Our Gordon has just reached celebrity status by being in the employment of the Warburton family for fifty years, in the past three weeks he has been presented with an award by Geoff Warburton, has had several newspaper interviews and has been on Radio Merseyside, quite a record for a relatively shy, modest man who hadn't realised quite how much he was valued!

Gordon was born in 1934 and at the age of one moved to Frodsham where his grandparents lived, his grandfather already employed by the Warburton family. His father worked for Thomas Warburton and Gordon, who left school at the age of fifteen, followed in his footsteps and began working on the farm.

In 1956 Gordon married a Runcorn girl, Mary. They set up home at Pear Tree Cottage. Mary used to help out on the farm, picking potatoes and helping in the farmhouse. They had one daughter, Angela, who is now married and lives in Preston Brook. Life went along at a gentle pace, lots of coach holidays all around the UK and their main pastime was walking in the local countryside. Gordon has never owned a car and has never felt that he needed one - in fact his main gripe about life today is the noise and speed of traffic passing his home! Blakelees Chapel played a big part in the life of the Brown family and friendships made there have been lasting.

Gordon entered a sad period of his life in 2000, Mary was diagnosed with cancer. Gordon finished work so that he could be with her, for two years he helped to look after her until her last few weeks when she was moved to Halton Haven. Mary died in 2002 and for the following year Gordon mourned at home surrounded by his family and good friends. Every year, at Christmas time, Gordon, Angela, Victor and grandson, David, attend the service at Halton Haven. After a year of reflection Gordon returned

to work and hasn't stopped, retirement is not part of his vocabulary! "I'll have to stop when my legs give up!"

How does Gordon spend his spare time? He enjoys watching sport on the TV, he is an avid Liverpool fan, and he walks into Kingsley for his shopping - and a chat to friends he meets. Sometimes he catches a bus to Chester, and has a walk by the River Dee and he isn't averse to a little "window shopping." Gordon enjoys attending the services at Blakelees and catching up with local news. He enjoys carol singing around Kingsley at Christmas time.

Gordon is a forward thinking man and he has actively involved himself in the development of farm visits at both of the Warburton farms. He believes in the future of farming and feels that it is important to educate young people in the process of agriculture. He was generous in his comments about the Warburton family, regarding them as his extended family. In Gordon's words - "Farming has been my life."

Long may it continue.

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LOOKING AHEAD TO NEW YEAR

Tue 8 Jan - 7.45 for 8.00 pm at The Hurst: "Reflections on a visit to Palestine/Israel" by Revds Ian and Helen Stubbs

Sun 13 Jan - 10.00 am: Family Praise led by Revd Steve Santry

Mon 14 Jan - Hurst Soup Lunch

Sun 20 Jan *Week of Prayer for Christian Unity*

Mon 21 Jan - 7.00 to 9.00 pm at The Hurst: "A Taste of Food".

Join us for a friendly evening of food and brain teasers.

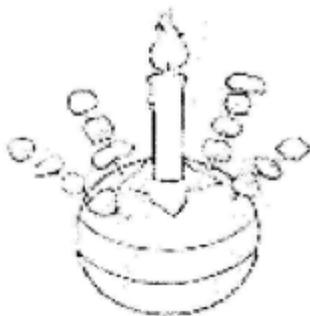
Wed 23 Jan - 7.30 to 9.00 pm at Norley Parish Room:

"A Taste of Prayer"

The Hurst Methodist Church

CHRISTINGLE SERVICE

for all the family



SUNDAY 23rd DECEMBER 2007

at 4.00 pm

Gardening Club News

The December Meeting will be on Monday December 10 at 8 pm. The speaker will be Ken Green and his subject Autumn and Winter Colour in the Garden.. There is no meeting in January.

December is a good month to be positive about the garden even if it is not tempting to be outside. It is the time to plant garlic and Japanese onions and a very good opportunity to curl up with a good seed catalogue noting what did well last season. I find it a good thing to go with what has been successful in the past while trying something new .



Only 190 days to go !

No ! Not Christmas

But

Kingsley Garden Trail

2008

Make sure you have

Saturday 7th June 2008

Marked in your diary

Kingsley Women's Institute

The meeting on Wednesday Nov 7th was held in the Community Centre. During the past month Helen had attended an Eco training meeting and Joan had enjoyed the group meeting where the Governess to the daughters of the King of Brunei talked entertainingly about her experiences (which were dramatised in "The King and I").

Information about future events included:

Nov 12th. A walk to the "White Lion" at Alvanley from Manley Common.

Nov 16th. Lunch for the luncheon club at the "Fourways"

Nov tba. "Lively Hands" "Patchwork"

Nov 21st. Sandwich lunch in aid of NSPCC at Alvanley Hall.

Dec 3rd. Federation Carol Service at St. Peter's Aston. 7pm.

Dec 13th. Group meeting Frodsham Community Centre featuring the Weaver Valley Choir. 8pm.

Dec 13th. Luncheon Club Christmas Dinner at the "Heathercliffe" Two courses £8.50. All members welcome.

The A.G.M. was formally opened. The Treasurer gave out copies of the financial statement which showed a healthy surplus, thanks mainly to the year's fund raising activities. In her annual report, the Secretary gave an account of the year's successful meetings and activities, especially the garden and theatre outings.

The President's report was inevitably more personal. She had enjoyed her year of office and was prepared to continue for another year. She thanked all the members of the committee, particularly the Secretary and Treasurer for their help and support, all those non-committee helpers who contributed to the smooth running of the meetings and non-member Len Dann for examining the accounts and being willing to continue.

Members duly approved of all three reports.

No elections were necessary as there were only two nominations to fill two vacancies. The committee for next year will be Joan, Hilary,

Geraldine, Ursula, Margaret, Berra and Jill. Chris offered to take over “Press” from Hilda. Kathy and Anne would continue as non-committee helpers. Joan was thanked for all her work as President, both during and between meetings. With this the A.G.M closed.

Mr. Harry Leather was then introduced. A former teacher, forced into early retirement by heart trouble, he shared with us the large part music had played in his life and the pleasure it gave him. His entertaining

Why Do You Live In Kingsley?

Population about 3000 - litter pickers 7 (on a good day).

Some of us were born here of course and like it, so have stayed.

Others have to stay till they are old enough to get away. Many of us have chosen to come here.

Why? Because we want to live in a place where litter piles up as it does in the slums of the third world, or even of this country's less ‘desirable ‘ places to live?

No good saying ‘They’ should clean it up, ‘They’ shouldn’t drop litter. The fact is litter is dropped and was not cleared up, till a small group of people started to litter-pick last year. They made a lot of difference with 2 hours work a month, a bit more for the organiser, now Eila Birtwhistle.

Two hours on a Saturday or Sunday morning once a month – more than 7 of us can manage that surely. **Next litter-pick on Saturday, 15th December, 10am at the Community Centre.**

Berra Brooker

TOO BUSY TO STOP ?



SATURDAY 22ND DECEMBER

Amid all the frantic activity

THE HURST CHAPEL, KINGSLEY

offers a haven of peace.

BETWEEN 2.00 and 8.00 pm.

ENJOY the warmth & peace.

RELAX for a while, and

EXPERIENCE the true meaning

of **CHRISTMAS.**

NEWSLETTER FROM ST. JOHN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL: DECEMBER 2007



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WA6 8EF
Tel: (01928) 788536

Head teacher: Mrs A. Griffiths

email: head@kingsley-st-johns.cheshire.sch.uk

Dear Readers,

I hope you all had chance to enjoy the feast of autumn colours before the dark nights set in. There were lots to enjoy during November...

- Thanks to all who helped put on such a fun spooky party at the end of October. The costumes were amazing!
- The staff have been busy brushing up on their French skills. From the spring term we will be introducing French to our junior children using a range of fun materials to teach basic conversational skills. Our infant children will also be learning some key words and enjoying some French songs!
- Some of our Governors and staff met in the evening to look at our links with the Church, and how our Christian ethos is reflected in school life. Although we will all miss Canon Gilpin, it has been wonderful to see how our Foundation Governors and members of the Church community have rallied round to make sure we continue to keep our links with the Church during the interregnum. We look forward to welcoming Cliff Peatree and Marilyn-Steadman-Jones, and Joan Loukes to lead our assemblies.
- An informative and fun day was had by all the children who visited the Life Education Caravan to learn some science in a fun way.
- The playground is looking colourful thanks to some new funky playground markings.
- I had the pleasure of meeting the new Headteacher of Kingsley Community Primary School – Mrs Rimmer. Members of our two school councils will meet in this term to discuss village issues. We are fortunate in having two vibrant and successful schools in our village.

We are all looking forward to a range of school and community events...

- Annual school panto visit to The Lowry Theatre in December.
- Joint School and Church Fayre on 24th November.
- Christmas decoration making with the Friends of the school – 19th December.
- Our Christmas production – ‘Are We Nearly There Yet’
- Our traditional Carol service on the last day of term in Church at 10.30am to which members of the community are always welcome
- A special Festive Christmas Dinner
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I hope I have chance to speak to members of the community at some of these events. Visitors are always welcome to visit the school during the school day.

Ann Griffiths

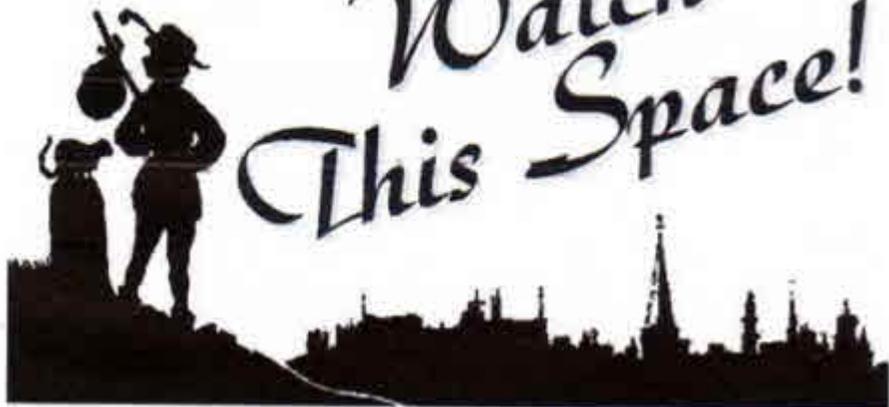


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Whittington

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23rd to 26th January 2008

Please note: all tickets are numbered: the number on your ticket is your seat number.

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Either: Visit the box office, at Kingsley Community Centre, Sunday 6th, 13th & 20th January from 2.00-4.00pm.

Or: Fill out this order form and send it with a cheque made out to 'Kingsley Players' to: Crowmere Cottage, Dobers Lane, Frodsham, WA6 6HJ. Your tickets will either be dropped off at your house, or posted to you.

Box office telephone number: **07925 516760**

Name:

Contact Telephone Number:

Address:

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Postcode:

Date		No. required		No. required	Total £
Weds 23	Adults £5		Concessions £4		
Thurs 24	Adults £5		Concessions £4		
Fri 25	Adults £6		Concessions £6		
Sat matinee	Adults £4		Concessions £4		
Sat matinee	Family £14		(2 adults, 2 children)		
Sat eve	Adults £6		Concessions £6		
				Order Total £:	

Please note that tickets will only be allocated once payment is received.

Christingle Service



With children, for children, with you

Did you know that up to 100 000 children in Britain run away from home every year? That many young refugees struggle to find the support they need? The money raised at Christingle services this year will help The Children's Society's work in supporting as many of these children and their families as possible. It also works to give disabled children a voice, and helps young people in trouble with the law to escape from a cycle of poverty and crime. Would you like to help?

Then come and join in our Christingle Service with music and candlelight! Children of all ages welcome!

Where? St John's Church, Kingsley

When? Sunday 9th December, 6.00pm.

For details of the service, or for a collecting envelope to fill and bring to the service, please contact :

Kate Ingleby 01928 788176

Childrens' Society Charity Reg. 221124

www.christingle.org

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AT THE HURST, 10 am on
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Your gifts are invited for children and adults
at "Save the Family" Plas Bellin.

Presents should be left unwrapped, but gifts
of festive wrapping paper are also needed.

Thank you.

We warmly welcome the village uniformed
organisations to this service.

The Hurst Souperstars'
Christmas
SOUP LUNCH

Monday 10th December
Noon - 1.00pm

Turkey Baps, home-made Soups, Dessert,
Tea or Coffee - only £3.50 all in.

In aid of "Crisis at Christmas"
Everyone warmly welcomed

DATES IN DECEMBER

Sat 1 Dec World AIDS Day

Sun 2 Dec Advent Sunday

- 4.00 pm at St John Norley: United Service for Advent

Mon 3 Dec International Day of the Disabled

Sun 9 Dec Advent 2 - 10.00 am at The Hurst:

FAMILY PRAISE with Parade and Gift Service

Sun 9 Dec - 12.30 pm at the Village Institute: Hotpot Lunch

Mon 10 Dec - Noon to 1.00 pm: Hurst Christmas Soup Lunch
in aid of "Crisis at Christmas"

Sat 15 Dec - 2.00 to 4.00 pm at Whitefield Car Park in Delamere
Forest: Carol Singing in aid of Halton Haven

Sun 16 Dec Advent 3 - 6.30 pm at Hurst: **Carols by Candle-light**

18 Dec The Tercentenary of Charles Wesley, 1707-1788.

Fri 21 Dec School Christmas holidays begin to 7 Jan

Sat 22 Dec - 2.00 to 8.00 pm at The Hurst: **"Too Busy to Stop?"**

Take time out from your pre-Christmas concerns and busy-ness
to experience the true meaning of Christmas, God's gift of Jesus.

Relax in our newly refurbished, warm, candle-lit chapel and
accept the gift of its peace.

Sun 23 Dec Advent 4 - 4.00 pm at The Hurst :

Christingle Service for all the family

Tue 25 Dec Christmas Day - 10.00 am at The Hurst:

Family Worship led by Revd Steve Santry and Mr Brian Moores.

Bring a present to show us!

Mon 24 Dec - 11.30 pm at The Hurst: Midnight Communion.

Revd Steve Santry.

KINGSLEY PARISH COUNCIL

Meeting held 20th November 2007

Playing Field Report

The hedge layering in the playing field has been completed and the field is looking much better. On the site of the old play area it is proposed that will be the new car park. It is proposed that we will have a public meeting in early February next year with regards to the plans of the new play area

Cemetery Report

The railings in the cemetery are being looked into to make them all safe and also to make the railings at the front where the old gates were to match up. The tree stump in the cemetery is a problem and needs to be removed.

Footpath Report

With the maps of the footpaths around Kingsley now in short supply new ones need printing. It is hoped to keep the costs down so that the current price of £1.00 per map can be maintained.

Traffic and Transport Report

Concerns are being raised about speeding traffic in Mill Lane and also on Kingsley and Norley Road. If anyone also has concerns about speeding traffic in the village could they please contact Doreen Woods on 739400.

Carnival Report

Next years Carnival will take place on 12th July 2008 and the theme will be children. The project for the Carnival is that all the children of the village will be involved in some way. We still need sponsorship for the Carnival so any sponsorship would be gratefully received. The next meeting will be held at the Red Bull on Monday 3rd December 2007 at 8.00.

KU17 Report

A quiz was held in aid of Children in Need and £40 was raised. The next outing will be on the 5th December to Chester Zoo for ice skating etc. There will also be a disco on the 19th December.

Community Pride

The Council are being given a tree to plant and it was decided to have a wild cherry which will be planted near the entrance of the cemetery between Westbrook and Hollow Lane. A new planter will be going in near the Co op on the grass verge.

Borough Councillor Remarks

From next March it is hoped to have a new bin for recycling plastics. Which will be picked up at the same time as the glass, cans and paper.

The Casual Vacancy

The Casual Vacancy has now been filled.

Next meeting will be 18th December 2007.



Kingsley Players would like to thank everyone for supporting our October production. We would especially like to thank everyone who supported the raffle so generously and enabled the Players to pledge £200 to:-



'CINDERELLA'

written by Stuart Arden
and Bob Heather

Sunday
6th January
to
Saturday 12th
January 2008



**Frodsham Community
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Sunday Matinee	2.00 pm
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Saturday Matinee	2.00 pm
Saturday Evening	7.30 pm
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DECEMBER 2007

Christians Together in Crowton, Kingsley, and Norley (CTCKN).

We received over 140 entries for the 2007 CTCKN Christmas card competition. The winners, each of whom will receive a £10 book token, are Amy Winn and Victoria Relf from Crowton Christ Church School; Zoe Mannion and Megan Murphy from Kingsley County Primary School and William Evans and Alice Geldenhuys from Kingsley St. John's School.

In addition the judges awarded runner-up prizes to Natasha Grafton, Shaunagh and Freddie from Crowton Christ Church School; Grace Beck from Kingsley County Primary School; and Tom Worthington and Christopher Hill from Kingsley St. John's School.

This year's CTCKN Christmas cards will be based on the entries from Amy, Zoe and Victoria. Special thanks to them, to all the children who submitted entries, to the schools, and to our judges - Mo Evans and Tony Snowball.

We shall sing carols at Delamere Forest (main car park) on Saturday 15th December, 2:00PM to 4:00PM. There will be seating (some cover) and keyboard accompaniment. We shall collect for Halton Haven. Anyone who would enjoy singing carols in the open air is welcome to join us. More details from Janet Batey 788706

CTCKN exists to promote co-operation between all Christian denominations active in Crowton, Kingsley and Norley. Our meetings are open to anyone who would like to be involved. If you would like more information, please contact Jonathan & Janet Batey, 788706 or Joan Loukes, 788874.

CTCKN is affiliated to Churches Together in England

CHURCHES

Anglican

St. John the Evangelist, Kingsley
St. John the Evangelist, Norley
Christ Church, Crowton.

Methodist

The Hurst Methodist Church, Kingsley
Blakelees Chapel, Kingsley
Norley Methodist Church

Roman Catholic

St Luke's Church, Frodsham

Clergy

Anglican Vicar: Rev Canon Dick Gilpin 788310

Methodist Minister: Rev Steve Santry 722102
Superintendent Minister: Rev Pat Christopher 733180

Roman Catholic Priest: Mgr Canon Peter O'Neill 733127

Church Services

The nearest Roman Catholic Church is St Luke's, Frodsham. Services are:

Sunday Mass 9.00AM, 11:00 AM
Weekdays 9:30 AM (Tuesdays 7:15 PM)
Saturday 6:00 PM

Sunday 2nd December (Advent Sunday)

8:00 AM	Holy Communion	The Hurst
8:15 AM	Holy Communion	Christ Church, Crowton
10:00 AM	Morning Worship	The Hurst
10:15 AM	Celebrating Together	St John Kingsley
10:45 AM	Morning Worship	Norley Methodist
6:30 PM	Evening Prayer (United Service)	St John Norley

Thursday 6th December

10:00 AM	Holy Communion	St John Kingsley
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Sunday 9th December

8:15 AM	Holy Communion	St John Kingsley
10:15 AM	Celebrating Together	St John Norley
10:00 AM	Family Praise, Parade & Gift Service	The Hurst
10:45 AM	Holy Communion & Gift Service	Norley Methodist
6:00 PM	Christingle Service	St John Kingsley
6:30 PM	Evening Worship	Blakelees
6:30 PM	Evening Worship	The Hurst
6:30 PM	Evening Worship	Norley Methodist

Thursday 13th December

10:00AM	Holy Communion	St John Norley
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Sunday 16th December

8:15 AM	Holy Communion	Christ Church, Crowton
9:00 AM	Norley @ 9	Norley Methodist
10:00 AM	Holy Communion	The Hurst
10:45 AM	Morning Worship	Norley Methodist
2:30 PM	Carol Service	Blakelees
6:30 PM	Carol Service (candle-lit)	The Hurst
6:30 PM	Nine Lessons and Carols	St John Norley

Thursday 20th December

10:00 AM	Holy Communion	Christ Church, Crowton
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Sunday 23rd December

8:15 AM	Holy Communion	St John Norley
10:15 AM	Celebrating Together	with Nativity Christ Church, Crowton
10:30 AM	Holy Communion	Blakelees
10:45 AM	Morning Worship	Norley Methodist
4:00 PM	Christingle	The Hurst
5:00 PM	Carol Service	Norley Methodist

Monday 24th December (Christmas Eve)

11:30 PM	Holy Communion	The Hurst
11:30 PM	Holy Communion	St John Norley

Tuesday 25th December (Christmas Day)

8:15 AM	Holy Communion	Christ Church, Crowton
10:00 AM	Family Service (with Blakelees)	The Hurst
10:00 AM	Morning Worship	Norley Methodist

Sunday 30th December

10:00 AM	Morning Worship	The Hurst
10:15 AM	Celebrating Together	St John Kingsley
10:45 AM	Holy Communion	Norley Methodist
6:30 PM	Evening Worship	Blakelees

Monday 31st December

11:30 PM	Holy Communion (Watchnight)	The Hurst
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Services vary in format from traditional liturgy to informal worship. We offer services especially suitable for families and young people, such as Norley @ 9, Family Praise (normally 2nd Sunday each month at the Hurst) and Celebrating Together at the Anglican Churches.

Prayer & Study

Too Busy to Stop – The Hurst, Saturday 22nd December 2:00pm – 8:00 pm

Kingsley Bible Study Group: Monday evening.

CTCKN Ecumenical discussion group: alternate Thursday evenings

Kingsley Prayer Group: Friday morning.

Other events

Carol singing in Delamere Forest (main car park) 2:00 pm – 4:00pm

The Hurst Soup Lunches : two per month

The Hurst Womens' Group : monthly

The Hurst Ladies' Fellowship : monthly (Wednesday afternoon)

The Hurst Creche

Youth Group: Friday evening (now at Frodsham Methodist

Church). Contact Barry Watkin 724811

Norley Ecumenical Ladies' Group: 3rd Thursday

Norley Walking Group: 1st Wednesday

Norley Craft Club: Tuesday 10:00 – 12:00

Hurst Guild: 2nd Tuesday evening

Norley St John : Crazy Friday Fun Club

Wheelchairs

These are available on short term loan to the residents of Kingsley. Contact Brian Moores 787442

THANK YOU

Annette and Trevor Edwards and family wish to thank all friends in Kingsley for their kind expressions of sympathy received during the said loss of their son Gareth.

Special thanks to the Rev. Steve Santray, the Hurst Methodist Church, all the helpers at Kingsley Village Institute and the Funeral Directors D.T. Turners of Frodsham.

Thank you all for your care and understanding.

**KEEP FIT FOR OVER 50s
MEN AND WOMEN**

Thursdays 2.45pm at the Village Institute

BREAK FOR CHRISTMAS

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13th, 20th, 27th December 2007 or 3rd January 2008

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This fantastic autumn continues. Long sunny days and frosty mornings are causing the leaves to continue to drop. I mentioned last month about the total lack of acorns this year. This is strange, as there is a bumper crop of other fruits and berries. Apples and pears have produced huge amounts of fruit and plums and damsons were hanging so thick that their branches were breaking under the weight. The best show of all this autumn is the holly berries. I have never seen such huge amounts of berries hanging like bunches of red grapes in the holly. The trees look totally red in the sun. I hope the birds don't eat them all before Christmas. Also now that the leaves have fallen off the hedgerows the ivy has enough light to flower. The flowers are a dark colour and are difficult to see.

We have had quite a lot of hedge laying and fencing done this month. Large overgrown hawthorn hedges are trimmed back and laid horizontally. This blocks any gaps in the bottom of the hedge, and eventually makes a stock-proof barrier. This has all been funded by SREP (Sandstone Ridge EConet Partnership). SREP is part of Cheshire County Council and helps landowners with environmental projects on their land that borders the sandstone ridge down the centre of Cheshire.

Work on the farm is quieter this month. The land is too wet for tractor work, and harvesting and wheat drilling is finished. Seed potatoes are arriving and need to be put into boxes or trays and stored in a frost proof store. All the cereals and oil seed rape still need spraying with a weed killer and potash needs to be spread to encourage root development.

Cattle are being brought indoors as soon as there is room to get them in off the wet fields. These need to be fed with silage and bedded every day. We have two ponds to excavate and more bird boxes and fencing to erect. I will be kept quite busy. I might even have time to catch up on my paper work!

There are proposals by the Government to extend the area of NVZ's (Nitrate Vulnerable Zones) over our land. These are large areas of the country where nitrates in drinking water are thought to be too high. NVZ's are an attempt to restrict the amount of nitrogen leaching into the water supply from fields. This would severely restrict the timing and amount of nitrogen I can apply to the crops in the form of pig slurry. Pig slurry is excellent natural fertiliser. There are rafts of complicated and expensive regulations being proposed. There are "closed periods" when slurry cannot be applied, depending on the slope of the

field, the crop and the soil type. These are only proposals so far, and a potential nightmare. I hope they are diluted and made more workable.

Gordon Brown, our senior member of staff, who I mentioned in last month's edition, has become somewhat of a minor celebrity. He has been inundated with requests for interviews for radio, newspapers and magazines: Radio Merseyside, Chester Chronicle, British Farmer and Grower, Northwich Guardian and Farmers Guardian to name but a few. I keep asking him if Saga has been in contact!!!

Question of the Month:

Is it true that DEFRA are going to cull badgers in an attempt to stop the spread of TB in cattle.

Yes, after years of passionate debate and several Government funded reports, DEFRA have finally decided to cull some badgers in TB hotspots as a trial. TB (Tuberculosis) is present in badgers in the wild and also in cattle. All cattle must be routinely tested, some annually, some every two years, depending on where you live. Cattle found to be carrying TB are called 'reactors' and are compulsorily slaughtered. This is because TB can be transferred into the cows' milk and passed on to humans. Obviously, this is a huge problem for dairy farmers. The environmentalists say that the badgers are catching TB off the cattle, and the farmers say the cattle are catching TB off the badgers. Nothing has been scientifically proven either way. This is a political and very emotive subject: so far the Government would rather slaughter the cows than the badgers. This is not rectifying the problem. What do you think?

May I wish everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

GRAHAM Warburton

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KINGSLEY CRICKET CLUB



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The AGM of Kingsley Cricket Club was held at The Croft Cricket Ground on Tuesday 30th October 2007.

Chairman Adrian Burden opened the meeting and welcomed members and friends of the Club.

Looking back on the last year Adrian particularly commented on the Club's success in attaining promotion to the Meller Braggins Cricket League. He reported on the Club having attained Focus Club status with the England and Wales Cricket Board. He referred to the completion of the Pavilion extension and recorded particular thanks to the Club architect Matt Ollier and all members of the Club who had put in so much hard work in the completion of the refurbishments and extensions to the Pavilion.

Looking forward to next year Adrian said that the Club was looking for still more coaches and helpers to continue and sustain the growth in the junior section of the Club. The Club also needed to concentrate on the transition of players from junior to senior cricket. In the coming year he said the Club should aim for improved net practice nights for senior cricketers. Again fund raising would need to be concentrated upon to build on last years successes.

Adrian thanked the Clubs Committee for its hard work over the past year. He particularly mentioned Mark Butcher and Roy Ashley and First and Second Team Captains both of whom were standing down for the coming year.

The following Officers and Captains were elected:

Club President - Les Trotter

Chairman – Adrian Burden

Vice Chairman/Press and Publicity Officer – Ceri Rees

Secretary – Keith Trenell

Treasurer – John Elliott

1st Team Captain – Neil Rowlands

1st Team Vice Captain – Kieron Ollier

2nd Team Captain – Nick Harrison

2nd Team Vice Captain – Steve Kitchen

Sunday Captain – Richard Hendry

Sunday Vice Captain – Peter Roberts

Kingsley Knights (Midweek Captain) – Ed Leneghan

League Representative – Andrew Ainsworth

Head Groundsman – Anthony Alderman

Junior Organiser – Mark Butcher

Fundraising Officer – Ed Leneghan

Honorary Auditor – Louise Ollier

Child Welfare Officers – Sara Ainsworth and Keith Trenell



As always the Club welcomes anyone in joining whether as player, social member, sponsor, coach or in any other way which will encourage and support cricket in the community.



For all contact details and more about the Clubs activities, statistics and all other information, please visit the Club's website: www.kingsley.play-cricket.com. Club secretary Keith Trenell can be contacted on : 01928 788465

BAR STAFF FOR THE CENTRE

We are looking for some extra volunteer staff for the bar at the Centre to replace those staff who are now no longer available. Bars are mainly on Saturday nights with a few at other times.

No previous experience necessary as training will be given. For more information please contact Janet Lynch, Bar Staff Co-Ordinator on 787432.

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Thursday	Indoor Bowls	7.00pm
Friday	Bridge	10.00am

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Dear Readers,

Mrs Dixon's Retirement

Many of you will remember Mrs Dixon who worked as a teaching assistant in the Nursery. Mrs Dixon was appointed as a Nursery Nurse at our school in 1975!! She has worked with many of our children as they have come through the nursery and will be sadly missed around the school.



Mrs Dixon has recently retired and we wish her all the best for the future.

Whole School Cross Country

On Friday 9th November, the whole school took part in a cross country run around our school grounds. The nursery children had a lot of fun racing through the wild area and onto the school field! The older children completed a long run around the school field, the wooded area and the tennis



courts. Thanks to Mr Smith for organising this event.

Sainsbury's Active Kids Vouchers

We have now received the new Sports Equipment ordered through the Sainsbury's voucher scheme.



We have used a large proportion of the vouchers to buy play equipment for the new Y5 Junior Play-leaders. This is being used with the younger children during playtimes and lunchtimes. If anyone has any vouchers sitting around, please feel free to drop them into the school - all donations gratefully received.

Balloons

We have now received a few balloons sent back after our 75th Celebration event. So far, they seem to be coming from Yorkshire. The closing date is in 2 weeks when we will announce the winner.



Yours sincerely

F Rimmer
Headteacher

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The combined short and regular walk on Tues. Dec. 11th. will be at Acton Bridge with lunch at the Hazel Pear. Meet as usual at the community centre 9.30am.

Kingsley Walking Group have two walks each month, meeting at the Community Centre at 9.30am. On the second Tuesday there is a long walk, bring a packed lunch. On the last Wednesday a short walk with a coffee break and a pub lunch. We are a friendly group. For more information tel. 787055.

LITTER PICK

I would like to thank the 8 hardy villagers who joined our November litter pick. I hope that as a result of their hard work the village is again restored to a litter free area.

Our next litter pick will be on Saturday 15th December with the January one on Sunday 20th January.

Eila Birtwistle - Litter pick co-ordinator.

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- FRIDAY
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21 December
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18 April
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- FRIDAY
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6 June
- Annual General Meeting, then a chance to meet the officers and committee***
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