



KINGSLEY NEWS

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Community

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**One representative from each of the affiliated groups and clubs
(NB. This is a condition of affiliation).**

POPPY APPEAL

Thank you to everyone who donated to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. Kingsley raised a magnificent £2214, which exceeded last year.

Thank you also to everyone who helped to collect. A house to house collection really does make a big difference to the amount raised.

Fiona Crane
Kingsley Poppy Appeal Co-ordinator"

EDITORIAL NEWS AND VIEWS

Dear Readers

I hope everyone had a good Christmas.

I have been given a copy of some extracts from the logbook of St John's School during the years 1901 - 1959 and will be publishing some of these over the coming months. This month is a brief resume of the history of St John's. If anyone can add any more to this then I would love to hear from you.

Usually January can be a quiet month, but we have the Kingsley Players pantomime from the 22nd-23rd, which will be excellent, as usual. They are also taking their Allo Allo tour on the road again and will be performing in various local venues.

If you prefer dancing then the Scouts are holding a fund raising Winter Ball on 1st February, which also includes a meal.

HAPPY NEW YEAR

Elizabeth

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Tel: 01928 787678

Copy deadline is the 21st of each month

www.kingsleyvillage.co.uk

Kingsley Players



present

The Ice & Queen The Enchanted Mirror



Kingsley Community Centre
22nd to 25th January 2014 - 7:30pm
Matinée on Saturday 25th - 2.30pm

Tickets available at www.kingsleyplayers.co.uk
or Telephone (07925) 516760 | Prices £7/8 (£5 conc.)

A pantomime by William Arnold Ashbrook | Directed by Mary Lightfoot

Kingsley Players

Ice Queen brings panto cool to Kingsley



Kingsley Players will be transforming the village community centre into a palace of ice for their traditional January panto.

The theatre group is staging the '*The Ice Queen and the Enchanted Mirror*', another magical pantomime written by Norley's talented musician and playwright William Arnold Ashbrook.

Punk blackbirds, a chorus of slaves and an Ice Queen with a frozen heart will be casting the traditional panto spell at Kingsley Community Centre on Wednesday 22nd – Saturday 25th January at 7.30pm. There will also be a Saturday matinee starting at 2.30pm.

Director Mary Lightfoot explained: "We have a fantastic cast of more than 30 adults, teenagers and children, superb costumes, catchy songs and great dance routines.

"It is a traditional panto-style story about an ice queen who has a heart of ice and rules her kingdom with a rod of iron. On seeing her reflection in a witch's mirror, she is duped into thinking she's a great beauty. The mirror shatters into a million pieces which spread far and wide. A piece lands in the eye of a young boy Tom and, as the sages foretell, anyone who catches a shard in his eye will be compelled to kill the Ice Queen.

"It's a heart-warming tale guaranteed to dispel the worst chills of January," she said.

Tickets cost £7/£8, with £5 concessions available on Wednesday, Thursday and Saturday matinee. They may be booked in advance through the website www.kingsleyplayers.co.uk or by ringing the box office on 07925 516760.

CONNOR - MOORCROFT

John Connor

Peggy, Lynette and family would like to thank all family and friends for the lovely cards, flowers and words of sympathy for the loss of John. John died on 19th November 2013 at Chapel Fields Care Home in Frodsham

We would like to say how wonderful the staff and nurses who cared for John during his illness were. They are angels in disguise.

A big thank you to the Wyches for their kind gesture, it was very much appreciated.

We are blessed with such good family and friends. xxx

Litter Pick Update

There has been no December litter pick. However, we are doing well at being relatively litter free. Thank you to those who pick up litter and help to keep us tidy. I, as do the vast majority of dog owners in Kingsley, always pick up after my dog. I find it very disappointing that, on an almost daily basis, I am picking up after some unknown large dog that is fouling on the footpaths on Westbrook. Most dog owners in Kingsley are responsible but because of the few who are not unfortunately we all get a bad name.

The next litter picks will be on Saturday 11th January and Saturday 15th February. 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 & Newton Village Institute
Top Road Kingsley**

Events for January 2014

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| Monday | Art | Every Week | 2.00pm |
| " | Zumba | " | 6.00pm |
| " | Bingo | 13 th 27 th | 7.30pm |
| Tuesday | Spanish | 7 th 14 th 21 st 28 th | 9.45am |
| " | Line Dance | 7 th 14 th 21 st 28 th | 7.45pm |
| Wednesday | QUIZ | 8 th 22 nd | 8.00pm |
| Thursday | Indoor Bowls | 9 th 16 th 23 rd 30 th | 7.30pm |
| Friday | Bridge | 10 th 17 th 24 th 31 st | 9.45am |

The committee would like to thank all our members and friends of the club and to wish them a Happy New Year and to thank all those people who have supported the club throughout 2013, We look forward to seeing you all again in the coming year and we hope to hold entertainment throughout 2014 Please come and give us your support.

Tickets are now on sale at the club or ring 0192878850

The Artist is the return of Jim Edwards (Comedy and Song. Tickets £10.00 per ticket

Domestic Cleaner

Required for 3 hours per week in Kingsley village.
Wednesday is preferred.

Please contact 07753687442 or 07774764312.



Listen very carefully, I shall say this only once....

The next 'ALLO ALLO' tour

takes place next February, so if there are still people out there who have not seen it or want to see it again, there are no performances in Kingsley but the venues are all quite near. Details of dates, venues and how to get tickets:

| FEB. | VENUE | CONTACT | BOX OFFICE |
|-------------|-------------------------------|----------------|---------------------------------|
| 14 | Harlequin Players, Northwich | | stephen.hoskins2@btinternet.com |
| | Acton Bridge Community Centre | | |
| 15 | | | davidevansriskman@virgin.net |
| 21 | Tarvin Community Centre | | a.wilkinson@btinternet.com |
| 22 | Tarvin Community Centre | | a.wilkinson@btinternet.com |

We have been performing this show now for a number of years and all the profits go to Charities including Kingsley Community Association which has benefitted by several thousand pounds. So come along and have a good time and help to raise money for your local community centre and also other charities supported by the venues

The usual format includes a meal which is served in 'Cafe Rene' during the show and dressing up is encouraged

Further details on our website www.kingsleyplayers.co.uk

LATEST NEWS FROM KINGSLEY ST JOHN'S SCHOOL

January 2014

KSJ Welcomes New Head

We are very pleased to welcome our new Headteacher, Rachel Jones who has joined the school at the beginning of this term. Our thanks are extended to Janet Dearden who has done a fantastic job as Acting Headteacher and who will now continue her work with the KS2 children.



The end of last term saw us participating in many Christmas events. The children added to the festivities at St Johns Christmas Fair by singing carols old and new. Once again we were very pleased to go to Newton Hall to provide some seasonal entertainment, singing carols and serving cups of tea and biscuits to the residents who enjoyed chatting and reminiscing.



Year 2 went to the Church on Main Street to take part in the Christmas Journey. The children learnt about the Christmas story through a multi media presentation which involved drama, puppets, music, song, crafts and storytelling.

Our Christmas performance, 'The Magical Christmas Jigsaw' was the story of the Nativity told through the eyes of four children who were given a very old jigsaw to complete. With each piece the story of the birth of Jesus revealed itself. As always, the children rose to the occasion giving two amazing performances. Parents agreed " It was fantastic! The best one yet! "

Our Church Service this year involved the traditional Nativity when each child received a Christingle. This candlelit celebration was an ideal way to share the key messages of the Christian faith.

We would like to take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy and peaceful New Year.

"The quality of care, guidance and support continues to be outstanding" (Ofsted 2011)

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KU 17 Youth Club



New Members Needed!

KU17s meets at the Kingsley Community Centre in Kingsley most Thursday nights during term-time from 7pm to 9pm. KU17 aims to provide a fun and safe social hub in Kingsley for the 11-17 age range.

If you are aged between 11 and 17 and are available on Thursday evenings 7pm – 9pm, come along and give the Youth Club a try. You don't have to be from Kingsley - it's just a place to have fun - bring your friends....

Facilities are available for ball and other games; there is a pool table, Wii games system, TV and music system; a tuck shop is open to sell sweets and drinks. The attendance fee is £1 per person.

And thanks to the generosity of the local community in the last year, we have funds to get more equipment. Frodsham Round Table recently donated £500 for new equipment. We have been supported generously over the last year by the Kingsley Players, Kingsley Coop, Morrisons, Kingsley Parish Council - come and find out about other fund-raising events with the team.

Please note that currently, the following dates are definitely not available for KU17s in the Community Centre: January 23rd; March 13th 2014.

We welcome your enquiries, suggestions and offers of help. Please contact us at crofton5@tiscali.co.uk, or on 01928 787103. Information will be available on the Kingsley website <http://www.kingsleyvillage.co.uk>

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.

Bathe in the stillness.

Drink in God's Word.

Be refreshed by the Holy Spirit.

Go out soothed and equipped for the week ahead.

WORSHIP AT THE HURS METHODIST CHURCH

January 2014

Minister: Revd Steve Santry

Sunday 5th January

10.00 am : Dr J. Ford

6.30 pm at Blakelees Chapel : Dr R. Lane

Sunday 12th January

8.15am- Holy Communion: Rev S. Santry

10am- All Age worship: Rev S. Santry

6.30pm at Blakelees Chapel: Rev S. Santry (Covenant Service)

Sunday 19th January

10 am-Morning Worship:Rev S. Santry(Covenant Service)

6.30 pm at Blakelees Chapel : Mr K. Jackson

Sunday 26th January

10.00 am : Morning Worship: Pastor N. Willis

2.30pm: at Blakelees Chapel: Mr M.Ridley

All are very welcome - Please do Join us

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.

KINGSLEY THEATRE GROUP

EVITA

Tuesday 18th March 2014

At the Palace Theatre, Manchester

Ticket Price £28 plus £13 for transport

Total cost £41

The show tells the story of Eva Peron, wife of former Argentine dictator, Juan Peron. The show tells the story of Eva's journey from humble beginnings through to extraordinary wealth, power and iconic status.

Marti Pellow plays Che, a character who reflects the voice of the Argentinian people. Linked to Eva by destiny, he brings conflict to the story of Eva's rise to fame.

The closing date for reservation and payment of ticket price is 10th February, but tickets are limited for this show and will sell fast. Transport will be invoiced nearer the time.

To book seats contact Ray Wilson
E-mail ray.wilson5655@btinternet.com
Or tel: 01928 787678

MILDRED MORRIS

Angela & David, John & Chunnü would like to thank all friends and neighbours for their kindness and sympathy on the sad loss of Mum.
It was much appreciated.

Angela Hosker



Kingsley goes Festive for the Philippines!

Kingsley Community Primary and Nursery School recently held a special event to raise money for the Philippines appeal. They combined Christmas craft activities, a cake sale and decorating the school Christmas tree. Over £140 has been raised so far. The baubles for the tree were decorated by the children from the Christmas craft club, who have also made delicious chocolate covered marshmallow snowmen, peppermint creams stars and reindeer food to be sold at the next Kingsley Local Produce market. Kingsley Community Primary School are now preparing for an exciting and festive run up to Christmas, with their Christmas fair followed by their amazing Christmas plays. Children from the Pre-School, Nursery and Reception will perform 'Whoops-a-Daisy Angel' on the 9th and 10th December; Years One and Two will perform 'Twas the Night Before Christmas' on 11th and 12th December; Years Three and Four will perform 'Christmas is Forever' on 13th and 16th December and Years Five and Six will perform 'Joseph' on 17th and 18th December. This is going to be a fabulous, fun and festive time for all at Kingsley Community Primary School!

Chance to Shine!

The Chance to Shine cricket association has been coming to our school (Kingsley Community Primary School) for the past six weeks to help our class improve on our cricket skills. All our class members have thoroughly enjoyed six weeks of playing cricket every Tuesday. We recommend asking a teacher in school for the Chance to shine association to come to your school and help you improve your cricket skills. It does help. Here are some of the comments from our class:

"Chance to Shine has helped me improve on my fielding skills and now I can take that into my games outside of school."

"The Chance to Shine coaches are very friendly and help you improve massively."

"Chance to Shine has made me improve on my bowling, so I can take it into my games."



This article was written by Ben Singer 11 , Ben Hough 10 and Josh Morris 10



Thanks to the overwhelming support and generous donations from local people and organisations, Home Instead Senior Care (HISC) has been able to spread some Christmas cheer to older people in Frodsham and Halton through the 'Be a Santa to a Senior' project.

Older people who do not have any family, are lonely or isolated or who are struggling financially during the festive season were identified by local churches, caregivers and agencies and HISC ensured that the donated gifts and hampers were delivered to either the individual or charities/ agencies that work with older people in time for the festive season.

We could not have done this without the tremendous help of the many individuals and businesses and all of us at HISC would like to say thank you to everyone that supported us. I would like to take this opportunity to mention a few people: Bridgewater Community Healthcare NHS Trust (Halton); Cheshire Dog Grooming Studio; GHA Livigunn; Halton Borough Council (Regeneration Team); Jacobs Engineering UK Ltd; Kinglsey Transition Initiative; Angela; Ann, Judith, Sue, Vicki and everyone else who dropped off gifts without leaving their name.

Eula Hersey (Community Service Representative, HISC)



(L-R: Nikki, Eula, Ruth, Sue and Neil)



As Kingsley Transition Initiative (KTI) approaches its 5th anniversary we want to wish everybody a very happy and healthy 2014 to one and all! We would also like to thank you all for your invaluable support, particularly Elizabeth, the editor of Kingsley News, and everybody who help print, collate and deliver the Kingsley News and at village events.

In December we held a successful market and were delighted that both the Scouts and KU17s participated in the event. The Scouts idea of giving out teabags to enjoy a brew with a neighbour went down very well! We would also like to thank all the producers and customers who make the markets the continued success that they are and look forward to even more in 2014.

**The 2014 market dates are as follows:
22nd March, 21st June, 13th September and 6th December.**

In the new year we will continue to encourage engagement of both the young and elderly in the community along with our partner HomeInstead.

Our local trades group and allotment society also continue to be active and KTI have ideas about holding a food fair and other events throughout the new year.

Kingsley is a vibrant village with KTI being just one element of that community, seeking to make us stronger in the face of existing and future challenges.

We welcome you joining us; please just get in touch - Simon Sherlock on 787813 or Allan Arthur on 788335.

Happy New Year to all.





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@ The Hurst Methodist Church,
4.30 – 6-30pm on Thursday 9th January

FOOD GLORIOUS FOOD!

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all ages. A vegetarian option will always be available.

Suggested donations of £1 per child, £2 per adult or £5 per
family are welcome to help cover costs.

A Winter's Ball

Saturday, 1 February 2014

At Kingsley Community Centre

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Carriages at Midnight

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Tour de France 2014 Sat 5th and Sun 6th July - Yorkshire

The continued growth in cycling is something we should all welcome. It's fun, low cost, keeps you out of the doctors surgery, (if you don't fall off,) and helps keep the weight down. As this should be going out early in 2014 then perhaps it'll be the prod needed to get active and shed a few Christmas pounds too!

With 137000 new riders in the last 12 months the sport has grown immensely and it's pinnacle, the Tour de France can be seen on our shores next year.

Kingsley has a number of very active cycling groups, with loose connections to each other, ours (Kingsley Velo Club) is organising a trip to see the first two stages of the race next year and we'd welcome any local riders who want to witness the spectacle to join us.

The initial plan is:-

1 We drive part way and then ride to a suitable point on the course to see the peloton fly past. Accommodation will be difficult /expensive, so the plan is to come back after the race passes

2 We aim for a section on a particularly hilly bit,

a on day 1 this means leaving after breakfast and heading up the M6 to Hawes and parking up then riding onto the circuit stopping somewhere in the Kettlewell / Aysgarth area ~ 20 mile ride. This being subject to the timing of road closures etc

b on day 2 this means leaving a little later and heading for either Hebden Bridge or Holmfirth, the latter catching the race across Holme Moss, which we think will be one of the toughest and most popular spots to view at, again probable need to ride 15-20 miles so that we can park and get access to the route.

We think that there may be big screen points set up so we can track the stage, if any of these are convenient for us we may adjust the above plan a bit.

Further updates will be issued as the race approaches. Steve Pemberton – spemberton@me.com

TOUR DE FRANCE cont..

Apart from bike, food/drink and a few £s little will be needed. We suspect it will mean hanging around a few hours so maybe a windproof jacket!.

If you'd like to join us everybody is most welcome and we'll ensure that riders of all ages and abilities can be accommodated in the plan. Of course all are welcome to join VCK and ride with us any time, see www.leveloclub.com or contact me as below



*TLC (tea, laughter and company) BREAKFAST CLUB at the
HORSESHOE INN, Hollow Lane, Kinglsey.*

Would you like some morning company, fun and laughter for a couple of hours each week? The TLC group is to meet regularly on a Wednesday morning at the Horseshoe Inn in Kingsley from 10am to 12pm from the 8th January 2014. Everyone is welcome to join us for a cuppa and breakfast or just a chat and a tea cake. If you would like any more details, please call Eula on 01928 733020.



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KINGSLEY WALKING GROUP

Eighteen walkers assembled at Frodsham Golf Club for the Xmas walk. We were favoured with a bright sunny morning. We had a leisurely 5 mile walk, taking in Frodsham Hill, Riley Bank and Crowmere, before returning to the Golf Club for an excellent Christmas lunch, joined by eight others who couldn't make the walk.

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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6.15 pm (Tuesday)

Other Feasts in January

Wed.1st. Solemnity of Mary, The Mother of God

Sun.5th. The Epiphany of The Lord

Sun.12th. The Baptism of The Lord

Sat.25th. The Conversion of St. Paul

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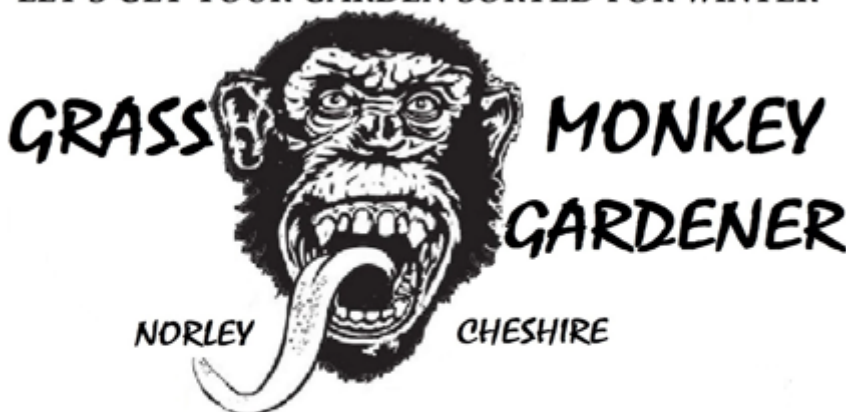


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The original building of the present St John's School was built in 1846, when it was called the National School. It was expected by the parishoners to be an undenominational school, so that Anglicans and non-conformists together contributed towards the cost.

However, the lord of the manor, Mr Smith Barry, gave the land on which the school was built to the Church of England and therefore the property came under the ownership of those who owned the land, the Church of England, so the Vicar had the right of entry into the school and the right to give religious instruction.

The first headmaster of the National School was name Taylor, whose assistants were his wife and a Miss Dally. Since then there have been over a dozen headmasters of the school. One of the earlier heads, a Mr Cole, believed that there was great educational value in the rise of the cane. He practised this belief but all the same, he was a good and popular head..

All the earlier headmasters lived in the school house, until a Mr Thompson was given permission to live off the school premises. Then all following heads decided not to live in the school house. One very long serving headmaster, Mr A E Williams, lived as far away as Hoole in Chester.

The original accommodation of the National School was sufficient for the children of Kingsley and Newton, there being room for 150 boys and girls.

Dates in January

- Mon 6th Jan Schools back
- Thurs 9th Jan 4.30pm: Messy Church at The Hurst
- Sat 11th Litter Pick 10.00am from the Community Centre
New helpers very welcome to help keep Kingsley neat and tidy.
- Mon 13th Noon-1pm :Hurst Soup Lunch in aid of Sightsavers
- Mon 13th 8pm in KCC: Kingsley Garden Club-"Eat your garden"
- Tues 14th 7.45pm for 8pm:Hurst Guild.The work of Crewe YMCA
Speaker- Richard Holmes
- Tues 14th 9.30am Kingsley Walking Group. Meet at KCC
- Wed 22nd –Sat 25th –Kingsley Players Christmas Pantomime
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