

KINGSLEY NEWS

FEBRUARY 2011

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The Hurst Souperstars'		
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Monday 14 th February		
Noon to 1.00pm		

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North West Air Ambulance .		

Everyone is warmly welcomed to the lunch – and to		

"Thought for the Day" which follows !

EDITORIAL NEWS AND VIEWS

Dear Readers

After a quiet January things are beginning to pick up. There will be some new groups and events for February and March.

Congratulations to Ash-worth Timebank for securing funding for another three years. They are in the process of starting a Rural Wellbeing Project, also a new social group in Kingsley, both of which are detailed in this magazine.

On 3rd March there will be a KTI event which will focus on large scale agrifarming and how it may not be beneficial to either us or the environment. This will be an informative evening, followed by a locally produced hotpot supper.

If you are organising an event in Kingsley and would like to advertise it in our magazine please contact me by email or phone.

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

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Kingsley Community Primary & Nursery School









What are we learning about this term? Nurs Traditional tales & associated activities. Rec Traditional tales & associated activities. Year 1 Clothes including

clothes from around the world. .

Year 2 Our Amazing bodies : exercise, food and life cycles.

- Year 3 India: culture, history & fairtrade.
- Year 4 Fairtrade products including how chocolate is made.

Year 5 Africa: Kenya, Uganda & Ghana: culture and history.

Year 6 Raging Rivers including the River Weaver and rivers of the world.

Cake Sale

The school council organized a cake sale to raise money for some book trolleys for our library. They managed to raise £177. Well done everyone.

What a start!!!

After an enjoyable Christmas break, we have begun the year with burst pipes around school which has affected our heating. Fortunately we have had permission to use the empty space in the Kingsley Centre so that we can carry on whilst the leaks and the heating are fixed – this looks like it's going to be a big job. Our children, staff and parents have been fabulous; carrying on in trying circumstances. Although this has not been our ideas start to the year, we have managed to transform the empty rooms into lovely classrooms – well done everyone!

Feb 2011



Local Produce Market

Continuing on from the success of 2010 KTI will he holding their first Local Produce Market of 2011 on 12th March at Kingsley Community Centre between 9.30am and 1.00pm this is a fantastic opportunity to pick up some amazing local produce and support your local businesses at the same time.

Future dates for the markets can be found at http://www.kingsleyvillage.co.uk/kti

Energy Group

The **KTI Energy Group** continues to make progress in the village and is working hard to obtain assistance for residents who want help with loft and cavity wall insulation.

By the end of February there will be 4 solar PV installations up and running in the village and the opportunity of getting a grant for help with getting solar panels on the Community Centre roof is being pursued.

Allotments

The Allotment Group (KAS) has been successful in obtaining planning permission and is working to submit further plans to the Council with regards landscaping of the site before any work can commence.

Kingsley Allotment Society members will be contacted with a full update and we would like to thank everybody for their patience,

Kingsley Transition Initiative meet monthly to discuss how we can help the improve the sustainability of the village and you will be most welcome to our next informal steering group meeting, to be held on Wednesday 9th February, 7.30pm at the Horseshoe pub or just ring Simon Sherlock on 787813 or Allan Arthur on 788335 for a chat.

Please visit http://www.kingsleyvillage.co.uk/kti for more information.

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KINGSLEY GARDEN CLUB MEETING DECEMBER 2010

After an initial hiatus when our speaker arrived a few minutes late (he had gone to Crowton instead of Kingsley) the club was treated to an entertaining evening led by Graham Shillebear entitled "Fruit for the Smaller Garden".

Speaking without aids Graham encouraged audience participation resulting in an informative discussion about different options for fruit growing.

Graham introduced himself saying that he was originally from Hereford where he had been an apprentice at a nursery beside the railway line. He spent the summer days training fruit trees, the winter days packing seeds and near Christmas he made wreaths.

Graham explained about growing apples using small garden cordons, planting trees 3ft 6inches apart with rows running north/south so the tree catches the sun. Cordons can be grown to form an effective and productive barrier between the vegetable plot and the flower garden. Graham explained about pruning saying that another great advantage of a cordon is that you can prune in August when the weather is warm, a much pleasanter job than the usual winter pruning!

Graham went on to discuss growing pears - make sure they have plenty of room with no competition around their base until established, plums - fan train on pixie root stock, raspberries - dig in plenty of organic matter before you plant them, and strawberries take out after 3 years and replace (with runners). He even discussed growing cherries as a step over, when they are less likely to be eaten by the birds.

In all a very informative evening with plenty of audience participation.

There is no meeting in January. The next meeting is on Monday 14th February at 8pm in the Community Centre when Dr Peter Cunningham will speak on Ranunculacea (From Buttercups to Clematis). All are welcome.

Kingsley, Crowton & Norley Mothers' Union

Rev Pete Rugen chaired the A.G.M. held in our first meeting of the New Year. He then gave us a talk about the remarkable journey of the wise men. He spoke of their knowledge of astronomy in recognising the new star, their careful planning for the journey and the arduous conditions they probably experienced on their way proved their faith and determination to pay homage to the new born baby Jesus.

At our next meeting on 1 February Sharon and Bob McLean will talk about Living in Israel.

We meet monthly in the Church Room, Kingsley, on the first Tuesday in the month at 7.30 p.m. and anyone is welcome to join us.



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Kingsley WI

The January meeting was held in the Community Centre on Wednesday 5th. This took the form of a Christmas / New Year Celebration meal. The catering was done by Cheshire Caterers of Acton Bridge and was enjoyed by all.

The President welcomed everyone. There was no formal business but members were asked to put the date of April 14th in their diaries when there will be a fund raising Coffee Morning in Frodsham.

The joint winners of the Bloom of the Month competition, Joan Barker and Chris Woulds were presented with their cups.

The next meeting will be on February 2nd when Jody Sherratt will give a talk entitled Waste Not Want Not.

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FEBRUARY 2011 WORSHIP AT THE HURST METHODIST CHURCH Minister: Revd Steve Santry

Sunday 6th February

10.00 am : Family Worship. Mr Brian C Moores (with young people from Team Oasis, Liverpool)6.30 pm at Blakelees : Holy Communion. Revd Steve Santry

Sunday 13th February

8.15 am : United Holy Communion at St John's PC
10.00 am : All Age Worship. "The Greatest Story Ever Told". Revd
Pat Christopher
6.30 pm at Blakelees : Dr Judith Ford

Sunday 20th February 10.00 am : Family Worship. Revd Gill Stanning 6.30 pm at Blakelees : Mr Geof Robinson

Sunday 27th February

10.00 am : Family Worship. Mr Edgar Gregory6.30 pm at Blakelees : Revd Pat Christopher

All are welcome

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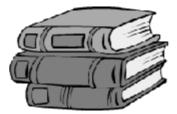
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This is a FREE community event. Everyone welcome. If you wish to perform your 'party-piece' at the Book Night (max.4 mins), please contact organiser Lynn Pegler in advance to reserve your spot. Email: lynn@peglercommunications.co.uk or Tel 01928 789042

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On 26th January 18 Walkers started out from the White Lion in Alvanley. Entering a field by Rose Cottage they continued along until the Cricket Club came into view on the left. After crossing several more fields they arrived at Burrows Lane and turned right on to the Ridgeway. By the Caravan Park they turned right up some steps to reach the Sandstone Trail, passing Cliff Farm and Alvanley Cliff before they reached Manley Road. The original intention had been at this stage to go back via Manley Old Hall, however due to heavy rain the previous day an additional loop was taken using the pavements in order to arrive back at the Inn for lunch. Feedback from the Walkers indicated that they had enjoyed the walk and the food afterwards.

The four intrepid lady walkers who braved a cold wind to walk from Beacon Hill were rewarded by wintery sunshine, a mixture of field and forest terrain and fine views. The circular walk planned around the Sandstone trail between Frodsham and Helsby passed the hundred year old silver birch tree with the book of memories hidden in its trunk and climbed the back of Helby Hill past the so called eco-house to enjoy clear views over the .Only the constant hum of the motorway slightly marred the peacefulness of the surroundings. Returning along the bottom of the hill, through the woods and across the golf course we were rather startled to be confronted by "Beware of golfers" signs, imagining that it was the golf balls that might do damage but perhaps Frodsham golfers are particularly fierce! However it was only the climb up Jacobs Ladder that got the heart rate up

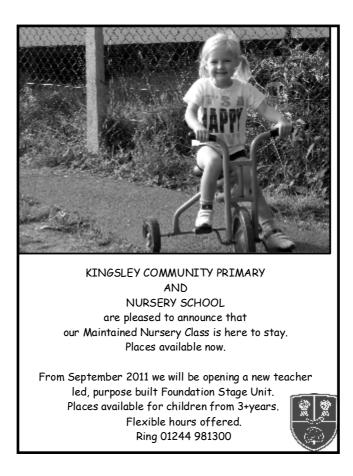
Kingsley Walking Group have two walks each month, meeting at the Community Centre at 9.30am. On the second Tuesday there is a long walk, bring a packed lunch. On the last Wednesday a short walk with a coffee break and a pub lunch. We are a friendly group. For more information tel. 787055 or visit our website at <u>www.kingsley.walkers.btinternet.co.uk</u>

LOST

A small gold, heart shaped cygnet ring with ruby stone.

This ring was lost somewhere between the Red Bull and Town Well.

If you have found this ring please contact Mrs Brown on 788556.







Western Rural Round-up -

Week Commencing 10th January 2011 NPT Voicemail- 0845-458-6393

- 1. A burglary in Ship Street Frodsham this week where two vehicles were taken and one was later found in Runcorn.
- 2. Sightings please for a Ford Transit van index number P 720 MLP. Local people reported this vehicle acting suspiciously in Utkinton.
- 3. Following a fire last Friday afternoon at Frodsham Scout hut we have arrested a 16 yr old youth from Runcom on suspicion of Arson. We are appealing for any information regarding this incident and all calls will be treated in confidence. The youth has been bailed pending further enquiries.
- 4. A Frodsham man has been arrested following an incident where he decided to run across the roofs of 3 vehicles parked outside Frodsham Police Station. He has been arrested for criminal damage and bailed pending further forensic examination.
- 5. 7 youths were arrested late Sunday afternoon after a member of the public noticed them breaking into the Robin Hood Pub in Helsby. The youths, who were from the Helsby, Frodsham and Runcom areas were dealt with in Blacon Custody.
- 6. Reports of fly tipping in Helsby Quarry. Some suitcases were discarded and I would ask that if you see anyone fly tipping please write down the vehicle registration number and we will pass it onto the Local Authority.
- 7. An incident occurred in Tarporley on Monday evening where members of the public reported a lady running in and out of traffic causing problems. My officers attended and arrested the woman for being drunk and disorderly. She was charged and remanded in custody.

Regards

Inspector Phil Hodgson



Kingsley Transition Initiative invites you to a lively evening on March 3rd at 7.30pm at Kingsley Community Centre to learn more about the food you eat.

The evening will have the following

- An entertaining and informative talk from our guest speaker.
- A screening of Food Inc., a film by award winning Robert Kenner, that examines farming methods with the conclusion that large scale agribusiness can produce food that is both unhealthy and environmentally harmful.
- A beef hot pot supper with desert using local produce, (Vegetarian option available). Tea or Coffee

Tickets are available at Kingsley Pharmacy and Happy Beef (Crowton), priced at £7.50 for Adults and £4.50 for children. Please get in touch if you want any more information or have any specific dietary requirements.

Telephone Alison on 07871 450460 We look forward to seeing you for a night to remember

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MOTHERS DAY

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ASH-WORTH TIME BANK UPDATE Rural Wellbeing Project

We are very pleased to report that Ash-worth Time Bank has been awarded a 3 year grant to expand our services. We are in the process of developing a new project - Rural Wellbeing – which will help elderly people, single parents, long term unemployed or older people who have been made redundant. There will be a series of presentations/ workshops to identify the needs of rural people, and look at ways to improve general health, offer free holistic therapy treatment, social groups and advice and information sessions.

If you are interested in participating in this exciting project, please contact Susan on 01829 751398 or email: <u>ash-worthtime@hotmail.co.uk</u>

We are looking for holistic therapists in the Kingsley, Norley and Frodsham areas who would like to become involved in this project. We can offer expenses, and access to regular training.

Pilates Sessions: Hurst Methodist Rooms, Kingsley

Every Tuesday from 1.30pm. £6 per session. A very popular group open to all levels. Please phone Caroline on 01829 751398 to reserve a place.

NEW SOCIAL GROUP SESSION, KINGSLEY Commencing March.

We will be offering free Holistic therapy sessions, Reminiscing Group, Information and Advice, Chairobics and interesting speakers. Refreshments or light lunch will be served. For further information and to reserve a place, please contact Susan on 01829 751398.

Ash-worth Time Bank has over 350 members – membership and all services are entirely free of charge. If you are retired or have been made redundant and would like to get involved in a variety of projects, please contact us – we offer help with training, CV help and a range of services.

NEWSLETTER FROM ST. JOHN'S PRIMARY School: JANUARY 2011



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> HEADTEACHER Mrs Ann Griffiths VISITS WELCOME ANY TIME

Dear Readers,

From all at St John's, I would like to take this opportunity to wish you a happy new year. We had a lovely start to the new term with the whole school visiting the Brindley theatre in Runcorn to see 'Aladdin.' A lovely time was had by all!

We also welcomed a new member of staff to our school, Mr Davies who is working with our younger children and Class 2.

Our specialist sports coach Mr Mason now works with all classes across the school on Wednesdays.

Before Christmas, the children had a busy time.

- Mrs Dymond and I took at a group of older juniors to entertain residents at Newton Care Home. We were so popular they asked us to come back in the New Year.
- The whole school was involved in putting on a very entertaining Christmas production with a modern twist on the nativity story C.H.R.I.S.T.M.A.S spells Christmas!.
- We joined together as a Parish to celebrate at a special service in Norley church on Sunday 19th December. Children from Kingsley St. John's and Norley also played the bell plates a magical sound in that setting.
- Rev Gill Stanning also led a special service in church for Parents/Carers, and all the children were involved in the service. Younger children acted out the Christmas story.
- Children in school enjoyed a range of festive events including a special Christmas dinner and Christmas parties, so the staff and children were ready for a holiday!

Mrs Griffiths, Headteacher, and the staff and children at St. John's.

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Litter Pick Update

On **Saturday 8th January 13** of our litter pick team cleared the village of litter. I was pleased to see that although there was a little more litter than there had been recently, it wasn't too bad. Because of the improved situation we will do our next pick in March then resume our monthly collections. Thank you to the team and also to those who collect litter as they walk around the village. The next litter pick will be on **Saturday 5th March** starting at 10.00 am at the Community Centre. **There will be no February litter pick.** New helpers are always welcome. We provide all the equipment needed.

Eila Birtwistle Litter pick co-ordinator.



KINGSLEY & NEWTON VILLAGE INSTITUTE Top Road, Kingsley

The Committee would like to wish all our members and friends a Happy New Year. We would like to thank everyone who has supported the club in the past twelve months, it has been most appreciated.

What's on in February

Bingo	Monday 7th, 21st	7.30pm
Art	Every Monday	2.00pm
Bridge	Monday 14th, 28th	7.00pm
Spanish	Every Tuesday	9.45am
Line Dancing	Every Tuesday	8.15pm
Spanish	Every Wednesday	9.45am
Quiz	Wednesday 2nd, 16th, 2nd March	8.45pm
Indoor Bowls	Every Thursday	7.00pm
Bridge	Every Friday	10.00am

Everyone is welcome to come and join in the classes above. New people are always welcome. We also have two snooker tables, pool table, darts, two tennis courts and a bowling green.

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Frodsham & District Choral Society

Sarurday 5th March

FDCS are holding a Come and Sing Faurés Requiem and Karl Jenkins The Armed Man Choral Suite event at St. Laurence Church with the popular conductor Howard Kane. All interested singers are welcome to join us. Registration is from 12.45pm, rehearsals start at 1.30pm. There will be a break for drinks mid-afternoon and the rehearsal finishes at 5.15pm, when singers are invited to bring their own tea to eat at the local school hall. Hot drinks will be provided. The concert then follows at 6.30 p.m. in the church.

The registration fee for singers is $\pounds 8$ plus $\pounds 2$ for hire of music if required. The concert is open to the public at a price of $\pounds 5$.

For Registration forms, please phone Margaret Rogerson on 01606 852863or maggierogerson@btinternet.com.

Saturday April 9th, 7.30 pm,

St Laurence Church, Devoted to Dvorak: Dvorak' s Stabat Mater with soloists David Usher, David Shaw and others. Cost: £8, £6 concessions. Tickets Kath Stockdale, 01928 733377 or Frodsham Frames.

Frodsham & District Choral Society

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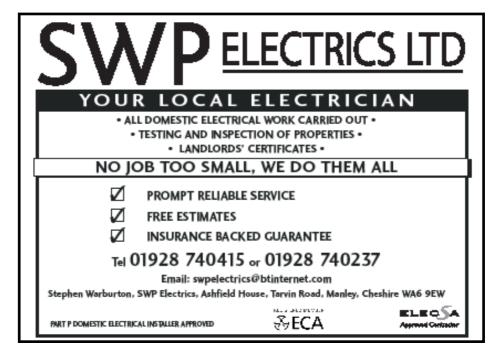
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DATES IN FEBRUARY

Tue 8 Feb - 7.45 for 8.00 pm at The Hurst. Martin Mann speaks on 'The History of Catten Hall' 9.30am Kingsley Walkers meet at KCC
Sun 13 Feb - 8.15 am at St John's PC: United Holy Communion.
Wed 16 Feb - 8.00 pm at the Hurst: Café Church
Fri 18 Feb Half term
Sun 20 Feb Education Sunday
Mon 21 Feb Noon onwards Hurst Young Family Soup Lunch & "Puppet Praise"
Wed 23 Feb 9.30am Kingsley Walkers meet at KCC
28 Feb Schools back
28 Feb to 13 Mar - Fair Trade Fortnight

MARCH DATES

Tue 8 Mar - 7.45 for 8.00 pm at The Hurst: Revd Ian Rigby speaks about 'Hospice Chaplaincy'.

Wed 16 Mar - 8.00 pm at The Hurst: Café Church

Wed 23 Mar - at KCC: Saltmine Theatre Group perform in "From Eden to Eternity"

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