Kingsley Community Association

# **KINGSLEY** NEWS

# NOVEMBER 2008

The news and voice of your village 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 November we think of, and pray for people living in: -

W/c Nov	2nd	Depmore Lane
W/c Nov	9th	The Cross
W/c Nov	16th	Highbank Road Top Road
W/c Nov	23rd	Hollow Lane and St John's School
W/c Nov	30th	Mansefield Road
We invite you to add your own prayers		

# EDITORIAL NEWS AND VIEWS

**Dear Readers** 

It is great news to receive the Community Spirit Award last month and this has been well deserved by the village and all the organisations that have contributed to its recognition.

I am sure that many of you will be aware from reports in the local paper and word of mouth, that the cemetery gates have been stolen. It is despicable that these gates which have been at the cemetery for 150 years, have been taken and probably to be sold for scrap. Can you help with any clues, however small, did you see anything suspicious during the day on Wednesday 15th October. If anyone has any information it could be useful, so please call the Police on 0845 4560000. It is hoped that the gates will be recovered, otherwise the Parish Council will not be able to afford their replacement. For further information please see the Parish Council report.

As we approach Christmas there are a number of events advertised in this magazine. Although things are difficult at the moment it is always good to support local activities, which in turn benefits our community

Elizabeth

Articles for the magazine to be sent to the Editor either by email to - *ewilsonsecretarial@yahoo.co.uk* or posted to Badgers Rake, Hillfoot Lane, Newton, WA6 6SY Tel: 01928 787678 Copy deadline is the 21st of each month

www.kingsleyvillage.co.uk

#### IN MEMORY OF TOM SPROSTON

Following the overwhelming generosity of donations for the late Tom Sproston his family have been able to purchase a much needed piece of medical equipment, a syringe driver, for The Knoll Surgery. During Tom's short illness he was nursed in the community by his loving family and by a team of dedicated nurses and doctors from The Knoll Surgery. Tom's main wish was to remain in his home and this was only possible because he could receive his treatment of medication through a syringe driver.



In addition a donation has been made to Kingsley Church towards the daily running of the building. Tom's family have always had close relations with the Church and Tom was a member of the church choir as a young boy. In later life Tom spent many an enjoyable afternoon playing for the Tiger's Head Bowling Club and a donation has been made towards the construction of a pavilion.

Tom's life was enriched by so many people through his work as a farmer and his love of the countryside and sport. Tom's family are very privileged to be able to make these donations in his memory and on behalf of his family and many friends. Tom's family would like to thank everyone for their support and kindness during his short illness and the continued support given to his wife Gill.

Presentation of the syringe driver to The Knoll Surgery. Lefft to right: Jeremy Sproston, Dot Shankshaft, Gill Sproston, Dr Ben Richardson, Sarah Sproston, Dr Patrick Milroy, Richard Sproston



### THANK YOU

Brenda, John, Paula and Gordon wish to thank everyone for the cards, flowers and phone calls during Jim's illness and at the time of his death, as well as their attendance at the funeral and all the generous donations. We are overwhelmed by all the love and support we have received.

Thank you from all of us.

Brenda Stockton

### VILLAGE CHRISTMAS HOT POT LUNCH

At The Village Institute Top Road

Sunday 14th December 12.30 for 1.00pm

**Tickets £4.50 from the Post Office** 

**ALL WELCOME** 

Enquiries 01928 788347

#### KINGSLEY PARISH HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY RESULTS

Earlier this year Parish Housing Needs Surveys were conducted for Alvanley, Crowton, Kingsley, Manley and Norley. These are intended to be considered in conjunction with one another to give an indication of need across the region. One would not expect a high level of need in a small village

Here is an overall summary of the 5 Parish Housing Needs Surveys:

- 1. 379 households across five Parishes completed and returned responses. This represents an average response rate of 23%, which is in line with the national average for such Surveys.
- 2. A total of 75 households, representing at least 134 people, across five Parishes considered themselves to be in housing need. 26 of these households are from Kingsley Parish.
- 3. 39 of these 75 households considered themselves in need now and 36 of these households anticipate that they will be in need within the next five years.

*Excluding* those registering their own need for affordable housing, the average support for a small scheme of affordable housing for local people is 65%. The support from Kingsley Parish is 69%.

The data supports one scheme of around 10 affordable properties now and another scheme of around 10 within five years i.e. before Spring 2013. This could be one scheme in Kingsley and one scheme in Norley.

The Analysis Report can be found in full at the website <u>www.kingsleyvillage.co.uk</u> or contact Phil Addison.

#### So where do we go from here?

Identifying small sites which prove to be acceptable to both Planners and the local community is a fundamental obstacle to rural housing development. Land has to be in an appropriate location and relate well to HOUSING NEEDS SURVEY RESULTS (Cont...)

the village. Any site would have to meet many conditions, such as Highway access.

The price that can be paid for suitable land is from £5,000 per property, which would be enhanced with Housing Corporation Grant Funding. If there are any land owners within the Parish interested in affordable homes provision please contact Phil Addison or your Parish Council. If there are alternative sites to consider, the public will be consulted further.

Phil Addison 01606 867879. phil.addison@valeroyal.gov.uk



#### **KINGSLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

#### <u>Play area</u>

We have been informed by the contractors that the Play area should be handed over to the Parish Council by the end of October. It is hoped to have an opening photo shoot after the half term holiday.

We are currently looking into ensuring that additional fencing will be installed around the Junior section of the play area.

#### **Cemetery**

As you are all no doubt aware our Cemetery Gates were stolen on the 15<sup>th</sup> October.

Council have agreed to wait for 3 months in the hope that they may be recovered but new gates will cost in excess of £10,000. At the moment Council do not have funding to cover this and would be seeking at least 80% of grant funding. If this is not forthcoming, unfortunately, the gates will not be replaced.

#### **Footpath Walks Books**

The new parish walks map has now been printed and will be available for sale at £1.00 from the local Chemists Shop.

#### **Community Liaison**

The Parish Council are keen to know all about the activities that take place in Kingsley and would like to offer support where possible. If you have any information please contact either Councillor <u>m.barker@barkerrobb.co.uk</u> or The Parish Clerk at <u>DWoods7622@aol.com</u>

#### **Remembrance day Commemorations**

The Remembrance Service will take place at St.John's Church at 10.00am followed by the wreath laying ceremony at the Cenotaph in the Cemetery at 11.00am. Everybody is welcome.

Doreen Woods Parish Clerk

# Community Spirit Entry – Regional Competition

Hopefully everyone has seen the Community Spirit award proudly displayed on the Cross (it's on the finger post). As you know, we now have to put an entry together for the Regional Competition. We have made a great start, collecting lots of information about activities and events going on in the village. Now we'd like to add information about the regular acts of kindness around the village. For example, people who call in on neighbours when they are unwell, or collect newspapers for friends and neighbours. It would be great if we could collect some stories from the helpers and the helped. Don't be shy – this is our chance to tell the world about how we are.

During November we are going to try to photograph something of note on each day. This will include things going on at the Community Centre, on the field, at the Village Institute and at both schools. Can you help? We need photographers, and information about where things are happening. We will display the photos on the day of the judges visit and possibly make a permanent display.

If you'd like to take part in any way at all, please call. Everyone is welcome, even if you only have an hour or two to spare.

Vony Gwillim 01928 789098

### **Kingsley Birds**

As the last leaves fall from the trees around the village, it's a great time to see birdlife in and around the parish.

October and November will see the arrival of many winter visitors to the British Isles with a number popping up in Kingsley such as Fieldfare, Redwing, Brambling, Woodcock and Wigeon as well as the resident species.

The surrounding fields and woodlands are a haven for birdlife, but as the days grow shorter and food becomes more and more scarce, it is a perfect time of the year to attract birds into your garden and bring them closer into view. Feeders filled with peanuts will attract Blue Tits, Great Tits, Coal tits and Sparrows, seed feeders will attract Finches, Nuthatches and Robins whilst Fat feeders will attract Woodpeckers, Long-tailed Tits and Starlings, always remembering to place them well away from any cover to prevent cats from concealing themselves.

Most people will have been woken in the morning with the wonderful sound of skeins of Canada and Greylag geese moving from their roost in Delamere heading down to the Weaver as the skim over the village roof tops honking as they go in up to 600 at a time. This fantastic seasonal site lessens into November and December as the Geese are become scattered by local Wildfowlers taking a few for the pot.

Over the last few years I have been keeping a list of the bird species within the village which now runs to 66 with a few rarities, most notably was the Little Egret seen in September 2007. This spectacular white bird "Heron like" bird was in all probability on passage to the South Coast of England or further South to the Mediterranean.

So when you're out and about, keep your eyes peeled as you never know what you will see, Buzzards sat on posts are plentiful, dusk is a great time to see Owls, with early morning being a great time to see and hear birds in full song.

If you have any additions to the list, then please e mail me at <a href="mailto:cheshire.gun@hotmail.co.uk">cheshire.gun@hotmail.co.uk</a>

Helsby High School Parents' Society extends a hearty welcome to their 7<sup>th</sup>

# **Craft Fayre**

# Sunday

# 16 November '08

11am to 3pm at

# Helsby High School

# Come and join us at this hugely successful annual event

There is ample off road parking. *Have lunch with us –* light refreshments will be on sale.

# **2008 Community Pride Results**

In 2006, Kingsley came last in the Community Pride Competition for villages with a population of 1001 to 2,500. In 2007 we won the "Most Improved Village" and in 2008 we came 4<sup>th</sup>. There are 10 villages in our group.

We scored "Excellent" for the following:

- Exterior of Schools and visible playgrounds/ playing fields
- Libraries, medical centres and surrounding areas (this will be the Doctor's surgery)
- The Cemetery
- Floral Displays
- Litterbins
- Absence of litter (FULL MARKS!)
- Absence of graffiti
- Absence of dog fouling
- Absence of chewing gum residue.

The judges commented on the areas around the cricket club, the Community Centre and the Scout hut. Areas of the brook which are overgrown are also identified as being in need of attention.

This was a good report. To win, we'll need to improve on areas marked as "Very Good" which is a huge improvement on 2006 when we got no "Excellent" marks and few "Very Good". It's clear that we can win, with some targeted effort.

This was a heartening report and it's great to see that the litter pickers' work achieved full marks. Shall we go for it next year?

#### Litter Pick Update

The October litter pick saw a fantastic 12 of us who collected 13 bags of rubbish. Thank you to the team and also to those who collect litter as they walk around the village.

The next litter picks will be on Saturday 8th

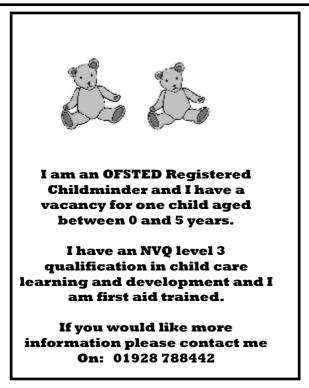
Novemberand Saturday 13th

**December**. Both 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**

The Committee and members would once again like to thank Mr Gordon Haines of Heath Insurance for sponsoring our end of season bowling competition. We really do appreciate all Mr Haines has done to help our club.

U	17th Nov, 1st Dec 26th Nov, 10th Dec	7.30pm 8.30pm
Spanish Line Dancing	Every Tuesday	9.30-11.30am 7.30-11.30pm
Spanish	Every Wednesday	10.00-12.00
Keep Fit Indoor Bowls	Every Thursday	2.45-3.45pm 7.30-10.00pm
Bridge	Every Friday	10-12.00 and 1.30-3.30pm

Anyone welcome to come along and join in our acitivities, snooker, pool, darts, table tennis, tennis courts.

Our club is for hire for parties etc. We also provide a catering service.

#### Kingsley WI

At the October meeting we had a joint presentation by a magistrate (John Woulds) and a probation officer (Rosie Rowntree) about community sentencing. The presentation was based on a case in which an elderly lady has her handbag stolen in the street by a young woman. We were asked the question: should the young woman go to prison for this crime, or are there alternative ways of dealing with her?

This provoked much lively discussion, but the speakers managed to keep the proceedings more or less on track, and, by the end of the evening, we had all gained an insight into the different options for sentencing offenders, the process which magistrates have to go through when making decisions in court and the assistance given to them by probation officers.

This October Luncheon Club will be held on 24th at the Fourways at Oakmere and the Walking Group are meeting at Great Budworth on 13th followed by a pub lunch.

The next monthly meeting on November 5th will be the AGM. This will be followed by an Heirlooms Evening where members are asked to bring a family keepsake with a story which can be shared.

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#### Soup lunch and Puppet Praise

Are you a parent or carer of pre-school children? Why not join other parents and carers at the next Hurst young family soup lunch on Monday November 24<sup>th</sup> at 12 noon at The Hurst Chapel. After a family friendly lunch, toys are put out so you can have

your cup of tea while we play with your children. All this for only £3 a family! At 1pm you have the option to stay for Puppet Praise in the Church.

This is a 15 minute service for babies and small children. Come and listen to stories told with the use of puppets. Sing, dance, wiggle and jump with Barney the Bear.



Come to the lunch, come to Puppet Praise or come to both!

# CONGRATULATIONS TO BENJAMIN PILGRIM

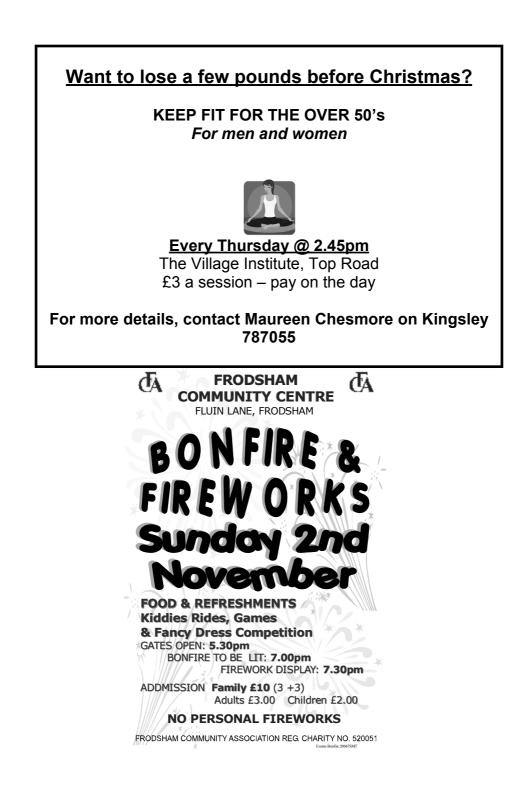
A Student Pilot at Liverpool Flying School who at the age 17 has just completed his FIRST SOLO FLIGHT in a Piper PA38 Tomahawk Single Engine Aircraft, and is well on his way to gaining his Private Pilots Licence.

Well Done on passing your Ground School Flying Exams, your Flight Radio Telephony Operators Licence and Air Law & Human Performance. Good Luck with your Meteorology Exam!

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#### WELL DONE BEN

We're all very proud of you! ~from all your family & friends~



#### KINGSLEY CRICKET CLUB







- Now that the cricket season has ended the Club is concentrating on improving facilities at The Croft Cricket Ground for the benefit of all cricketers and spectators. The England and Wales Cricket Board have approved a grant application for provision of a "water hog". This pitch drying equipment should improve the chances of play if we have yet another wet summer.
- Grant applications are also in hand for a number of other items of equipment and in the slightly longer term the Club is hoping to achieve funding for greatly improved net practice facilities.
- The Club AGM takes place on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2008 but because of the Kingsley News deadline details of the new Club Officers will not be available until the next edition of Kingsley News.
- Kingsley Cricket Club Annual Dinner and Presentation Evening has been organised for Friday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2008 at the Fourways Restaurant Delamere. Full details of awards winners in the next edition of Kingsley News.
- As always the Club welcomes anyone interested in joining whether as player or social member, sponsor, coach, scorer, 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: <u>www.kingsley.play-cricket.com</u>. Club secretary Keith Trenell can be contacted on : 01928 788465

# <u>Wizzies</u> Out Of School Club

We are looking to take on more staff at the before and after school clubs in Kingsley, also holiday club. We are an equal opportunities employer and can also offer the opportunity to train in childcare. If you are interested in working with children then contact:

# Claire Weedall :- 07709889373



#### KINGSLEY TIME BANK UPDATE:



**Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2pm : Kingsley Time Bank Social Group, Kingsley Community Centre.** Guest Speaker: Rina Tinninger: Talk: Yankee Doodle! A light hearted look at the difference between England and America. Refreshments Served and Raffle. To reserve a place please phone: 01829 751398.

Ash-worth Time Bank Christmas Craft Fair: Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> November from 10am – 4.30pm: Kelsall Community Centre, Church Road, Kelsall. Come along and shop early for Christmas! 30 unique craft stands, face painting, tombola, raffle, mulled wine and refreshments plus special book signing by local children's author

#### FUNDRAISING CO-ORDINATOR REQUIRED FOR KINGSLEY

**TIME BANK:** Are you interested in Fundraising and Events? We are looking for a Fundraising Co-Ordinator for the Kingsley and Frodsham area. All expenses paid, plus the chance to undertake specialist training. A good opportunity for someone who is considering returning to work or gain experience as a fundraiser. For an informal chat, please phone Susan on 01829 751398 or email: susanrossfaragher@live.co.uk

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They have produced a calendar which is based on the WI Calendar of a few years ago, with twelve pictures of men and women, tastefully posing behind pieces of Air Ambulance equipment and which is printed on high quality gloss paper.

If you were involved in an accident – let's say tomorrow on the M53, M56, M62, M6 or on a road with poor and restricted access, isn't it good to know that the Air Ambulance can be with you very quickly (usually within ten minutes) to take you to hospital.

HELP THEM TO HELP YOU GET TO HOSPITAL QUICKER!

#### ORDER FORM

Please tear off and leave in your empty bottle:

If you would like more information or would like to purchase other promotional goods, please go to <u>www.northwestairambulance.com</u> or tick here ......, for Frank to obtain a printout of their merchandise for you.

# **Kingsley Parent and Toddler Group**



Every Wednesday (term time) 9:30 to 11:30 am Kingsley Community Centre

Parents/carers with children aged 0 to 5. £2 per family (refreshments and craft included)

#### Starting up again from Wednesday November 5<sup>th</sup>, use us or lose us!!

For information contact Beth 01928 788338 or Jacq 01928 788470



Nov 2008



# **BEWARE OF THIS SCAM**

The Trading Standards Office are making people aware of the following scam.

A card is posted through your door from a company called PDS (Parcel Delivery Service) suggesting that they were unable to deliver a parcel and that you need to contact them on 0906 6611911 (a premium rate number). DO NOT call this number, as this is a mail scam originating from Belize .

If you call the number and you start to hear a recorded message you will already have been billed  $\pounds 15$  for the phone call.

As Christmas is fast approaching please be extra careful.

Please advise family members/Friends.

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Well!! What an awful summer we have had. Continuous rain and showers have made harvesting very difficult and frustrating.

The wheat harvest was finally completed on the 26<sup>th</sup> September, roughly one month behind other years. Wheat yields were generally higher than last year despite the moisture content being very high. All the wheat has had to be dried in our grain dryer which, with the price of gas is very expensive. Most of the wheat was cut at around 20% moisture, and it had to be dried down to 15%. Just to make life even more difficult, the price of wheat has fallen to half of what it was last year.

The oil seed rape harvest dragged on from end July to Mid August. The incessant rain knocked the rape plants over causing seeds to shed and the flat crop also allowed woodpigeons to land on them and eat the seed.

When the flat wet rape was finally harvested, it all needed drying before it could be sold. The only bright spot on the horizon was that the price of the rapeseed oil follows the price of oil, so was at an all time high – over £100 per tonne more than last year.

As if I was not busy enough during August, we got a letter from the State Veterinary Service saying that some of our cattle had got to be tested for TB (Tuberculosis). We have to test all our cattle annually for TB and we usually do this during January when the cattle are inside and easy to catch and handle. This time of year all our cattle are outside in the fields and it means walking them all back to the yard, testing them and walking them back again. We had to test 50 cattle, which were spread in three batches across the holding, so it took all day. The vet injects the cattle in the neck and three days later, we have to catch them all again to check the animals' neck. If the injection site has swollen up to the size of a golf ball, it is called a re-actor (because it has re-acted to the injection), and has to be culled. The government pays the market price for re-actor animals and slaughter and incinerate them.. We were called upon to do the extra TB test because 50 of our cattle had come from a dairy farm that had had several re-actors, so ours had to be tested

to make sure they had not been infected before we bought them. We were relieved to find that all our cattle were fit and healthy.

The potato harvest is finally coming to an end. It started so well in May and June with good crops and a good price, but the continuous rain firstly caused potato blight to get into the crop. This causes infected potatoes to rot and turn to mush, so the whole of the infected field becomes un-saleable. Secondly, the wet weather and wet ground conditions slowed down harvesting and has caused some potatoes to perish and get eaten by slugs in the ground. On top of that, potato prices have halved over the last couple of months. This is also due to the wet summer and autumn. Potatoes that should be harvested and put into store for the winter are being sold straight away because there is so many rots and disease in them, therefore over supplying the market.

You have all heard of the Credit Crunch, but now farming is in the Cereal Crunch! Prices of cereals are down to half of what they were last year, but fertiliser has more than doubled to ridiculous levels. Potash has risen from £120 tonne this time last year to over £600 tonne now. Nitrogen has risen from £150 to around £400 now.

Our Educational Access visits are coming to a close now for the winter. We have conducted over 70 visits since spring at both Hatley and Depmore Farm, and would like to thank all the local schools and organisations that have supported us during the season and made this so successful and rewarding.

We have three little tom kittens from our litter, if anyone is interested. One black/white, one tabby, and one tabby/white. They will be ready for Christmas, contact Liz

GRAHAM WARBURTON E-mail warbies.depmore@btinternet.com Tel: 01928 788329



# CAN YOU HELP US CONTACT OLD FRIENDS?

I was brought up in Norley in the sixties.

My wife Anne Wakefield was brought up in Depmore Lane, Kingsley.

We both went to Kingsley secondary school and would like to contact people from that time, say 1962 until 1980.

We were married in Norley Church.

Anthony & Anne Worrall Tel no not available - please contact Editor with information.



KU17's

KU17's has been running successfully for four years, but due to ill health with a couple of organisation members we would appreciate anyone willing to join the team, which meets about once a month at a local pub.

There is very little involvement of running KU17's on a Wednesday evening as we have very good Youth Workers.

Please contact either Karen Richards (Secretary) on 01928 788722 or Ellen Lewis on 01928 787305





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 Childrens' 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 <u>all</u> ages welcome!

Where? St John's Church, Kingsley When? Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> December, 4.30pm.



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



#### KINGSLEY COMMUNITY PRIMARY & NURSERY SCHOOL

Middle Lane Kingsley Frodsham Cheshire WA6 6TZ Tel. 01928 788436

email: admin@kingsleycp.cheshire.sch.uk Headteacher: Mrs F Rimmer B.Ed Hons, NPQH

Dear Readers September and October have been very busy months in school:

Our Year 5 and Year 6 children visited **PGL** in Shropshire for 3 days to take



part in outdoor adventure activities. The visit was a huge success where many children (and staff) overcame their fear of heights as they took part in

abseiling, travelling along the high ropes and leaping onto the trapeze.

The children also took part in a range of other activities including canoeing, the egg race, archery and aeroball.





For more photographs, please see our website: www.kingsleycp.che shire.sch.uk

#### Indian Dancing

We began the year with two days of Indian Dancing led by Adeela who has visited our school on many occasions. The children learnt how to do some bhangra and bollywood dances.



#### School Newspaper

Our Newspaper club have published their first edition of the school newspaper which featured articles, interviews, pu



featured articles, interviews, puzzles and photographs of the children by the children. It proved to be very popular and we all thoroughly enjoyed reading it.

#### Harvest

We celebrated our Harvest Festival in school recently. This was well attended and many people contributed to the selection of tinned goods (and duvets!) which were gratefully received by Chester City Mission. F Rimmer (Headteacher)



#### KINGSLEY WALKING GROUP

Fourteen people enjoyed a five mile walk from Hale Village to the lighthouse alongside the Mersey estuary on 24 Sept, in cloudy weather, followed by lunch at 'The Childe of Hale'.

The long walk on 14 October was a seven-miler from Lindow Common. The forecast was for rain and only five resolute villagers participated. However, the weather was good for the most part, and we enjoyed our lunch in pleasant sunshine admiring the autumn colours.

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



#### **NOVEMBER 2008**

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

It is pleasing that all four primary schools have entered this year's Christmas card competition. We are most grateful to our judges, Mo Evans and Tony Snowball, who have the difficult job of deciding the winners, who will be announced in the December edition of Kinglsey News.

Once again Norley Methodist Church is holding a Christmas Tree Festival. It starts on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November and finishes with a service at 4:00 pm on Advent Sunday, 30<sup>th</sup> November.

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

#### Methodist

St. John the Evangelist, Kingsley	The Hurst Methodist Church, Kingsley
St. John the Evangelist, Norley	Blakelees Chapel, Kingsley
Christ Church, Crowton.	Norley Methodist Church

#### Roman Catholic

St Luke's Church, Frodsham

### Clergy

Anglican	Vicar: Rev Peter Rugen 787180
Methodist	Minister: Rev Steve Santry 722102 Superintendent Minister: Rev Pat Christopher 733180
Roman Catholic	Priest: Mgr Canon Peter O'Neill 733127
Church Services	
	an Catholic Church is St Luke's, Frodsham. Services are: 9.00AM, 11:00 AM 9:30 AM (Tuesdays 7:15 PM) 6:00 PM

#### Sunday 2nd November

Holy Communion	The Hurst	
Holy Communion	Christ Church, Crowton	
Morning Worship	The Hurst	
Celebrating Together	St John Kingsley	
Holy Communion	Norley Methodist	
Thanksgiving and Remen	brance Service (with Blakelees)	The
Evening Prayer (with Met	thodists) St John Norley	
	Holy Communion Morning Worship Celebrating Together Holy Communion Thanksgiving and Remen	Holy CommunionChrist Church, CrowtonMorning WorshipThe HurstCelebrating TogetherSt John Kingsley

#### Thursday 6th November

10:00AM	Holy Communion	St John, Norley	
Sunday 9th ]	November (Remembrance	e Sunday)	
8:15 AM	Holy Communion	St John Kingsley	

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10:00 AM	Remembrance Service (v	with Kingsley Methodists)	St John Kings-
ley			
10:45 AM	Remembrance Service	St John Norley	
10:45 AM	Remembrance Service	Christ Church, Crowton	
10:45 AM	Morning Worship	Norley Methodist	
6:30 PM	Evening Worship (with	The Hurst) Blakelees	
6:30 PM	Holy Communion	Norley Methodist	

#### Thursday 13th November

10:00AM	Holy Communion	Christ Church, Crowton
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#### Sunday 16th November

9:00 AM	Norley @ 9 Norley 1	Methodist
10:00 AM	Morning Worship	The Hurst
10:15 AM	Celebrating Together	Christ Church, Crowton
10:45 AM	Morning Worship	Norley Methodist
6:30 PM	Holy Communion (with	The Hurst and Norley Methodists)
Blakelee	es	

#### Thursday 20th November

10:00 AM	Holy Communion	St John Kingsley
nday 23	Brd November	
8:15 AM	Holy Communion	St John Norley
10:00 AM	Holy Communion	The Hurst
10:15 AM	Celebrating Together	Christ Church, Crowton
10:45 AM	Morning Worship	Norley Methodist
6:30 PM	Evening Worship (with th	e Hurst) Blakelees

6:30 PM Evening Worship Norley Methodist

#### Thursday 27th November

10:00 AM	Holy Communion	St John Norley	
Sunday 30th No	ovember (Advent Sunday)		
8:15 AM	Holy Communion	St John Kingsley	
10:00 AM	Morning Worship	The Hurst	
10:15 AM	Celebrating Together	St John Norley	
10:45 AM	Morning Worship	Norley Methodist	
4:00 PM	Christmas Tree Festival c	losing service all are invited.	Nor-
ley Methodist			

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

Kingsley Bible Study Group: Monday evening. CTCKN Ecumenical discussion group: alternate Thursday evenings (9 Oct, 23 Oct, 6 Nov, 20 Nov) contact 788706 Kingsley Prayer Group: Friday morning.

#### Other events

CTCKN meeting: 19 Acres Crescent, Thursday 13th November 7:30 PM 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 Methodist Circuit Youth Fellowship: 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays, 6:30 – 8:30 at Helsby Manse. Contact Steve Santry 722102 Norley Ecumenical Ladies' Group: 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday Norley Walking Group: 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday Norley Craft Club: Tuesday 10:00 – 12:00 Hurst Guild: 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday evening Norley St John : Crazy Friday Fun Club

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#### NOVEMBER NEWSLETTER FROM ST. JOHN'S PRIMARY SCHOOL:



Hollow Lane Kingsley Frodsham Cheshire WA6 8EF Tel: (01928) 788536 Fax: (01928) 787600 email: head@kingsley-stjohns.cheshire.sch.uk

Head teacher: Mrs A. Griffiths Dear Readers,

October was a busy time at school with lots of interesting things happening....

- Our Arts Celebration Evening was a great success, with the children, staff and local artists showing off their artistic talents. St. John's is proud to have achieved the prestigious Artsmark Gold Award in recognition of their work across the arts. We viewed framed pictures of the children's work in a specially constructed gallery, and also admired the work of our MDA Ellen Lewis, parent Lucy Geldenhuys and local artists, June Grinney and Tony Evans. Mrs Geldenhuys also worked with a small group of children across the school to produce some impressive works on canvas. Parents and visitors had the opportunity to mingle with staff and pupils, to partake of refreshments kindly provided by the Friends, wander into the classrooms to admire the hard work of children and discuss photographs of the school from today and yester years...
- If there any parents in the community or further affield who missed the opportunity to come on the evening, and would like to see what St.John's could offer your child, please do feel free to visit ring Mrs Booth for an appointment and the children would be delighted to show you around!

Other news ..

- We welcomed our new vicar Peter Rugen to the Parish, and he also led a special Harvest Festival in church.
- The children, Parish and parents generously contributed towards funds for our international partner school in Soweto, South Africa taken by Mrs Hill and Mrs Browne on a visit to the school in October.
- The Friends of the School also held a special Spooky Disco for the children the costumes were amazing!
- Junior children had the chance to make some amazing electric fair ground models led by our experts Elliot, Imogen L, Imogen W and Harry who had attended a special workshop with other small schools in the locality to learn how to construct them.

#### Ann Griffiths Headteacher

# DATES IN NOVEMBER

Sat 1 Nov All Saints Day

Sun 2 Nov – 6.30 pm at The Hurst:

Thanksgiving and Remembrance Service for the recently bereaved *Mon 3 Nov – Schools back* 

Sun 9 Nov Remembrance Sunday

- 10.00 am at St John Kingsley: United Service of Remembrance

Mon 10 Nov - Noon to 1.00 pm: Hurst Soup Lunch

Tue 11 Nov - 7.45 for 8.00 pm at The Hurst:

An alternative view of climate change, by Neil Hampshire

15 Nov - Kingsley Players "Allo, allo"

Tue 18 Nov: Time Bank event

Mon 24 Nov - Noon at the Hurst: Family Lunch and "Puppet Praise"

Sun 30 Nov Advent Sunday

- 4.00 pm at Norley Meth Church: United Service for Advent

## LOOKING AHEAD TO DECEMBER

1 Dec World AIDS Day

At The Hurst: WI Carol Service

Sun 7 Dec - 10.00 am: Hurst Family Praise. Gift and Parade Service

Mon 8 Dec - Noon to 1.00 pm: Hurst Christmas Soup Lunch

Sat 13 Dec - Carol singing in the Forest

Fri 19 Dec – Schools Christmas holiday

Sat 20 Dec at The Hurst: "Too Busy to Stop?".

Take time out to experience the true meaning of Christmas.

Sun 21 Dec - 6.30 pm: Hurst candle-lit Carol Service

Tue 23 Dec - 4.00 pm at The Hurst: Christingle Service

Wed 24 Dec Christmas Eve - 11.30 pm: Midnight Communion

Thu 25 Dec Christmas Day - 10.00 am: Family Worship



### **GARDEN CLUB**

Walking around my garden this morning I was amazed by the wonderful colours still on display. Purple asters, bright pink nerines, flame coloured dahlias and multi coloured chrysanthemums. After such a soggy summer, a bright, sunny autumnal morning is such a bonus. At this time of year gardeners are very busy. Now is the time to bring in those tender plants that need protection from frost or damp conditions.

Containers can be replanted with heathers, ivy and winter pansies. Hardy perennials can be split up and replanted (with 'spares' given to friends!).

I like to leave seed heads on plants over the winter months to feed the birds and for decorative effect, but seeds can also be collected now and stored until sowing in spring. For really high quality flowers now is the time to sow sweet pea seeds. I like to plant mine in polystyrene cups which keep the young plants insulated against winter cold.

There is still time to plant tulip bulbs in an open, sunny position at least 8" deep - even daffodils,crocus and iris can be planted for a late spring show.

One of my favourite spring flowers is the Primula Auricula. I have just re-potted my collection in readiness to pop them into the greenhouse until spring. They are happy in their individual clay pots which show them off to perfection. They are equally happy in the garden border. My husband made me a small 'theatre' to display them as they would have done in the eighteenth century, although they have been cultivated in this country since around 1580.

I love the fancy show auriculas which can be expensive to buy although my two favourites were bought quite cheaply in Frodsham market! If you are interested in learning more about Primulas and Auriculas then do come along to Kingsley Garden Club's next meeting on Monday 10th November, (8pm in the Community Centre) when our speaker will be Ingrid Millington from Hillview Hardy Plants in Bridgenorth, - let's hope she brings some plants for sale! Visitors are very welcome.

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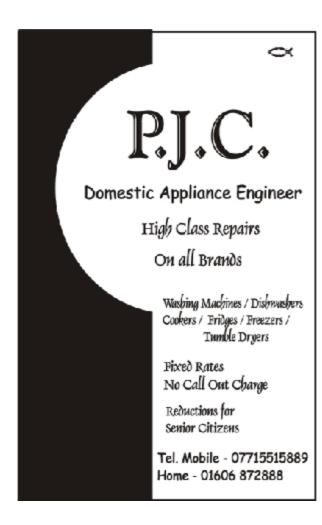
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# Frodsham Music and Arts Club

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FRIDAY 19 September	<u>Chamber Music Treasures</u> - a very hig welcome for the Devas Plano Trie. Long established at music festivals around the UK these brilliant professional performers make their debut at the Club with music by Mozart and Schubert.			
FRIDAY 17 October	Effends from the Phil - Jonathan Aasgaard, cello and Ian Buckle, piano Export great playing and lovely music from the Royal Liverpool Philharmonic Orchestra's principal cello and resident planist prior to release of their latest CD			
FRIDAY	Swing that Thing - enjoy yourself with the Booth Street West jazz sexter.			
2i November	Prepare for an evening of hot forties music from both sides of the Atlantic.			
FRIDAY	<i>Christmas Special</i> - party food, joby atmosphere, surprise musical features			
19 December	Kick-start the festive season with stunning performances and a great right out!			
THURSDAY	<u>Steinmay Concert Grand Celebrity Recital - BORIS GLTBURG, plano.</u>			
29 January	Another coup for the Club the young Russian born prodigy and EMI recording			
at Frodsham	artist - taking the world by storm with rave reviews for concerts in Europe and			
S&T College	Amarica - returns by popular demand to play Beethoven, Brahms and Grieg.			
FRIDAY	Literpaol's Cultural Landropp: - Stephen Guy on Museums and Galleries.			
20 February	Illustrated talk on the city's artistic institutions by press officer Stephen Guy			
FRIDAY 20 March	<b><u>Petformers a Plenty</u> - an inspiring evening with Eva Warren and Friends</b> The Club offers a platform to talented young performers selected and presented by the well known accompanist and teacher - a revelation of musical ability.			
FRIDAY	<i>Highlighting Harmonies</i> - vocal music from the Cheshire Chord Company			
17 April	This prize winning large a cappella temale chorus make their first Club visit.			
THURSDAY	Fund Raising Coffee Morning, Church Hall, Church Street - 10.00 to 12.00.			
30 April	Paper back books, cakes, bric-a-brac needed for sale. Please support this event.			
FRIDAY	Super-Sound Duo - Heleo Southall, sexephone and Racwyn Bailey, plana.			
15 May	An enriching sonic experience of attmative pieces from these expert performers			
FRIDAY	Abbual General Meeting, then a chance to meet the officers and committee			
19 June	informally at a Social Evening with refreshments; all members are velopme.			
Annual Membership - £13.00 for admission to the whole season of events - available at the door.         Guests Welcame       - children under 16 admitted free if accompanied by a member or adult guest.         Club Secretary       - Margaret Dodd, tel 01928 722282. The Club is grateful for support by the Vale Royal Rorough and Arts Councils, North-West Arts (piano hom), and Prodsham Town Council.				

PLEASE NOTE DAY AND VENUE FOR JANUARY EVENT

#### **DIARY OF NOVEMBER EVENTS**

2nd	Bonfire & Fireworks Cabaret Evening	Frodsham CC. Frodsham C.C.		7.00pm 7.30pm	8th 8th
	Litter Pick	Comm. C		10.00am	10th
	Fashion Show	Fordsham			7pm
11th	Kingsley Walking Grou	up C	Comm. Centre	9.30am 16th	
	Craft Fayre	Helsby H	igh School	11-3 26th	
	Kingsley Walking Grou	up C	Comm. Centre	9.30am 29th	ı
	Christmas Fayre 10.30am	C	Comm.	Centre	
	10.50am				

December

14th	Christmas Hot Pot Lunch	Institute	12.30

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