

# KINGSLEY NEWS

**NOVEMBER 2012** 

The news and voice of your village Community

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#### KINGSLEY COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION **OFFICERS 2011/12012**

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#### **COUNCIL MEMBERS (elected)**

Della Bunney, Sue Elliott, David Fletcher, Carol Rowlands,

#### **COUNCIL MEMBERS (not elected)**

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

#### The Hurst Souperstars' SOUP LUNCH

Monday 12th November 2012 Noon to 1.00pm

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Home-made Soups and Dessert. Tea or Coffee -- only £2.50 all in. \*\*\*\*\*

> All proceeds in aid of "Chester Street Pastors" :

Christian volunteers who walk the streets of Chester on busy weekend nights, to care, listen & offer practical help to those they meet, where they are.

## EDITORIAL NEWS AND VIEWS

#### Dear Readers

November is upon us and it was certainly cold last weekend. Winter has definitely arrived and it is the time of year to start thinking about Christmas! St John's Christmas Fayre will be held on 24th November with lots of goodies to buy. Then on 30th November the Frodsham lights will be switched on, and it will really start to feel like Christmas.

The Christmas theme continues with Kingsley Players eagerly awaited performance of The Amazing Mr Scrooge in December. Tickets are selling fast.

Thanks to everyone who helped with the bulb planting around the village. I am looking forward to seeing a wonderful display of colour next spring.,



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

Tel: 01928 787678

Copy deadline is the 21st of each month

www.kingsleyvillage.co.uk

#### ST. JOHN'S CHURCH, KINGSLEY



## CHRISTMAS FAIR

# SATURDAY 24<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER Opening at 10.30 am in KINGSLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE

Entertainment from St. John's Schoolchildren

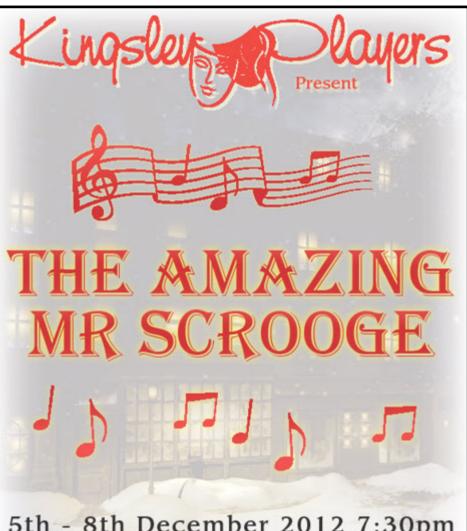
Special St. John's School Stalls
Tombola Raffle
Stationery & Crafts Cakes
Home Produce Books

Children's New Toys Jewellery

VISIT FROM FATHER CHRISTMAS



COFFEE & MUFFINS SERVED
ALL MORNING
DELICIOUS BACON & CHEESE BAPS



5th - 8th December 2012 7:30pm Matinée on Saturday 8th 2:15pm Kingsley Community Centre

Tickets from Box Office - Kingsleyplayers.co.uk, Holland Pharmacy, or Telephone 07925 516760

Music by W A Ashbrook

Libretto by P Ashbrook and W A Ashbrook

Director Mary Lightfoot



#### CATCHING THE MOMENT

Exhibition of sculpture by Tony Evans At The London Rd Studios, Northwich, CW9 5HH

Exhibition open to the public: Monday 29th October to Friday 23rd November 2012 12 noon till 4pm daily

Opening reception: Tuesday 30th October 6pm

Life Drawing study days: (booking essential)
Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> November 10 till 4pm
Working in the gallery participants take inspiration from the
figurative sculpture, a life model & from the stained glass
windows in the former Gymnasium which depict
athletic endeavour.

Enquiries to Carolyn Shepherd tel: 07848008145

Overflow parking at Weaver Hall Museum. Please, no street parking in The Crescent.

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#### Macmillan Coffee Morning

Just a short note to thank everyone who supported the coffee morning, both by their attendance and donations to the stalls. The atmosphere was really convivial and it was good to see such an age range.

We would like to thank the local businesses who made donations.

The magnificent sum of £885.34 was raised for the Macmillan Cancer Support Nurses – a cause that touches so many of us.

See you next year Mary, Sue and Lynne

#### KINGSLEY THEATRE GROUP

16 people from the local area made their first visit to the Opera House in Manchester for the performance of Dolly Parton's 9 to 5. It was an excellent show and from the comments received afterwards it was a great success. So why not book your place on our next outing.

The Lion King is now closed ,with 19 people having booked their places, however there are still places available for Cats, see separate advert

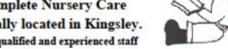
The aim of the Kingsley Theatre Group is to offer local people the chance to attend productions as a group, in good company, and without the hassle of driving there and parking etc. It is hoped that a minimum of 16 will attend each performance.

If you would like to attend one of our forthcoming events please ring Ray Wilson on 01928 787678.



Kingsley & District Nursery St. Johns C of E Primary School.

Complete Nursery Care centrally located in Kingsley. Fully-qualified and experienced staff



Children from age 2 welcome Free to children aged 3 to pre-school (subject to Government funding) Good staff- child ratio

Term Time Only

Sessions: 9.00am-11.45am 12.30pm - 3.00pm With lunchtime care option

For further information contact the Nursery (Tamsyn) on 01928 787903

http://www.kingsleyanddistrictnursery.co.uk

#### Frodsham Christmas Festival Weekend

## <u>Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November and</u> <u>Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> December 2012</u>

# Friday 30<sup>th</sup> November 2.00pm to 9.00pm

#### **Location – Frodsham Town Centre**

Large Christmas Food and Craft market on Main Street 2pm - 9pm

Hot and cold food and drink available all day

Santa's Grotto and kid's attraction area on Frodsham Leisure Centre - access through the tunnel at the side of The Queen's Head pub

Live music and outside bar at the back of The Queen's Head pub

Switch-on of Main Street Christmas Tree lights and festive street lights 6.30pm then fireworks display

Reindeer parade on Main Street 7.00pm

Local school choirs, dance groups and attractions performing on Main Street stage

St Lawrence's Christmas Fayre in the Parish Hall on Church Street. 3pm – 8pm. Proceeds to Halton Haven and Saint Lawrence's building fund.

# Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> & Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 10.00am to 5.00pm

#### **Location – Lady Heyes Craft Centre**

Christmas Craft Marquee with Craft People 2000

Enjoy a festive atmosphere at Lady Heyes with Christmas food & craft stalls and carol singing from local schools All shops open including antique and collectables, candle shop and brewery, Convoy records, Cheshire Cheese Cakes and much, much more.

# Kingsley Players

# Kingsley Players step back in time to a Victorian Christmas

Get into the Christmas spirit early this year with Kingsley Players' new musical production *The Amazing Mr Scrooge*, written by Norley's talented composer musician, Arnold Ashbrook.

The Kingsley theatre group have moved their normal January panto slot to the first week in December to stage a new take on Charles Dickens' classic Victorian tale, A Christmas Carol.

Arnold, who is also the musical director, has written a musical version of the much-loved story, featuring all the traditional characters - Ebenezer Scrooge, Bob Cratchit, Tiny Tim, ghosts and Christmas spirits.

Director Mary Lightfoot said: "With the bicentenary of the birth of Charles Dickens being celebrated this year, it's particularly appropriate to stage this production of one of his most popular novels.

"We have a large cast of adults and children who are in fine voice and ready to launch the festive season with a wonderfully inspiring tale of Christmas cheer." The Amazing Mr Scrooge will be onstage nightly at the Kingsley Community Centre from Wednesday 5<sup>th</sup> December to Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm. There is also a Saturday matinee at 2.30pm.



Neil Silcock as Scrooge

Tickets cost £7/£6 and £4 concession. Early booking is advised and tickets mav he purchased at Holland Pharmacy, Kinaslev. online www.kingsleyplayers.co.uk or bν ringing the box office on 07925 516760.



# Boring it's not!

The Hurst Methodist Church, 4.30 - 6.30 pm on Thursday 1st November

It's messy! It's church - but not as we know it!

Come and chill, chat, create, celebrate & eat.

It's for all the family with activities for all ages.

Different crafts are offered each month for both children & adults. And ... surprises!

We finish with a short song and worship time, full of interaction and fun.

So come & be a part of what is happening in Kingsley.

Messy Church is your church !!!

#### ROOM AT THE TOP

Rooms with kitchen facilities available for hire at The Hurst Methodist Church.

Ideal for children's parties etc. Moderate charges.

Contact Brian Moores on 787442

#### KINGSLEY GARDEN CLUB

OUR NEXT MEETING IS ON
MONDAY 12TH NOVEMBER 2012 AT 8PM
AT KINGSLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE

JUDY POPLEY WILL GIVE AN ILLUSTRATED TALK ON THE GARDENS AT ARLEY 1890 TO 1990

AFTER TWO FASCINATING EVENINGS TO START THE SEASON THIS PROMISES TO BE ANOTHER INTERESTING OCCASION

**ALL WELCOME – WHY NOT BRING A FRIEND?** 

#### KINGSLEY COMMUNITY PRE-SCHOOL



for 2 year olds

1/2 day and full day sessions Tel. 01244 981300

AT

Kingsley Community Primary & Nursery School, Middle Lane, Kingsley

# WORSHIP AT THE HURST METHODIST CHURCH

Minister: Revd Steve Santry

Thursday 1st November

4.30 to 6.30 pm: "Messy Church" for all the family

Sunday 4th November

10.00 am Morning Worship. Mr Brian C Moores6.30 pm at Blakelees: Harvest. Mrs Ann WrightSunday 11th November Remembrance Sunday

8.15 am: Holy Communion. Revd Steve Santry 10.00 am at St John's Church: Revd Peter Rugen 11.00 am at the Cenotaph: Remembrance Service

6.30 pm at Blakelees: Mr Mark Smyth

Sunday 18th November

10.00 am: Holy Communion. Revd Steve Santry

6.30 pm at Blakelees: Mr John Bell

Wednesday 21st November 8.00 pm: Café Church Sunday 25th November

10.00 am: Morning Worship. Mrs Linda Watkin

6.30 pm at Blakelees: Communion. Revd Steve Santry

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Are you of mature years?
The Parish Churches of Norley, Crowton and Kingsley
Cordially invite you to
World War II Afternoon Tea
Date: 16<sup>th</sup> November 2012

Venue: Kingsley Community Centre

Time: 1.30 to 3.30pm

Transport can be arranged
Contact Audrey Griffiths 01928 788535 for further information
Or speak to Audrey, Hilary or Anne after a service to put your name
down and bring a friend!



#### **WELCOME TO A NEW WEBSITE**

Click on www.kingsleymethodist.org.uk for more information.

#### Frodsham and District Choral Society

"Faure and all that Jazz" conducted by Howard Kane on Saturday 10th November at 7.30pm, St Laurence Church, Frodsham.

It consists of Faure's beautiful, well-loved requiem followed by John Rutter's the more upbeat Feel the Spirit and Bob Chilcott's A Little Jazz Mass and the premier of a new carol commissioned partly by the choir also by Bob Chilcott called The Advent Candle. The vocal soloists are Helen Strange, David Langton and Hanna-liisa Kirchen. There is an organ accompaniment with drums and bass. Tickets £8 including glass of wine/juice are available from Val Armstrong on 01829 751867, Frodsham Frames or any member of the choir.

Also, on Saturday 15th December at 7pm, St Laurence Church the choir will perform Handel's "Messiah" with the Northern Ensemble and soloists Heather Heighway, Heather Ireson, Tim Kennedy and Terence Ayebare. Tickets are £10, including the usual refreshments. Tickets available as above

#### 8:00 pm, Wednesday 21st November

#### @ THE HURST METHODIST CHURCH:



#### CAFÉ CHURCH KINGSLEY

More like a Café than a Church? - but a far more meaningful experience.

Relaxed and welcoming atmosphere, video presentations and a live band.

And of course: excellent coffee & cakes!

A joint initiative of The Hurst Methodist Church and St John's Church

# BE inspired GET inspired!!! 9th Nov—17th Dec Exhibitions

#### Annual Open Art Competition

Be original...choose from a wide variety of artwork throughout all 3 galleries, from professional & amateur artists across the North West. This vast array of subjects & medias makes for a viewers delight and possibly the perfect Christmas Gift!

'Meet the Artist' Friday 9th Nov 7-9pm, All welcome & complimentary glass of wine!

## **30th November - Frodsham Christmas Festival** (To coincide with the Frodsham)

Enjoy a enchanted evening from 4pm onwards at the Art Centre.

Imagine... a perfect traditional Christmas roasting chestnuts, mulled wine and Carol singers songs, to warm our hearts at winter. Handmade crafts and homemade cooking, tree decorating, and a tree of wishes! Join us and bring back the traditional memories of this season.

Open:Mon-Sat:10-4.00pm, Sun 2-4.00pm

Castle Park Art Centre off Fountain Lane FRODSHAM WA6 6SE

Contact us on: 01928 735832, www.castleparkarts.co.uk

#### KINGSLEY THEATRE GROUP

Advance tickets have been booked for



# CATS The musical

Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April 2013 In the stalls at the Opera House, Manchester

Price £34 plus transport, which will be in the region of £13

Total cost £47pp

A few tickets remaining, first come, first served

Ray Wilson E-mail ray@wilson 5655.freeserve.co.uk Or tel: 01928 787678

#### **Litter Pick Update**

On **Saturday 20th October** 11 of our litter pick team cleared the village of litter. Thank you to all who helped to remove 9 bags of litter. As always thank you to those who pick up litter as they walk around the village.

**The next litter picks will be on Saturday 17th November and Saturday 15th December.** We will start at 10.00 am at the Community Centre. New helpers are always welcome. We provide all the equipment needed.

Eila Birtwistle – Litter pick co-ordinator.

#### Kingsley St John The Evangelist Parish Church

Vicar. Revd.Pete Rugen. 01928 787180 Curate. Revd. Gill Stanning. 01928 788623

Services for November 2012

November 4<sup>th</sup> 09:30 Holy Communion

November 11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Sunday

10:00 Remembrance Service

November 14th 20:00 Café Church(at the Hurst)

November 15th 10:00 Holy Communion

November 18t 09:30 Holy Communion

11:15 All Age Worship

November 25th 10:00 Worshipping Together

18:3 Encounter Contemporary Worship

ALL ARE VERY WELCOME

#### KINGSLEY PARISH COUNCIL - October 2012

#### Kingsley Parish Plan

We are pleased to report that the parish plan continues to deliver many positive outcomes for the village. We mentioned in last month's edition that a huge number of volunteers kindly gathered in September to plant 14,000 spring bulbs. The Parish Council would like to extend our special thanks to Catherine Tweedie for organising the entire project, her small group of 'planting leaders', all the volunteers that helped to plant the bulbs, David Holt and also to Cheshire West and Chester Council for their assistance and financial contribution.

Kingsley Theatre Group's first outing was deemed a great success and tickets are selling fast for the next trip to see 'The Lion King' in March 2013. Contact Parish Councillor, Ray Wilson, for further details on 01928 787678.

The Traffic and Transport group have successfully started a campaign to raise speed awareness in the village. You may have noticed a Speed Indicator Device being used at various locations around Kingsley to test the current speed of vehicles at peak times of the day. The data has been fed back to CWAC who will now assess the levels of speeding and decide whether to take any further action. Many thanks to Parish Councillor, Jacq Cliff, for coordinating the survey and to all the volunteers who took part, especially Carol Davies who put in many hours with Jacq to collect the data.

We hope to be able to share the results with you in due course and keep you informed about future plans to develop the campaign.

#### Kingsley Community Forum

CWAC officers presented information on the following local issues at the recent Community Forum event held on 11<sup>th</sup> October:

- Major repair work is due to start on the Sutton Weaver swing bridge in June 2013. A number of options are being looked at in terms of traffic flow whilst the repairs are in progress, including the construction of a temporary Bailey bridge (see Kingsley Village website for further information)
- CWAC's new Local Plan will set out how much, what type and where new development should take place in the borough over 20 years. The

closing date for you to make comments on the current 'Preferred Policy Directions' consultation is 12 November. Visit: www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk for details.

• CWCC's latest Community Governance Review is a process carried out by local authorities every 10-15 years to assess the effectiveness of all forms of community governance, including parish councils. Their recommendations will be published for consultation early in 2013. For further information, visit: <a href="https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk">www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk</a>

If you have any queries or concerns about any of these matters, please contact our local CWAC Ward Councillor, Ralph Oultram at ralph.oultram@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

#### WI

Kingsley WI October Meeting.

The speaker at the meeting on October 3rd was Anne Crook from Vale Royal Women's Aid. She told us about the work she and her team do to help women who are in an abusive relationship and need help and protection. This help takes various forms and might mean moving into a shelter. They have many success stories where the women who had lost all self esteem have gone to have new lives, jobs and happy relationships.

The November meeting on Wednesday 7th will be the AGM. The business part of the meeting will be followed an exhibition of members work such as handicrafts, painting and cooking. New members and visitors always welcome.

Looking ahead the December meeting will be on Tuesday 4th when there will be a Christmas concert. Non members very welcome at £3 a head to include refreshments .

#### KU 17 Youth Club News Bulletin October 2012



#### Your KU17 needs YOU!

Kingsley Under 17 (KU17) Youth Club meets at the Kingsley Community Centre in Kingsley every Thursday night from 7pm to 9pm. KU17 aims to provide a fun and safe social hub in Kingsley for the 11-17 age range.

Currently, it has the services of three experienced, dedicated and enthusiastic youth workers, who have the major advantage of youth and not being parents. Facilities are available for ball and other games; there is a pool table, WII games system and music system; a tuck shop is open to sell sweets and drinks. The attendance fee is £1 per person on the door. Regular events and trips out are currently being planned.

A new KU17 committee is now in place, consisting of Bredgeen Smyth (Senior Youth Worker), Anne Kavanagh (Fundraising Coordinator), Darryl Riley (Kingsley Parish Council representative), Darren Townsend (Treasurer) and Charles Shelton (Chairman). The committee will be working hard in the next few months to raise membership and raise funds for KU17, as both are essential to maintain the club, following loss of the Connexions grant.

Our most recent fundraising event took place packing bags on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October in Marks and Spencer in Ellesmere Port, with 6 of the KU17s and 4 parents. This raised £458 for KU17. Thanks to all and to the helpful staff at Marks and Spencer.

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

We welcome new KU17s!

#### **BULB-PLANTING COMPLETED SUCCESSFULLY!**

On September 29th and October 6th the weather was dry, if rather chilly early on, but this did not deter residents of the village from working together and planting at least 14,500 spring bulbs. On the first Saturday there were fifty-five adults and five children in their gardening clothes and armed with various gardening tools, some with yellow high visibility jackets, ready to start. The age range spanned many generations, from aged three to ninety-one! The main areas for planting were the ones every one frequents, either in the centre of the village or on the approaches. It had been decided that the large flowering daffodils would be the main flower as they make a very colourful display and will show up among the long grass of some of the areas. One verge on The Brow also has a large number of fritillaries, a more delicate flower with a pale pink or white chequerboard effect on the petals. Another area was chosen for the planting of bluebells with some snowdrops for added early interest. I would like to thank all those who gave so generously of their time and energy to support this village venture! It was a wonderful demonstration of commitment to our village. Thanks go particularly to Danny Moores and the Parish Council, and Mike Solari of Cheshire West and Chester. As well as individuals there were representatives from many village groups including the Allotment Society, the W.I., the Garden Club, the Kingsley Transition Initiative and the Scout and Guide Movements.

It is gratifying to learn of other residents getting "the planting bug" and putting in some bulbs in other parts of the village. Special thanks must also go to the residents around the Hurst Chapel who joined forces to plant some of the bulbs in that area.

We can now look forward to spring and the enjoyment of the flowers for many years to come.



The Kingsley Trades Goup meets every month for breakfast. The objective of the group is to promote local tradespeople to the residents of Kingsley and beyond. Our existing members are AT YOUR SERVICE.......

#### Ian Bebbington - Helsby PCs

We provide a professional and personal service to domestic and business users offering an at home or collection service covering any aspect of computer repairs, upgrades, new system set ups, broadband or wireless problems. Genuine advice and no call out fees. <a href="https://www.helsbypcs.co.uk">www.helsbypcs.co.uk</a> 07747630371.

#### **Steven Curwell - T8 Design Ltd**

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#### **Stephen Ford – Joiner Carpenter**

Time served tradesman offering to undertake all aspects of joinery work. 25 years experience, competitive prices and quality workmanship. Contact STEPHEN FORD JOINERY at 01829 760255 or 07940 106295

#### **Kevin Foster – The Glazier**

Fed up of trying to see through those misty/failed double glazed units? Units can be replaced in wood, pvc, and aluminium. Glazing for windows, doors, patios, roof lights, and greenhouses, mirrors fitted. All types of glazing work undertaken. Your local independent tradesman with 30 years experience Tel: 01928 787256

#### Frank Pilgrim. – Electrical Services

We specialise in electrical installation and testing work. We are an approved N.I.C.E.I.C. Contractor, Part P registered.

Contact: 01928 788971 or 07711 258677

#### ALSO AT YOUR SERVICE:

#### **Peter Littlemore - Kingsley Travel**

Kingsley Travel is your local private hire company, whether going on holiday, on corporate travel or on a night out. Kingsley Travel will provide a professional and reliable service as we pay attention to detail and guarantee a friendly, professional car service. Check our website for details: <a href="www.kingsleytravel.co.uk">www.kingsleytravel.co.uk</a> or ring 07803 125338

#### Joe Murphy - Handyman services

A professional handyman dedicated to providing a prompt reliable high standard service where "no job is too small". Reasonable rates and ability to carry out a wide variety of tasks including painting, plumbing, tiling, garden maintenance, jet washing, and fencing. Customer satisfaction guaranteed. Please phone for a no-obligation quote.

Contact 07866 154107

#### Neil Robinson - Cheshire Handyman and Garden Services

Local tradesman. The prime aim is to provide a Professional Service at a Sensible Price in the following areas: Plumbing, Plastering, Painting (interior/exterior), Decorating, Tiling, odd jobs including home maintenance. Jet Wash cleaning service for patios etc

All aspects of Garden Maintenance for all seasons. All work fully insured.

Contact: 01928 787674 or 07944 954724

#### Eric Smith – Gas plumbing and heating services

Time served local tradesman offers gas, plumbing and central heating installation, servicing and maintenance, gas safety checks, landlord certificates. Eric is a Gas Safe registered and an approved contractor and member of the Chartered Institute of Plumbing and Heating. Contact: 01928 788055 or 07931 906860

#### **Tobias Miller – Black Cat Chimney Sweeps**

Member of the National Association of Chimney Sweeps. HETAS Approved. Fully Insured. Contact: 01928 787428, 01606 781714 www.blackcatsweeps.co.uk

#### Ash-worth Time Bank/Rural Wellbeing Update:

**Kingsley Pilates** Class – every Tuesday from 1.30pm, Kingsley Hurst Methodist Rooms – all levels welcome to this popular class. Please phone Susan or Caroline on 01829 751398 for further information – or just come along to a Taster Session any week.

Holistic Therapy Days: These classes are resuming from Friday 9<sup>th</sup> November at 2pm – Hurst Methodist Rooms. If you are a single parent, unemployed, recently made redundant, a carer or suffer from stress or depression – please come along for some relaxing FREE treatment each month – therapies include: Reflexology, Reiki, Sports Massage and Indian Head Massage. To reserve your place please phone Susan or Caroline on 01829 751398

Tai Chi Classes – Kingsley Community Centre – every Wednesday from 1.30pm. If you would like to try out a gentle form of exercise, which is both relaxing and good for joints and muscles – come along and try it out. Tai Chi is suitable for all ages and any level of fitness, even if you haven't exercised for a long time – this may be for you. Come along and try out a session for free. Contact Susan or Caroline to reserve your place or just come along to a session.

Ash-worth Time Bank/Rural Wellbeing Project is a community charity working with rural people in Cheshire, helping out with all sorts of jobs, organising social groups, events, coffee mornings and luncheon clubs. Membership is free of charge – why not call our office on 01829 751398 for further information?

Email: ash-worthtime@hotmail.co.uk or visit our website on: www.ash-worthtimebank.org.uk

# KINGSLEY & NEWTON VILLAGE INSTITUTE Top Road, Kingsley

#### **Events for November 2012**

Monday	Art Zumba	Every Week	2.00pm 6.00pm
<u>Tuesday</u>	Bingo Spanish Line Dance	12 <sup>th</sup> 26 <sup>th</sup> Every Week	7.30pm 9.45am 7.45pm
<u>Wednesday</u> <u>Thursday</u> <u>Friday</u>	Quiz Bowls Bridge	14 <sup>th</sup> 28 <sup>th</sup> Every Week	8.30pm 7.30pm 9.45am

Don't forget the Hot Pot lunch on December 9<sup>th</sup>, it is open to all residents of the village, regardless of age .Tickets will be available at the Club or Kingsley Chemist from the 5<sup>th</sup> November.

Our club is open to hire for parties etc and we do a good catering service . You don't have to be a member to hire the club.

We would like to thank everyone who came to our Frank McGreor show, a good time was had by all.

The Tennis is still going strong on a Saturday afternoon and will continue to do so, weather permitting.

#### WI

Kingsley Women's Institute Invite you to a Celebration of Music presented by Vale Royal Singers on Tuesday December 4th at 7.30 pm at Kingsley Community Centre. The cost to the tickets will be £3 to include mulled wine and mince pies and will be available by ringing. 787332



#### LOOK FORWARD TO IT! PUT IT IN YOUR DIARY!!

XMAS MARKET SATURDAY 15th DECEMBER 2012, 9.30 am to 1.00pm - 250 PEOPLE came to our September market and had a GREAT time! YOU can expect even more at our Xmas Local Produce Market on 15th December including, no doubt, music from both schools, Xmas gifts, Xmas wreathes and more fresh fruit and vegetables. If you want to join in the fun of helping with these arrangements, contact Simon Sherlock on 01928 787813 or Allan Arthur 07785 341361

CARE FOR THE ELDERLY- Home Instead Senior Care is proud to be part of Kingsley Transition Initiative and aims to be the most admired provider of care by changing the face of ageing and helping people live independently in their own home. Internet video calls were recently introduced and, with kind assistance of O2, we demonstrated how to make a call to Australia (for free) to our social group Tea, Laughter & Company (TLC). Instant messaging and a TV make this usable by the hearing and visually challenged making this a viable and meaningful means of communication. The next step is to arrange regular sessions where people without the technology can come and have a free video conversation with friends or relatives. Interested? Find out more by getting in touch (see below).

Judging by the feedback I get from Caregivers I know they find it both a rewarding and challenging role. We currently have a number of paid part-time positions available in the Kingsley area. Full training is provided including a 3 day induction for those with a caring, compassionate outlook who are happy to take time to listen or chat if that is what is required. If you are interested please contact our office for a chat or email your CV. (see below).

Finally, if anyone would like to come along to or volunteer at one of our TLC social activities in Kingsley then please also get in touch.

Office: 01928 733020 Email: halton.info@homeinstead.co.uk

ENERGY PRICES ARE ROCKETING AGAIN. If you would like to explore ways to save money on costs of energy, contact Bryan Bulloch on 01928 788136 or Email: bryan@bulloch.plus.com

KINGSLEY COMMUNITY FORUM – a meeting took place on Thursday 11th October when the Sutton Weaver swing bridge repair programme was hotly discussed. Also of interest to residents is the project being undertaken by CW&C to review the structure of parishes in the borough. We are aware that some discussion are going on between different councils but, as yet, are unaware of any changes likely to affect Kingsley. Next forum is due in November.

FRODSHAM WIND FARM - This has recently been granted planning consent. Details at <a href="http://www.kingsleyvillage.co.uk">http://www.kingsleyvillage.co.uk</a>



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#### LATEST NEWS FROM KINGSLEY ST JOHN'S SCHOOL

#### November 2012

Visit to Roman Museum

Class 2 went to Chester Roman Museum to learn more about the Romans, how they lived and where to get more evidence about them. [Mathew]

First we saw the gravestone artefacts and on them were Roman writing and pictures. [Luke]

In the next gallery there was a skeleton with some broken bones and the next cabinet contained a model of Deva the Roman fortress at Chester. [Ruby]





Afterwards we went to a classroom where my group had a go at grinding spices and making mosaics. [Erin]

Then a Roman soldier came marching in and we put on some plastic armour and it scratched my neck! He took us to the amphitheatre. I really liked it! [Jack]

#### Macmillan Coffee Morning

The school held a Macmillan coffee morning which was extremely successful raising over £146 for the charity. One pupil wrote "we are very proud of raising this much for such a good cause. We are a small school with a big heart that wanted to help other people"

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#### THANK YOU

Mabel Darlington would like to thank everyone who sent cards and get well wishes. Also family and friends who visited me during my recent stay in hospital.

#### Kingsley, Norley and Crowton Mothers' Union

Report of meeting 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2012

On a wet and windy night it was lovely to have a talk about the warm and sunny part of the world that constitutes Melanesia. Chester diocese has strong links with Melanesia and Revd. Jacky Wise told us about the visit she made with her daughter in July 2011 to Guadacanal, the largest of the Solomon Islands. Jacky was working with the ministry team and her daughter attended the school and helped teach English there.

We tend to think these "magical" islands must be trouble free, but it is not so. The Christian Centre there deals with cases of domestic violence, aided by Sisters of the Church and Mothers' Union members. The island society is very patriarchal, women are "owned" by their husbands and there is dishonour and shame for the victims of domestic violence and rape. The women stay at the Centre for three months and are given help in adjusting to being on their own and being able to earn their own living.

Jacky moved around the islands and taught English at the Honara Selwyn College, supported by the Anglican Church of Melanesia. The talk was illustrated with wonderful slides of the island, highlighting the beauty, but also the poverty. Islanders have limited access to electricity, may have to do their washing in the river (being wary of crocodiles!) and travel between islands in canoes. They seem happy and welcoming to anyone from England and welcomed Prince William and the Duchess of Cambridge not long ago.

Our next meeting 6<sup>th</sup> November 2012 is a craft evening where the nativity characters and animals, which have been knitted, will be sewn up and stuffed to finish them off. This will be in time for Advent when the manger will be on display in Church.

We meet in the Church Room at 7.30pm and anyone is welcome to join us at our meetings. Further details from Pam Lee 787343.



#### KINGSLEY WALKING GROUP

The planned walk on 26 Sept. had to be abandoned due to flooding in Nantwich, after two days of incessant rain. A local walk was arranged instead which kept to high ground! From the Travellors Rest car park, we climb to Crowmere, then skirted the golf club practice field and Heathercliffe to Frodsham Hill, to look down at the flooded fields below and the encampment for the ploughing competition at Helsby. We kept to the top of the ridge to circle back to the Shepherds Cottages and thence to Crowmere and the Travellors Rest where we enjoyed a good lunch. Thankfully the rain abated for this 5 miler.

We were lucky enough to enjoy a bright clear day for our October long walk from Sherratts Rough. We took the permissive forest path through to Whitegate. The autumn leaves and berries were very colourful. The path around the golf course was newly mown for us and we continued across fields down to the Weaver. We returned via Whitegate village and had lunch in the sun by Foxtwist Green. Returning along the Whitegate Way the leader failed to find the right path and added a mile to the distance. Fortunately no-one fell by the wayside and the leader was red faced but appeared to be forgiven.

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 <a href="www.kingsley.walkers.btinternet.co.uk">www.kingsley.walkers.btinternet.co.uk</a>

#### **ON-LINE BASICS**

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If anyone is unemployed, I ensure they leave the course with their own email address that they can use for job search purposes, and they know how to search for and apply for jobs online.

We also run a Job Club at Frodsham Library on Thursday afternoons from 2pm to 4pm.

Anyone interested who requires further information can email me on <a href="mailto:tina.adult\_learning@yahoo.co.uk">tina.adult\_learning@yahoo.co.uk</a> or ring me on my mobile 07801 958600.





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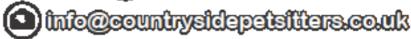
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Wed 7 Nov - 7.30 pm at KCC: Kingsley WI AGM. Exhibition / recipe book

Fri 9 Nov - 2.00 to 4.00 pm at The Hurst: Holistic Therapy

Sun 11 Nov Remembrance Sunday

10.00 am at St John's: United Service. Revd Peter Rugen

11.00 am: Remembrance Service at the Cenotaph

Mon 12 Nov - Noon to 1.00 pm: Hurst Soup Lunch in aid of Chester Street Pastors

Tue 13 Nov - 7.45 for 8.00 pm at The Hurst. Simon Wareing speaks about "Teams 4 U"

Sat 17 Nov - 10.00 am from KCC: Village Litter Pick Wed 21 Nov -8.00 pm at The Hurst: **Café Church** 

Sat 24 Nov - 10.30 am at KCC: St John's Church Christmas Fair

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#### SOME DATES IN DECEMBER

Sat 1 Dec World AIDS Day

Wed 5 Dec - 7.30 pm at KCC: WI Open Evening for all with the Vale Royal Singers

Thu 6 Dec - 4.30 pm at The Hurst: Messy Church for all the Family

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