

# Wootton Village Newsletter

## Wootton Saint Andrews CoE School

It has been wonderful to have our whole school back together again with the sounds of learning and laughter echoing all around – a real tonic for us all!

You may have noticed the scaffolding around the building. The old roof has not fared too well during the winter storms and we are just waiting for the Diocese to give the green light for the repairs to go ahead.

As we have not been able to go on visits, we have tried to make school life a little more exciting and have enjoyed a day of archery. Every child participated and had a great experience. We also had a skipping challenge day where each child was given their own rope to practice with; this will be followed up with Day 2 during June to gauge how much progress they have made.

I apologise in advance for any noise which may be created on July 13<sup>th</sup> as we hold the Wootton Olympics on the school playground (weather permitting). I am sure it will be a fun day for the children.

Unfortunately, there are no dates to share with you again for church services or community events. The school will close for the summer break on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> July and reopen to pupils on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> September.

With best wishes from all at WSA

To contact the school office call 01469 588361 or email [admin.wootton@northlincs.gov.uk](mailto:admin.wootton@northlincs.gov.uk).

## Saint Andrews Church, Wootton

The church has been pleased to be open for public worship once again on the second and fourth Sundays of the month at 9:15, albeit with restrictions on singing and sharing the peace etc.

At our recent Annual Church meeting we were pleased to welcome Christopher Wilson and Ann Slaughter as new churchwardens replacing Val Morris and Maureen Mollett, for whom we are extremely grateful for all of their hard work and dedication to the church over many years. Val Wressel also stepped down as PCC secretary, again someone who has given so much to the church. All three are continuing to worship at St. Andrews where I am sure their guidance and wisdom will be sort.

Like everyone we look forward to more restrictions being lifted and church life getting back to normal in its worship and social life.

## Wootton Parish Council

A new community notice board for local information has been installed in the bus shelter for village notices and events. Please contact Bill at the Cattery or Sally at 53 High Street if you have something to display.

We're delighted that the children at Wootton school have taken on board a challenge to make posters for the village, highlighting the issue of dog fouling. We'll be using as many as we can to make signs to display around the village and raise awareness of the issue. A big thank you to them all. We're only sorry that we've not able to use them all.

Thank you to Alex & Sally Smith who are keeping the litter picking equipment on hand at 84 High Street so that residents can borrow them to collect rubbish from around the village.

There has been concern over the appearance of weed in the village pond. Advice has been taken and although it currently looks unsightly, it's a natural oxygenator and beneficial to the fish. It will also die back after flowering. Please could anyone fishing on the pond not use barbed hooks or floating bait.

There is currently a vacancy on the Parish Council. Anyone wishing to apply can do so by sending in their application to the clerk – details below.

Parish Council meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the month. Due to restrictions, if you wish to attend, please contact Karen - the clerk to the parish council at [adair1@btinternet.com](mailto:adair1@btinternet.com) so that arrangements can be made. The next parish council meeting will be at 7pm on the 20<sup>th</sup> July at the village hall. At every meeting there is an opportunity for any member of the public present to make comments about the agenda items, for a maximum of 15 minutes total, prior to the commencement of the parish council meeting.

Details of all your local representatives can be found on the notice board by the pond as well as at [www.woottonparishcouncil.co.uk](http://www.woottonparishcouncil.co.uk) The number for general North Lincolnshire Council enquires is 01724 297000 and the out of hours number for NLC Emergencies is 01724 276444.

## The Nags Head at Wootton

Tuesday Quiz 9pm start.

Live artist or Bingo on Fridays at 9pm

Music quiz every Sunday 6.15pm.

Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> July – Nags Head Christmas Eve. Lucy Clark of Radio Humberside will be switching on the lights and meeting some of the locals. The sensational sounds of Emily accompanied by Guy rounds off an incredible evening of entertainment.

## **Wootton Village Hall**

The village hall is currently being refurbished with new toilets and improved kitchen facility. For village hall enquiries contact Shelly Chapman on 01469 531229 or via Facebook Wootton Village Hall or email [den2121shelc@hotmail.com](mailto:den2121shelc@hotmail.com) Measures have been put into place for Covid safety and the hall can be used subject to all current government guidelines.

### **First Aid Course – Gwyn Morgan**

I have recently moved into the village. Over the last 20 years I have run my own training company providing training to all types of industry, delivering some courses personally. The village I lived in previously was not well served by the Ambulance in respect of time between calls and arrivals on scene. The village was similar as it was based around Agriculture as the main businesses in the village. The remoteness from an ambulance centre and the likelihood of accidents from the recreation and work that occurred in the village highlighted a need to have people that could provide emergency first aid while waiting for the professionals to arrive be it the use of DE-FIBS, basic bandaging or just understanding the requirement of someone undergoing a HYPO in diabetes.

To support this requirement, I provided First aid training at a subsidised rate to people in the village, these courses were recognised by awarding bodies if people wished or were just there to help people cope with emergencies.

I would like to offer this service to the residents of Wootton, the training would include CPR including for babies and children, use of DE-FIBS, basic bandaging, casualty management and stroke awareness.

If you may be interested in this training or would like more information please give us a call on 588970 or talk to us at 23 High Street (keeping social distancing ). Gwyn Morgan

### **Message from CPRE - The Countryside Charity.**

CPRE is the only membership charity whose main aim is to protect the countryside from unsuitable and unwanted development and we've been doing this since 1926, making it probably the oldest environmental charity in England. There are CPRE groups in every county and a national office in London. CPRE Northern Lincolnshire works to help local people appreciate their local countryside, primarily through commenting on and objecting to planning proposals which are likely to impact on it. We have supported the residents of Wootton in their fight to prevent large scale development taking place in the village, by objecting to the planning applications which would do this. CPRE Northern Lincolnshire also runs the ever-popular annual Best Kept Village competition and provides support and encouragement to communities in the battle against litter and fly tipping. A leaflet is enclosed with more information.

# The Village Planters

There are 15 planters within the village that have been funded by the Parish Council and the North Lincolnshire incentive, "Spring in Bloom".

We'd like to thank Gill, Linda and Margaret for supplying extra plants and those people who have agreed to water the planters near to them – it's very much appreciated. An extra thank you to Sue for tidying up the beds on the triangle near the pond.

We've added a different herb or two into each pot for you to discover (and maybe even use). At the moment you can find:-

Chervil	Delicate anise flavour – add a little to perk up a salad or add to fish
Lovage	Parsley/celery flavour for seafood or flavoured butters
Sage	Goes really well with sausage meat & chicken or fry leaves in butter till crisp
Feverfew	Linked to migraine relief though unpleasant to taste and not recommended!
Artemisia	Stroke this plant and you'll smell cola. Garnish drinks with young leaves
Thyme	A great allrounder – add a sprig or two into soups, stews and sauces.
Parsley	Another allrounder and often paired with white fish
Chives	A snipped chive adds a subtle onion flavour into sandwiches
Rosemary	Often paired with lamb, try chopped and scattered on roasting potatoes
Fennel	Anise flavour good with eggs and fish, seeds are used as a breath freshener
Woodruff	Ancient plant whose dried leaves act as a moth deterrent
Oregano	Popular Mediterranean flavouring, good with tomatoes.
Mint	Add a few leaves into the water when boiling new potatoes, great with lamb
Winter Savoury	Chop leaves and add when cooking beans
Lemon Balm	Add a few leaves to hot water for a light & refreshing lemon tisane
Thai Basil	A delicate sweet aniseed flavour used in south east Asian food
Shiso or Perilla	From the mint family but more like a citrus basil used in Japanese cuisine
Bay	Very popular herb used to flavour foods from milk sauces to roast lamb