Wootton Village Newsletter

St Andrew's Church, Wootton

Subsequent to the departure of our parish priest, Revd Peter Green, in July last year, the church in Wootton has had to subsist on the availability of visiting priests to officiate at its morning services. These have now been reduced to one eucharist (second Sunday) and one morning prayer (fourth Sunday) per month. However, congregations have not dwindled and we look forward to a vibrant future, especially since the parish has now been absorbed into the North East Lincolnshire deanery. The Abbey Group of churches, to which St Andrew's belongs, seems to be facing dissolution although Wootton maintains contact with its closer neighbours.

The parent and toddler group, the Wootton Tots, which meets in church weekly on a Wednesday afternoon (2-3.30 pm|) continues to thrive and attract regulars and new-comers. There is no charge and all are welcome to drop by with or without a toddler.

Coronation events, organized jointly with the school, will be held in church shortly after 6 May. Further details will be announced. It is likely something will happen on Monday 8 May.

Anyone wishing to get involved with organizing events should contact the churchwardens.

The churchwardens are Christopher Wilson, 8 Vicarage Lane (01469 589071) and Ann Kitching ann.northard@icloud.com

The Nags Head at Wootton

Every Sunday until the end of March we have a special offer on our carvery. Two course meal (Sunday carvery plus a dessert) for only £10.50, booking in advance essential. Every diner will be entered into a draw to be made on the last Sunday in March to win a £30 voucher that can be spent at the Nags Head.

Saturday 22nd April we are organising a race night at the Nags Head to raise funds for the Sophies Journey charity. Sophie was a 12-year-old from Lincoln who fought for two years against an aggressive brain tumour. Her family have set up a charity in her memory to raise funds to send other terminally sick children on holiday to Mablethorpe giving them and their families a chance to build some happy memories. Let's show the area that Wootton has a big heart for children who need some support in their darkest hours.

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Sunday 7th May Party in the Park Coronation special. Fancy dress for children and adults (optional). We suggest adults should come as a member of the royal family past or present. Children something to do with royalty. King, Queen, prince, princess, court jester or even a CORGI!

There will be 1950's style games for the children and we are hoping to do a parade around the village so the children can show off their fancy dress to everyone. The school are getting involved, we will do a leaflet drop nearer the time with full information. The highlight of the day will be the sealing of a time capsule, which we believe will be at the pond although this is yet to be confirmed. A letter has gone off to Buckingham Palace asking for something to be provided to go into the time capsule on their behalf. The capsule will be reopened in June 2048 for the children of today to recall that memorable day way back in 2023. Book your tickets now for the reopening in 2048 (LOL)

Music bingo will be at the Nags Head most weekends. Keep an eye out for the dates. This is a fantastic evening of music and laughter with Life Changing Prizes.

Check out our website for full information of all our events.

sites.google.com/view/thenagsheadwootton/home

Wootton Saint Andrew's CoE School

We would like to apologise to anyone we woke up on Wednesday 11th January with our rather loud and energetic slot on Radio Humberside with Zumba Zoe. It was rather a shock to everyone but was actually a lot of fun!

The Spring Term has been very successful so far. Some of our Y5 pupils entered a Maths Challenge hosted by Baysgarth School and our team came second overall against all of our other local primary schools. It was lovely to receive feedback from Baysgarth staff stating the children from Wootton had exemplary behaviour.

We have a few dates to share:

Ash Wednesday Service - Wednesday 22nd February 10.30am at St Andrew's Church

Police Drop-In Surgery - Friday 24th February 3pm onwards in the School House

Easter Service - Friday 31st March 2.30pm at St Andrew's Church

End of Term - Friday 31st March

Start of Summer Term - Tuesday 18th April

To contact the school office call 01469 588361 or email admin.wootton@northlincs.gov.uk.

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Wootton Parish Council

The Parish Council have replaced the picnic bench located at the pond side.

Parish Council meetings are held on the third Tuesday of the month at 7pm in the village hall. Karenthe clerk to the parish council can be contacted at adair1@btinternet.com. 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. (You do not need to stay for the entire 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 The number for general North Lincolnshire Council enquires is 01724 297000 and the out of hours number for NLC Emergencies is 01724 276444.

Wootton Village Hall

Events in the hall:

Short Mat Bowls on Monday and Thursday evenings from 7pm to 9pm. No experience necessary – beginners welcome. Just turn up on the night. Please bring flat shoes to change into. This may be one of the longest running clubs in the village and they would love more villagers to come along and have fun joining in.

The Hall can be found on the internet at *woottonvillagehall.com* and on Facebook https://www.facebook.com/WVHall/ For information about hiring the hall, contact via Facebook or Shelly Chapman Email: den2121shelc@hotmail.com

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