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Guest Editorial

“I was born too soon”, was sometimes said by someone I knew, who was born in 1899. She suffered all her life with depression. In her early years she received very little sympathy or understanding, mainly because at that time the people around her had no knowledge of her condition, so she was often told to “Snap out of it”. It wasn’t until the 1950s when antidepressants were discovered that her life became more tolerable.

In our 24/7 media world of today it is hard to imagine that the early years of the twentieth century must have been a very lonely place for people with mental health issues. No television, or radio, therefore no open and public discussions where people with similar conditions could talk about their situation, no experts giving advice, no information being sent across the airwaves. No social media, which may, or may not have been a good thing and probably no close friend with whom she could confide. She must have felt very alone.

It was also in the early years of the twentieth century when men and boys were returning home from the First World War, physically injured and mentally scarred. Who knows what atrocities they had seen and had to live with for the rest of their lives and very rarely spoke about it. How many times have you heard people say, “He was in the war, but never talked about it”? Fortunately there was some help for them. The Royal British Legion was founded in May 1921, primarily to provide help for those affected by World War I.

Treatments applied to what was known as “shell shock” ranged from very gentle to the more extreme. Later this condition became known as post-traumatic stress disorder, but it wasn’t officially recognised until 1980, although the symptoms were being recorded in America in the 1970’s when veterans from Vietnam were returning home and more was learnt about the condition. In the early years of the twentieth century not everyone had sympathy for these returning servicemen, some saw them as cowards and malingerers.

What a different world we live in today. Now mental health issues are better understood and no longer carry a stigma. We are encouraged to talk about anything and everything openly. Some subjects being so intimate and personal,

previous generations would have been horrified and would have had them reaching for the smelling salts. It is only relatively recently that mental health concerns have been so openly discussed and the subject become less taboo. People are now encouraged to discuss their problems, more so since Covid 19 when it was assumed that the whole country was in a collective depression. We were all encouraged by the media to “open up”, discuss our anxieties, hug a tree, take a walk in the countryside or, discover the therapeutic benefits of gardening.

Many programmes on television which involved a discussion would gravitate to the assumed depressed state of the nation, nature and gardening programmes to name a few. “Celebrities” were encouraged to come forward and talk about their mental state so it seemed that everyone in the country had an issue. We were in danger of going too far the other way and not distinguishing the difference between a genuine and serious mental health problem and a temporary set back in life.

Very few of us are given a smooth path to travel during our time on Earth, but some of us can cope with the bumps in the road better than others. For those who cannot cope there is help at hand. Not necessarily in the over worked N.H.S. where there can be a long wait to see a

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psychiatrist and parents wishing to have their children assessed for autism or ADHD can have a two year wait.

Help can be found in other ways. I was once in a large church in the Midlands where a Christmas tree festival was being held. There were over two hundred trees inside the church. There was one section of maybe a dozen trees or so where each tree was sponsored by an organisation or charity offering to help people through a dark time in their lives. I had not heard of some of them and didn't realise that so many existed, but between them they seemed to have covered every eventuality. This was in a town where there is a fair sized population. Rural areas maybe do not have the same choice and have to search harder or, travel further for help.

We have come a long way since the early years of the twentieth century and through the power of media we have become a more informed and hopefully caring society. No one needs to suffer in silence today if they look and ask for help. Let us be thankful that our problems can be discussed openly without the fear of a stigma, as many other people are in the same position. We live in a more understanding time where help is to hand, so if you have mental health issues then talk about it, if you don't then be the one who listens, so no one today can say they were born too soon.

Sylvia Turner

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Eunice the Ewe

Last month I was hiding in the photo from Hawes Primary School on page 10 and the lucky winner of the £10 prize is Chelsea Metcalfe of Hawes.

Where am I this month? To enter for the £10 prize, please include your postal address if replying by email.

A Day in the Dales, Welcoming Refugee Families to Wensleydale.

Our annual 'Day in the Dales' will be held on **Tuesday, July, 22nd, 10.00am** at the Carperby Pavilion. This is a day where we welcome refugee families, currently staying in Darlington, to Wensleydale where they are treated to a day of sports, activities, countryside and friendship.

Every year we encourage local families to come and take part in the activities, we always find our refugee families love to meet other families, and the children have a great time playing football and crafting together. We have a table for donations of children's clothes and toys, any clean items are very much welcomed and appreciated.

Following a morning of activities, we walk to Carperby Village Hall where lunch is catered for by a team of volunteers. To ensure we cater for the right number please let us know if you can join us. We then head down to Aysgarth Falls for a lovely afternoon walk.

It is a very special day; we really hope many of you can come and enjoy it with us. Please let us know by emailing davinthedales@gmail.com so we can cater for the correct numbers. If you can't make the day but would like to be involved, financial support for the delivery of the event would really help make this, and future days, possible. Thank you for your support.

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July Competition

Some British Birds (There are four anagrams)

- 1 A source of amusement
- 2 Train us home
- 3 Share grew pod
- 4 St Paul's designer
- 5 Section of a section of a roof
- 6 Dire raffle
- 7 Southwest let
- 8 Stamp collecting?
- 9 Hard conversation
- 10 Out of breath - no g!
- 11 Sour edger
- 12 A spade
- 13 Twice a relative
- 14 A fraction of a seabird

Please send in your answers to arrive by **Tuesday, July 22nd**. Don't forget to include details of your nominated charity which will receive the £50 prize should you win.

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June Competition Answers

1. Rome (Italy)
2. Lima (Peru)
3. Warsaw (Poland)
4. Kingston (Jamaica)
5. New Delhi (India)
6. Belgrade (Serbia)
7. Dublin (Ireland)
8. Amman (Jordan)
9. Khartoum (Sudan)
10. Beirut (Lebanon)
11. Baghdad (Iraq)
12. Bucharest (Romania)
13. Islamabad (Pakistan)
14. Bratislava (Slovakia)
15. San Jose (Costa Rica)
16. Manila (Philippines)
17. Budapest (Hungary)
18. Santiago (Chile)
19. Tripoli (Libya)
20. Astana (Kazakhstan)

Quite a few correct entries this month. The winning entry chosen at random was Margaret Metcalfe of Bainbridge whose nominated charity to receive the special rollover £100 award is Leukaemia and Myeloma Research. UK.

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	St Mary and St John's, Hardraw 9.00am	St Margaret's Hawes 10.30am	St Oswald's Askrigg 10.30am	St Matthew's, Stalling Busk 2.30pm
4 July	Sycamore Hall – Communion in the TV Lounge at 10am			
6 July	The Gathering—Benefice Family Communion St Oswald's Church, Askrigg at 10.30am			
13 July	Morning Prayer	Holy Communion	Café Style	12.30 Soup followed by Communion
20 July	Holy Communion	Family Service	Morning Prayer	
27 July	Morning Prayer	Holy Communion	Holy Communion	Afternoon Prayer Pathfinders and Explorers

Evening Prayer by telephone is held at **4.00pm** every Sunday.

For details see the website

www.upperwensleydalechurch.org/services

Musical Dales

"It's a right musical place is the Dales" I was once told and it doesn't take you long to realise just how true a statement that is. Brass Bands, Silver Bands, Choirs, Orchestras, National Festivals, Open Mic nights, Rock Music in Barns, Folk Music in Pubs, Recitals and performances in our Church buildings ... the list goes on and on and as a former music teacher and lecturer, I think it's wonderful.

The Bible speaks a great deal about music and the joy and the comfort it can bring. Music for celebrations, for mourning, for work, for battle, to inspire us, to soothe us and to unite us. Modern neuro science research is revealing that music is good for us in lots of different ways. I love it when science finally catches up with Biblical truths. Experiencing the collective responses of audiences at recent events in Hawes and Askrigg, it's clear that its unique power to help us continues.

As JS Bach began a new composition he would place the initials 'JJ' at the top of the paper – 'Jesus Juva' which means 'Jesus help me'. Whatever music you listen to this summer, that seems like a good focus.

Per Dave

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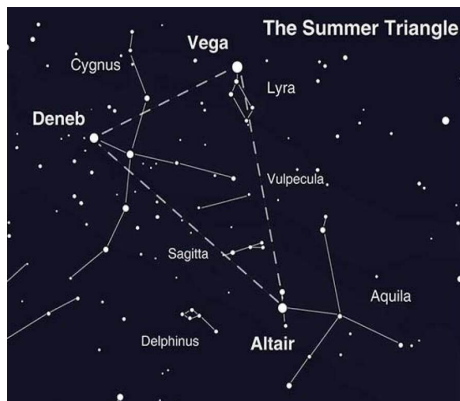
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Heavens Above

The Summer Triangle dominates the evening sky for the next few months. It's not a constellation as such but a large asterism or star pattern formed by Vega, Deneb, and Altair, the brightest stars in the constellations of Lyra the Harp, Cygnus the Swan and Aquila the Eagle.



All three stars are pretty easy to identify. Steely-blue Vega, the brightest of the trio, marking the Triangle's north-west corner, lies almost overhead at present, so its easily located. Deneb, the second brightest, lies at the Triangle's northeast corner and sits at the top of another well-known asterism, the Northern Cross, which outlines the Swan's body. It's a really formidable star, much bigger than our own Sun and nearly 200,000 times more luminous. The last of the trio, Altair, marks the head of the Eagle and forms the Triangle's southern corner. Altair's a very young star about a 100 million years old, and around twice the size of our own Sun. It's an amazingly fast spinner taking just under 8 hours to rotate on its axis – the Sun in comparison takes a leisurely 25 days. As a result Altair bulges at the equator making it look like a gigantic satsuma.

On a clear moonless night from a dark location, well away from street lights and the like, you can trace the Milky Way as it flows down through the Triangle towards the rich star clouds of Sagittarius low on the southern horizon. Its pale, luminous ribbon is a treasure trove of star clusters and gaseous nebulae well worth sweeping with binoculars or a wide-field telescope.

During July we're right in the middle of the Noctilucent Cloud season. Displays of these rare silvery-blue high altitude clouds can be really spectacular especially when they spread right across the sky. Look for them glowing wraith-like low in the north-west after sunset, and in north-east just before dawn. If by any chance you are out and about in the early hours keep an eye out for Venus shining brilliantly low in the north-east. On the mornings of July 21 and 22 it lies close to the slim crescent Moon. A striking sight in the deep blue pre-dawn sky. Have clear skies!

Al Bireo

Friends of the Dales

**Accessible Walk around Aysgarth Falls -
Thursday, July 17th.**

Jonathan Smith of Where2Walk and Yorkshire Dales disability access charity 'Access the Dales' will lead a four mile circular walk exploring a short stretch of the River Ure and its waterfalls. This leisurely paced, stile free route is suitable for most electric wheelchairs as well as being suitable for those who want to walk over less arduous terrain with time to chat and socialise. Two Trampler wheelchairs are also available to hire from the Yorkshire Dales National Park Centre at Aysgarth Falls.

For more details or to book your place/s click visit: www.friendsofthedales.org.uk/events.

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Bainbridge Womens Institute

The sun has come out, and so have we. Another really busy month has passed by and we have been juggling all our events and activities with our busy diaries.

In June, our Theatre Club ladies went along to The Georgian Theatre Royal to see 'Switcheroo' which they really enjoyed. This is a very clever play with two acts, same lines but completely different inferences and therefore atmosphere. Very clever.

The crafty ladies have had some sessions crafting on their own projects but there has also been a follow-up session to our previous Patchwork Quilting Workshop to guide us through finishing our cushions.

The keen gardeners have had a couple of outings too - one to Birstwith Hall Gardens and another to the Open Day at 'Just the Job' garden in Richmond. Let's hope they picked up some ideas for their own little patch of Yorkshire.

The 'Ladies Who Lunch' ventured into the wild at the end of May when they visited The Knight's Table near Settle. What an amazing place - and well worth getting lost trying to find. We had some lovely food in pretty impressive surroundings on a farm and are keen to re-visit in the future. There is no get-together this month, but at the beginning of July, the ladies will be heading to The Queens Head at Finghall to try out their offering.

Our keen walkers headed to Swinton Bivouac for their June walk. The weather was a bit indifferent but they enjoyed themselves nevertheless.

We were out on Bainbridge Village green once again to offer refreshments for the Beamish Reliability Rally lunch stop. We were lucky with the weather and had a really good trade, selling out of just about everything. This is our main annual fundraiser which allows us to put on a really busy and interesting programme for our members, so we are now set for another good year.

For our monthly meeting in June we had a special event when we invited members of Killinghall WI to join us. We have been twinned with them for many years but our get-togethers had rather lapsed over recent years, so, we decided to re-ignite the fire and invited our guests to come along to enjoy a talk by Martin Allen who is an RHS Gold Medal winning

botanical artist and wild flower meadow expert. Martin enlightened us on the wild flowers of Britain, and specifically our area before those who were able, headed off to Askrigg to walk to the wildflower meadows to try and spot some of these flowers for themselves. They then returned to the Village Hall where we laid on a delicious vintage Afternoon Tea. It was a lovely afternoon and great to get together with some fellow WI ladies.

We also had some ladies participating in the High Dales WI Treasure Hunt. This year, the venue was a secret, but it turned out to be a gentle wander around Gayle, looking out for the answers to the clues provided. This was good fun and was followed by a lovely summer supper served at Bainbridge Village Hall.

Our July meeting will be held at Bainbridge Village Hall on **Thursday, July 17th, starting at 7.30pm**. We will be inviting everyone to bring along their favourite recipes and plants to share and we are also hoping that Anne Harrison will give us a demonstration of her fabulous scones making recipe and techniques. Should be a fun evening. I have no idea how we manage to fit all this in, but somehow we do.

If you are interested in joining our busy and friendly group why not come along to one of our monthly meetings to see if you like it? You can get further details from our President, **Sue Stokes on 07816 955723**. We would be delighted to see you and offer a warm welcome and lots of opportunities. Do come along.



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Notes from Thorney Mire

Late Spring

I was opening the door of the outbuildings when something shot above my head and got in there before me; it was a swallow. It circled round for a while presumably looking for somewhere to nest, then flew out again. There was a pair of them. I saw them the following day and then they disappeared and I never saw them again. No swallows have nested with us this year and I have not seen any house martins. Where are they all? A few years ago we would have had several nests of swallows and house martins under the eaves of the house. The sky seems empty without them.

On the same day that I saw the swallow I heard the cuckoo. It was some distance away. I didn't hear it every day, but on several days afterwards. Once it was so loud it must have been close but I didn't see it.

We may not have had swallows, but a variety of other birds have nested in the garden and the surrounding area. Goldfinches built a home in the tall cypress tree several weeks ago and are still there now. They can have two or three broods a year. Blackbirds became their neighbours in the adjoining golden cypress where they reared their young. Spotted flycatchers renovated an old nest made of moss in the trellis in the front garden and reared three chicks.

I have managed to pot up all my window boxes and hanging baskets, but the wall baskets have had to wait because a wren chose to nest in the mossy lining of the basket next to the kitchen window. Wrens can have two broods a year, but I hope this one chooses not to as I've got geraniums waiting to go in there. There is a very small T-shaped gap in the stone work in one of our outbuildings. A blue tit managed to squeeze through the hole which would have been an achievement if it had done it from a standing position, but to fly in there from a small area between the wall and the greenhouse was even more incredible. It had to hit the gap at the right angle with Red Arrows precision, or it would have crashed. The gap was too small for me to see the nest, but I know there were chicks in there as I saw her doing her house keeping and removing the faecal sacs. (Apologies if you're eating). I have seen a young thrush in the garden, so there must have been a nest close by,

also a young robin looking a bit lost and not yet sporting its red breast.

There has been a frenzy of feeding around the bird station. A male chaffinch was feeding a young one. The female greater spotted woodpecker became an almost permanent feature on the peanuts, so would have had a nest in the wood. We had a family of great tits and the only way you could tell the difference between the old and young was to watch which one was being fed by a parent. A nuthatch came to feed by itself, then, out of nowhere, two gatecrashing siskins arrived and started to bully the great tits. The male woodpecker flew in which ended the dispute, as all the other birds flew away.

Darby and Joan, our two local collared doves have not put in much of an appearance this year, but they flew by yesterday afternoon when I put some bread on the feeders. They don't seem to like commercial food but prefer kitchen scraps.

I'm in dispute with a wood pigeon at the moment. I don't mind it hovering the debris the other birds have dropped, but I do object to it sitting in the pots and flattening my plants. It's no lightweight!

I have not seen any red squirrels recently, but I've seen a hare on several occasions. One afternoon I saw a red deer with a fawn in the wood, but she didn't hang around when she realised that I was watching her.

Twice recently, when I have been weeding in the garden I have accidentally disturbed two ants' nests exposing the larva. There are over 12,000 ant species in the world, but I suspect these were the black garden ants. Once the larva are exposed then it's action stations! Lots of little bodies running around in search of the vulnerable larva, picking them up in their pincers and returning them under the soil for protection. Some of the ants seemed to know what they were doing and retrieved the young straight away, others seemed to be heading in my direction, they probably thought I was the enemy and were going to mount an attack. Ants are some of the strongest creatures in the world in comparison with their size and can carry fifty times their own weight. They sometimes band together to remove larger objects, but even so, I think they might have had a bit of a problem with me.

Sylvia Turner

Thornton Steward Sailing Club (TSSC)

Setting Sail for the Future: How TSSC is Keeping Sailing Alive in the Yorkshire Dales.

Nestled in the breathtaking landscape of Wensleydale, just five miles west of Bedale, lies an oasis for water sports enthusiasts—the Thornton Steward Sailing Club (TSSC). A Royal Yacht Association Recognised Training Centre, TSSC has become the heart of sailing in the Yorkshire Dales, offering everything from dinghy training to paddleboarding, kayaking, windsurfing, and even radio-controlled yacht racing. Beyond recreation, the club serves as an essential gateway for local schools and youth groups to experience the thrill of sailing and watersports first hand.

Why the Tide Must Turn

Despite its strong community presence and commitment to training future sailors, TSSC faces a crucial challenge: outdated larger dinghies that hinder the quality of instruction. These aging boats take forever to drain after capsizing, impacting both safety and learning. As demand for training grows, the club is seeking to upgrade its fleet with two modern, self-draining RS Quest dinghies—boats designed for durability, stability, and enhanced spinnaker training.

By investing in these state-of-the-art dinghies, TSSC aims to increase participation from 20+ trainees to more than 30 annually, while also expanding its outreach to local schools and youth groups. This step will ensure that aspiring sailors can smoothly transition from beginner training to club activities and racing, fostering the next generation of skilled competitors.

We are currently in receipt of a Sport England grant to buy two new sailboats. This requires match funding of £7,500 and we are working with fantastic local businesses to raise this money using a crowdfunder page.

<https://www.crowdfunder.co.uk/p/replacement-double-handed-training-sail-boats>.

Why This Matters for the Community

Being the only sailing club serving this rural area, TSSC plays a vital role in making water sports accessible to people of all ages. In a country where Britain remains the most successful Olympic sailing nation—with 31 gold medals earned at Paris 2024—the

Yorkshire Dales deserves a thriving club that empowers residents to build skills and confidence on the water. The RS Quest dinghies perform similarly to racing boats, ensuring students can seamlessly step into competitive sailing—perhaps even following the path of Britain's Olympic sailing champions.

How You Can Make a Difference

This initiative depends on community support to make it a reality. Here's how you can help TSSC bring modern training boats to the Yorkshire Dales

Make a pledge—Momentum is key. Be among the first 25 donors and become a 'Quest Launcher', with your name immortalised in the clubhouse.

Spread the word—A share on social media can make a huge impact, helping the campaign reach more potential supporters.

Fundraise for the cause—From sponsored activities to personal fundraising ideas, community-driven efforts can help the campaign sail smoothly toward success.

The Yorkshire Dales deserves a vibrant sailing community, and with your help, TSSC can continue to provide life-changing experiences on the water. Let's make waves together.

10 Years of U3a In Leyburn

Leyburn u3a is celebrating its 10th Anniversary on **Friday, July 18th** at Leyburn Arts and Community Centre with music from the middle ages, plus coffee and a birthday cake.

Medieval musicians Trouvere will conduct a whistle-stop tour through the music of medieval Europe, accompanied by a magnificent display of instruments and illustrated by key pieces of music. Trouvere is medieval musicians Paul Leigh and Gill Page, their particular love is the music of the high middle ages – a time of crusades and the art of courtly love. They are also directors of the successful Medieval Music in the Dales Festival held annually at Bolton Castle.

U3a is a national organisation based on local groups providing opportunities for retired and semi-retired people to come together and develop their interests. Join us on **Friday, July 18th 10.00am for 10.30am** to find out what we can offer and how you can get involved or contact the Membership secretary at www.leyburn.u3asite.uk.

Hawes School News

It has been a busy June at Hawes Primary School with lots of work around "Taking our learning to other places" which is part of our school vision.

Dales Countryside Museum

Our Class 2 children visited the Dales Countryside Museum to work on the 'The Herds' project. They worked with Rural Arts and the museum staff to make puppets of creatures in the Yorkshire Dales National Park and found out about how climate change might be changing their habitat. All the children enjoyed their creative day.

Bikeability for Year 6

As part of our PE provision Year 6 children have undertaken their Bikeability training run by Stage 1 Cycles. They worked on the playground during the morning and then the children went out training all day on the road. All the children progressed well with this and were able to learn about safety on their bikes around Hawes. We would like to thank everyone at Stage 1 Cycles for working in school with us.

Hawes School PTFA

A huge Thank You to all who supported our PTFA's May Bank Holiday "Bucket of Booze" Raffle. We were so grateful for all the donations we received and for the amount of tickets sold. We are pleased to announce we raised £435.00, which is just fantastic! Thanks also to Carrs Billington – Hawes Branch for the donation of the bucket!

Our PTFA continues to welcome new parents to their group and they meet regularly and arrange fundraising to support all our children across school.

Swaledale Festival.

Trio Volant came to Hawes Primary School as part of the Swaledale Festival. The trio consists of oboe, clarinet and bassoon, all of which are reed woodwind instruments. They played a variety of well-known tunes, including the Muppet theme tune, Star Wars and The Hall of the Mountain King (which classes 2 and 3 recognised from a previous online concert and workshop).

Some children also got to be instrumentalists in an entertaining performance of The Blue

Danube waltz. The children thought the whole concert was "exciting, dramatic, energetic and excellent!"

Mental well-being walks

Mrs Metcalfe has again led our walks this term and all the children across school have enjoyed their time outdoors. They have walked with different children across school and have also enjoyed their natural surroundings looking at plants and animals in their environment. Thank you to Mrs Metcalfe for all her work as our Mental well-being Lead in school.

Please keep up to date with our school news via our website <https://www.hawesprimary.co.uk/> or contact school via email – hawes@ycatschools.co.uk. We also have a school Facebook page where you can view our learning in school.

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Leyburn Arts & Community Centre

Our Community Shed was last month officially opened after six years of hard work and collaboration by volunteers and supporters of the project.

The shed has been built in the grounds of St Peter and St Paul Roman Catholic Church adjacent to the Centre, which is based in the adjacent former Catholic primary school.

Three shipping containers were welded together to create the shed, which has been equipped with woodworking tools and also includes a space for crafting activities, workshops and IT sessions.

Funding for the £70,000 project has come from North Yorkshire Council, the Yorkshire Dales Millennium Trust and the Wensleydale and Swaledale Quaker Trust, as well as other funders, the Centre's own funds and numerous donations from the public.

The shed was officially opened by Chris Ellison, who was the first person to donate to the appeal. She gave the money in memory of her late father Alan, a former metal and woodwork teacher who lived in Leyburn, also donating his tools to the shed.

Julian Pinches, project manager and a trustee of the Arts and Community Centre, thanked the organisations, businesses and members of the community who had supported the scheme.

He said: "£70,000 is quite a lot of money, but when you see what we have achieved with that money, I think you'll agree it's a bargain. There has been huge challenges to get where we are. None of us had any experience of doing this before but we've done it." He added: "We've now got 40 members and an even split of men and women, which we're delighted about." Many local firms and businesses have also supported the project. Please email leyburncommunityshed@gmail.com for further information or if you wish to have a look around.

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Ben has an international reputation of outstanding pianism having performed in North America and across Europe and Scandinavia both in recital and as a concerto soloist. Ben is presenting a beautiful and very accessible programme of works by Bach, Schubert, Chopin and Rachmaninoff.

Later in the month, on **July 26th**, we are really proud to present an evening of British song by the acclaimed tenor James Gilchrist with his regular piano partner Anna Tilbrook.



James left his life as a doctor in 1996 to pursue a career in music and over nearly 30 years has truly excelled and been widely acclaimed not only for his beautiful voice, but also his ability to present music in such a personal and engaging manner for audiences. Successes include invitations from all over the world including from St. Petersburg in Russia, the Edinburgh International Festival, the Royal

Opera House Covent Garden, the Choir of Kings College Cambridge, the great concert halls and opera houses of Europe to San Francisco and many more.

James's programme for us is particularly personal to Aysgarth featuring a number of works by George Butterworth, sadly lost at the Battle of the Somme in 1916. His connection with Aysgarth dates from his school days at Aysgarth. Butterworth composed truly beautiful music including many songs. Included in the programme are his settings of the poems of A. E. Housman 'A Shropshire Lad' and James's first performance of 'Love Blows as the Wind Blows' from poems by W. E. Henley. Other composers featured are Vaughan-Williams, and John Ireland's settings of two poems by Rupert Brooke.

Concerts are at **7.30pm** in St. Andrew's Church, Aysgarth. Tickets at the door are £20 (£1 for under 18 and full-time students) or discounted when purchased in advance. For further details and tickets please see our website www.wensleydaleconcertseries.co.uk.

A quick word on parking: we have been having some problems this year with the RCP car park adjacent to the church. We had an arrangement where concert goers could leave a note on the dashboard and pay for 1 hour of parking, but they have automated payments by card only so the minimum charge is now £4. There may be alternative parking at the church (certainly for anyone with mobility issues) or, if you are able to walk, the National Park Car Park at the YDNP Aysgarth Falls Information Centre have allowed us free parking on concert nights if you display a note saying you are attending a concert. For up-to-date information on parking see the venue information at our website.

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Dales Charity Bingo Report

We held two bingo nights in June. The first was in Hawes, for Hawes in Bloom. The night was not as well attended as some previous nights, but we still managed to raise £160 to help fund the purchase of a few plants as well as the cost of the on-going care and maintenance provided throughout the flowering season.

Our second night was in Askrigg for the Yorebridge Sports and Leisure Centre. We welcomed a record number of younger players who claimed their fair share of the bingo prizes and we all learned a few new facts such as YSL is currently the number one Sports Centre on Trip Advisor for the Leyburn area. A fun evening was had by all with £300 raised for YSL which will go toward some new initiatives and planned activities at the centre.

Thank you to everyone who came and supported these evenings. Our next Bingo night will be in Hawes on **Wednesday, July 9th** for the Hawes Football Club please see our advert on page 37. We hope you can come and support the Hawes Football Club.

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Readers may remember back in November 2023 we featured an article about Stuart Armstrong's sketchbook consisting of 42 of his pen and ink sketches of Dales villages and landmarks (often gracing the front cover of the Newsletter). Stuart was making the sketchbook available for sale with the profits, after printing costs, going to the Yorkshire Air Ambulance. The Newsletter has received the following message from Stuart:-

Regarding the sale of my Sketchbook, I thank all the shops and businesses which offered to sell the Sketchbook with no financial benefit to them and all profits going to Yorkshire Air Ambulance.

Secondly, I really do thank all who have bought one of my Sketchbooks. It has been most appreciated and to me a very positive experience. I have sold 135 copies and with the deduction of the printing costs raised a total of £1,000.00.

Last year I gave £400.00 to the Yorkshire Air Ambulance and now I have given a further £600.00 so I am well pleased we have supported one of our popular charities in the area.

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Hawes In Bloom

A big thank you to my faithful team of volunteers who once again, in this our 11th year, helped to get the displays planted and put in place around town. Despite the several days of gale force wind and driving rain (after the previous weeks of lovely weather!) all was accomplished quickly and efficiently, as usual.

I must also thank all those who support the scheme in other ways: Peter Metcalfe who generously allows us to use his yard and storage facilities, along with financial support from our Parish Council, Hawes Market Tolls Trustees, JR Hopper and Co, Dales Charity Bingo and Gayle Whist Drive. Also, it's a great help from those who add on an additional sum to their bill, which enables me to water and feed, using the pick-up truck and tank, throughout the season.

A big thank you to all those who support Hawes In Bloom and let's hope the weather allows us to have a lovely blooming town again this year?

Best wishes.

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BAWB Schools News

We are now halfway through the Summer term, and it is safe to say that our calendar is full! Our Y6 have successfully finished their SATs and are now having an absolute ball on their residential in East Barnby near Whitby. We are so proud of them for all of their hard-work and determination, so they definitely deserve a fun-filled couple of days taking part in activities such as skiing, orienteering and body-boarding.

Last week our Y3/4/5 classes visited the Hindu Temple in Catterick Garrison and had a

great time learning lots about the festivals and traditions of Hinduism – our pupils were very respectful and were a credit to the BAWB Federation.

We are gearing up to our annual House Heroes event this Friday, when our children will take part in a range of fun activities aiming to score as many points as possible for their house team! Then it'll be time to start practising for Sports Day – phew! I think we'll be ready for a long nap come mid-July.

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The event includes 'live art' which aims to bring different disciplines of art to life allowing visitors to join in. The festival sets out to provide creative inspiration, especially for children within the community.

There's no charge for artists to exhibit so that they're able to make money directly with any sales and connections they make. Also there's no charge for visitors to come into the festival so that it's accessible to everyone no matter their financial situation. There are also activities at the festival that are free for festival goers.

The beauty in the practicality of this is that if you do decide to bring a little bit of money with you it can go to the artists - if you decide to buy a piece from them - and of course a coffee or gin.

The festivals main aim is to support local artists and creatives, hoping to enable further promotion and success for their endeavours within the arts industry....and of course for everyone taking part and visiting the festival, to have a lovely day!

The reason the festival was established in the first place was, in a non commercial manner, to provide a metaphorical megaphone to artists to shout about and show what they do without having to outlay financially in order to do that.

The festival is on **Saturday, August 30th**, from **10.30am to 5.00pm** and is held next to Dorant 4x4 by the bridge over Arkle Beck on the road to Grinton.. There's free parking available, it will be signed on the way in.

We have live music throughout the day on the stage and there will be food and drinks available. There are portaloos available on site. Please bring cash and card as some artists won't have card machines.

Finally... a shout out...if you have any gazebos that you're able to lend us we are always looking for additional ones for the day, please let me know. Email lyricist1111@yahoo.com. Thank you, hopefully see you there!!



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This morning, I met up with the new manager of the Rose and Crown Pub/Hotel in Bainbridge. Her name is Emma Parker, originally from Manchester. Emma has been in the hospitality business since she was 18 years old and has gained a wide range of skills during her career. She is assisted by her husband John. Between them they run the kitchen and bar. I'm told that the accommodation is fully booked for the Summer.

The establishment has been closed for some months and reopened a few weeks ago. Emma has smartened up the inside and hopes to do more during the coming Winter including upgrading the 12 bedrooms. Emma is planning events for this Summer including a "psychic evening", and entertainment with music. Darts and Domino teams will make a welcome return this Winter. The area overlooking the green is a good place to enjoy a drink sitting at the new array of benches.

We wish Emma and her team good luck with their new venture.

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- 4 Dominoes. Carperby Institute. 7.30pm.
- 4 Concert at Reeth Memorial Hall.
8.00pm. See p.28
- 5 Dalesplay Open Day. 10.00am-Noon.
See p.26
- 5 Concert at Reeth Memorial Hall.
8.00pm. See p.28
- 5,6 Middleham Medieval Festival.
See p.27
- 6 Gayle Methodist Church. Camp
Meeting. 2.00pm. See p.25.
- 9 Charity Bingo. Hawes Market Hall.
7.00pm. See p.37
- 12 Concert at St. Andrew's Aysgarth.
7.30pm. See p12
- 13 Meeting Hawes Junction Chapel.
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- 13 Concert at St. Andrew's Aysgarth.
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- 16 Penhill Ladies Fashion Show. 7.30pm.
Carperby Village Institute. See p.27
- 17 Accessible walk at Aysgarth Falls.
See p.6
- 17 Bainbridge WI meeting. 7.30pm.
Bainbridge Village Hall. See p.7
- 18 Concert at Reeth Memorial Hall.
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- 18 Ceilidh - Grassington Town Hall
7.00pm. See p.18
- 18 Lib Dem spokesman to visit Leyburn
Mart. See p.35
- 19 Community Variety Concert. 7.30pm.
St. Margaret's Hawes. See p.27
- 20 Bainbridge Village Hall. Informal
Service. 2.30pm. See p.14
- 22 Marie Curie Street Collections. Hawes.
10.00am to 2.00pm. See p.31
- 22 Day in the Dales for Refugees. See p.3
- 25 Marie Curie Street Collections. Leyburn.
9.00am to 3.00pm. See p.31
- 26 Concert at St. Andrew's Aysgarth.
7.30pm. See p12
- 27 Yorkshire Day Tea Train. Wensleydale
Railway. 2.30pm. See p.22

Dales Countryside Museum News

Opening times: Daily **10.00am to 5.00pm**,
February to October. Last entry one hour before
closing.

Contact: hawes@yorkshiredales.org.uk or call
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Exhibition: Inspiration – From Past to Present.
Until July 13th.

Members of the Small Group have spent time
exploring the museum collections, including
knitting sticks, socks and gloves, textiles,
wheelwright and blacksmith tools, minerals, ink
wells, tinsmith shelves, fossils and items from
the Victorian kitchen, medicine bottles and
butter markers. All these things have been used
as inspiration for stunning textiles, created using
many different textile techniques and mixed
media. The exhibition also showcases vintage
garments repurposed to illustrate facets of the
collection.

**The Wensleydale Sheep: A Handcrafted
History**

This exhibition features the unique work of 40
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Longwool fleece and the versatile range of
textile crafts for which it can be used.

This celebration of rural history, heritage
woolcrafts, and the increasingly popular and
sustainable practice of using British wool in
textiles, highlights the Wensleydale breed as a
luxury wool producer. The pieces vary from
hand woven tapestries and knitted lace
garments, to felted "wool paintings" and re-
upholstered furniture.

Special events link with the exhibition,
organised by a small group of passionate
individuals within the Wensleydale Longwool
Sheep Breeders' Association.

**Yorkshire Dales Young Archaeologists'
Club:**

The club meets once a month on a **Saturday
morning, 10.00am - noon**. At our meeting in
June, the group explored the built heritage of
Bainbridge and revisited the site of the Big Dig.
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Education and community engagement:

We've been busy with **The HERDS project** over the last month. This international creative initiative is on an unprecedented scale – an ambitious coming together of culture and climate action. Free drop-in activities were run for families. They explored climate change and the impact it is having on migrating birds and made their own swallow puppets from recycled materials to take home. The HERDS puppets will be marching through London on **June 27th -29th** and through Manchester on **July 3rd – 5th**. The climate patch banner and puppets made by children from Askrigg, West Burton, Bainbridge, Hawes, Upper Wharfedale Primary Federation (Grassington, Cracoe, Kettlewell and Burnsall Schools) are on display in the museum and will feature in a film being created by Art Fund.

The **Going Places project** - an ambitious, UK-wide programme that will engage new and underrepresented audiences with museum collections across the country through collaborative touring exhibitions – is underway. We will be recruiting young people aged 18–30 to take part in the project and co-create two touring exhibitions in a celebration of our collections, so watch this space! The project is supported by The National Lottery Heritage Fund and the Julia Rausing Trust with Art Fund.

Here are the DCM events coming up in July and early August. Events are included in the Museum admission unless otherwise stated and bookings can be made via hawes@yorkshiredales.org.uk unless otherwise stated.

Recipes and Remedies from the museum archives:

Tuesday, July 8th, from 10.00am (pop up sessions through the day).

Join Jane at a pop-up session in the museum to talk about some weird and wonderful recipes from our archives including those for tasty traditional favourites, writing ink or poisons and remedies for aches, pains, coughs and colds for humans and animals.

How the Dales were Made: Geology walk:

Tuesday, July 15th, 11.00am – 4.00pm. Please note the change of time – this walk will finish at **4.00pm** and not 3.00pm as stated on the leaflet. Join our experienced Dales Volunteers on this 5 mile (8 km) walk to discover the

geological forces which formed the Yorkshire Dales. Walk through the site of the former stone mines, Shaw Ghyll and visit the spectacular Hardraw Force, the highest waterfall in England. Starts at the Dales Countryside Museum. £10 plus a payment to enter Hardraw force. No dogs allowed.

FDCM talk. Wensleydale Sheep - A Handcrafted History.

Friday, July 18th, 7.30pm - 9.00pm.

Jodi Shadforth will share the history of the Wensleydale Sheep and the contemporary crafts created using the beautiful fleece of this breed of sheep. Donations welcome from non-members.

Hawes Town Trail:

Tuesday, July 22nd, 2.00pm – 4.00pm.

Join our experienced Dales Volunteers on this short 2.5 mile (3.5km) guided walk and explore the history of Hawes and the village of Gayle.

Family Activity Event - Churn Milk Peg: Needle felting forests.

Wednesday, July 23rd, 1.00pm – 4.00pm.

Churn Milk Peg is found near hazelnut trees, stopping folks from eating unripe nuts. Find out all about this local folklore character and have a go making a needle felted forest scene (with a needle-free option for our younger visitors). Time slot allocated on arrival.

Hands on History - Finds Illustration.

Thursday, July 24th, 1.00pm – 4.00pm.

Explore archaeology this summer with our Hands on History sessions: This week we'll be handling real archaeological finds and having a go drawing them. Time slot allocated on arrival.

All things Sheep.

Saturday, July 26th, 10.00am – 4.00pm.

Celebrating all things Sheep! We are delighted to have members of the Wensleydale Longwool Sheep Breeder's Association with us today. Fun for all the family to enjoy. There will be sheep in the amphitheatre, a talk from sheep breeder Jodi Shadforth and spinning demonstrations up in our textile gallery. Come along for a sensory experience that will leave you with a new found fondness for these lovely sheep.

DCM Events (continued)

Walling demos

Tuesday, July 29th, 11.00am—3.00pm.

Drop in and find out more about this iconic feature of the Yorkshire Dales.

Family Activity Event - Hobgoblins and Boggarts: Pompom hobgoblins.

Wednesday, July 30th, 1.00pm - 4.00pm.

Hobgoblins are friendly, mischievous creatures but be careful not to anger them or you may end up with a Boggart! Find out all

about them and then make your own pompom hobgoblin or boggart! Time slot allocated on arrival.

Hands on History - Archaeological Planning.

Thursday, July 31st, 1.00pm - 4.00pm.

Planning is a really important part of archaeology. Come and find out how it is done and have a go at planning yourself. Find out how we make plans or maps of a dig site. Time slot allocated on arrival.

Walling demos

Tuesday, August 5th, 11.00am—3.00pm

Drop in and find out more about this iconic feature of the Yorkshire Dales.

Wensleydale Railway Events

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9.30am Morning Prayer, St. Mary's,
Redmire.

11.00am Holy Communion,
St. Andrew's, Aysgarth.

11.00am Holy Communion,
St. Bartholomew's, West Witton.

Sunday, July 13th

9.30am Holy Communion,
St. Bartholomew's, West Witton.

11.00am Morning Prayer,
St. Andrew's, Aysgarth.

4.00pm Evening Prayer, Thornton Rust
Mission Room.

Sunday, July 20th

9.30am Holy Communion,
St. Mary's, Redmire.

9.30am Songs of Praise, St. Margaret's,
Preston under Scar.

11.00am Holy Communion,
St. Andrew's, Aysgarth.

11.00am Morning Prayer,
St. Bartholomew's, West Witton.

Sunday, July 27th

10.30am Holy Communion, Penhill Together
Service, St. Bartholomew's, West
Witton with The Rt Revd Nick
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July Mid-Week Services:

Thursday, 3rd, 17th and 31st at 9.30am.
Holy Communion, at St. Bartholomew's,
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A Sprint Not A Marathon

Certainly is, tackling a grassed area half the size of a football pitch and just as empty. We're pushed for time, the three of us having just a day to turn this featureless expanse into the beginnings of a garden, to soften with herbaceous borders and hard as nails smaller trees. The area fronts an immense house situated in parkland and is in desperate need of greenery. Situated south of Middleton St. George, it's a bonny, rural location but extremely exposed, so there are some careful choices to be made.

A medal please for the operator of that tiny mechanical digger who's spared us a ton of donkey work, partly excavating a trench for over a hundred hedging conifers. Nine inches down we're on to hardcore but Bob the Builder's made short work of that, quickly gouging out a decent depth for planting. Unfortunately, he's gone awol, so we have a 10ft pick and shovel slog remaining - time to roll up our sleeves. Don't you just love grunt work though, lets the mind wander and puzzle over the weird stuff - when was the last time I saw a pipe smoker, why no bypass for West Witton etc. Before you know it, job done and as our mate's been feverishly backfilling with yummy compost and planting, our hinges need oiling - brew time.

With the hedge boundary in place, spirits soar as we can now see a garden emerging -time's flying though so only a miserly 5 minutes for contemplative cuppas, deep breath and away we go, tree time. Viewing from the grand house, the eye follows the conifer hedge, left and right, as it converges on to a distant 10ft high thorn hedge. Pleasantly showy in summer, it's bare and gloomy for the rest of the year - solution? Inevitably, a couple of white birches, yes, I mention them EVERY article, either 'Jermyns' or 'Silver Shadow', planted 10 ft in front to create a mesh of luminous branches which will contrast effectively with that dingy background.

We're reducing as we approach the house with a pair of fabulous *Crataegus persimilis prunifolia* (just ask for plum leaved thorn, far easier), 15ft, white flowering, red berries AND autumn colour. Closer still, two 'Ballerina' Amalanchiers, 12ft, white, good late colour; that's enough now on the left-hand side as it's a mistake to overplant, as all ends up cheek by jowl and squabbling when what we need is plant harmony, thanks.

C'mon, no dawdling, onto the right-hand side where there's the problem of two giant manhole covers to disguise, so what to do? DON'T plonk a couple of containers over them - believe me, that would look, er, not great. Tiny features stuck in such a large area wouldn't work, so after a hurried consultation we decide to incorporate the problem into a larger rugby ball shaped border, 30 feet by 20 feet at its widest, and plant up with thuggish groundcover stuff: periwinkle, persicaria etc. with paired up red and yellow leaved berberises as centrepieces.

Pheh, just look at that time, nearly 3 o'clock but let's not panic, the finishing line's in sight. Last up and most importantly, a pair of matching borders separated from the front of the house by a 10ft flagged patio. As this is in prime position, visible from lounge and three bedrooms, we need a wow factor without too much height, so peach coloured potentillas 'Daydawn', and 'Abbotswood', brilliant white, surrounded by a massed planting of asters, cat mint, golden oregano and lowering to the edges, especially for the lady of the manor, with fetching pink phlox and dianthus. You're welcome, ma'am.

That's it, exhale, all planted up for five o'clock in deep, rich soil with a cast iron promise from the lord of the manor to keep well -watered. Skates on now, we're all booked in for beer and pizza tonight, though as we leave, I'm looking beyond the infant hedge into a huge field and can't resist further suggestions. A couple of copper beeches and a smattering of my all-time favourite Austrian pines wouldn't go amiss and how about I just shut up as we obsessives don't know when to call it a day.

Ed Gardener

Mencap's Public Transport Survey

Mencap recently carried out a "Big Public Transport Survey", which gave people in the UK with a learning disability the opportunity to answer questions about their experiences using public transport. Georgina Devine, who lives in Sedbergh, took part and gave her views on buses and dial-a-ride schemes in the area.

The report will be published in August by the Research and Impact Team at the Royal Mencap Society. For more information on this and all the work that Mencap does to support people with learning disabilities to have a voice, please visit www.mencap.org.uk.

Old Photographs and Advertisements

Here is another page from 'Hawes and its Immediate Neighbourhood - An Illustrated Guide for Visitors' dating from around 1910. Do any of our readers know where the Wharnccliffe Estate Office was located?

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Gayle Methodist Church – Camp Meeting

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For those visiting or new to the area, this is a quintessentially Wensleydale event not to be missed. The service will be followed by a traditional 'bring and share' tea in the chapel schoolroom. We hope to see you there.

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care for ourselves and keep our bodies healthy. The role play area has transformed into a doctor's surgery and the children have been caring for their poorly peers and bears. We have been mixing colours using syringes in the water tray, played games to learn which foods are good for our bodies and which foods aren't. We have been practising brushing teeth to help keep our teeth healthy and strong and children received free toothbrushes and paste, or a beaker cup to use at home.

The Ducklings room have been exploring under the sea. They played with ice and sand in the sensory tray, explored the textures of shells, shared stories of sea animals and developed counting with the boats and fish. Take a look at our facebook page to see what we have been doing.

We are holding an open day on **Saturday, July 5th, 10.00am - noon** for past, present and prospective new families. Come along and enjoy the fun and games. Weather permitting we will have a bouncy castle on the field for the children to enjoy. All our staff will be here so you can chat with your child's key worker and a chance to get to know us all and other families using the setting.

From September Dalesplay will be offering the 30 hours government funding for working families the term after the child's 9 months, alongside the deprivation 2 year funding and 3 and 4 year funding. To see if you are eligible please visit www.childcarechoices.gov.uk. Dalesplay is also able to offer the funding either term time only or spread over the full year. Just speak to Joanne for more details at dalesplay1@btconnect.com or phone **01969 667789**. We do still offer the paid sessions and holiday clubs for children 3 months - 12 years too.

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Hawes Band in July.

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The Gayle Camp Service has taken place in Gayle Chapel for many years. The band accompanies the hymns on **Sunday, July 6th at 2.00pm.**

The Community Variety Concert is a new event on **Saturday, July 19th at 7.30pm** in St. Margaret's Parish Church, Hawes with Hawes Silver Band, Hawes Community Primary School and local vocalists. Entry is free but a retiring donation is requested. Come along and help to make this a permanent event in the Hawes calendar.

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As an extra bonus to an enjoyable evening, there will also be a 10% discount on all purchases on the night and a 10% voucher to use in the shop within a month of the show.

Members entrance is of course free. Visitor's tickets are available for purchase at £5.00 from: **Caroline at The Larches, Richmond on 07851757033 or Carole in Redmire on 07986 699873.** Also on the door at Carperby Village Institute on the evening. Light refreshments will be served during the evening.

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SUNDAY 6TH AT THE KEY CENTRE:

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2.15 pm: 'The Princes in the Tower:
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SUNDAY 6TH 9.30 am: Morning Worship at the Church of St. Mary & St. Alkelda

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Friday, July 18th – The Abba Girls Band:

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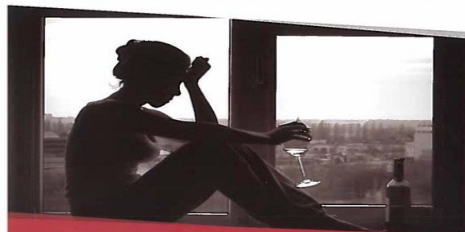
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Wensleydale School

Literacy Strategy – Words Matter.

As we continue to embed the practice of Reading weeks, it is useful to understand why literacy is central to everything we do in schools. We follow the Education Endowment Foundation recommendations and below is a brief explanation of how we have implemented them in our school.

In September 2022 we began the journey by:

1. Prioritising ‘disciplinary literacy’ across the curriculum.

Disciplinary literacy emphasises the importance of subject specific support. We developed word banks in every subject and year group,, which has developed into our Homework booklets - students have to learn words and definitions from each subject each week for a key word test.

2. Provided targeted vocabulary instruction in every subject.

Teachers in every subject should provide explicit vocabulary instruction to help students access and use academic language. Our ‘Fast 5’ starter at the beginning of every lesson are 5 quick recap questions which revisits key vocabulary from the previous lesson, so that it is embedded...which also links in to....

3. Develop students’ ability to read complex academic texts.

To understand complex texts, students need to actively engage with what they are reading and use their existing subject knowledge. Reading strategies, such as activating prior knowledge, prediction and questioning can improve students’ comprehension.

4. Break down complex writing tasks,

Writing is challenging and students in every subject will benefit from explicit instruction in how to improve. The introduction of teachers marking ‘Live’ in the lesson ensured we give prompt feedback.

5. Combine writing instruction with reading in every subject.

Teaching spelling, grammar and punctuation explicitly can improve students’ writing, particularly when focused on meaning. The use of ‘live’ marking in terms of correcting Spelling, Punctuation and Grammar (SPAG) in every subject supports this strand.

6. Provide opportunities for structured talk.

Talk matters: both in its own right and because of its impact on other aspects of learning. Our introduction of Oracy lessons in KS3, a few years ago has embedded our debating skills for all students.

7. Provide high-quality literacy interventions for struggling students.

Schools should expect and proactively plan to support students with the weakest levels of literacy, particularly in Year 7. This is our biggest challenge and one that we are working towards for September 2025, More to follow.

Thoralby and District WI

It has been a busy and interesting couple of months for our WI. In May we had a cookery demonstration from Julie Clarke which was enjoyed by everyone especially as she came at short notice, as the arranged speaker was unable to attend our meeting. This month, Sandy Carter from Marrick Priory, gave a fascinating talk about the Priory covering the history going back to the twelfth century and then showing everyone how the Priory is used today There was a very enjoyable visit to the tulip display at Constable Burton and in July there is a visit to Winton Park Gardens. Local short walks are planned over the next few months which will include tea and cake or lunch at the end of the walk. It’s always good to have new members joining our WI. If you are interested in joining or would like further information, please contact our President, **Sally Stone, on 01969 663294.**



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If you're able to spare an hour to help at either of these, either sign up via <https://www.mariecurie.org.uk/get-involved/fundraise/collect> or contact: Gemma Hewitt - gemma.hewitt@mariecurie.org.uk.

The money raised from these events will be used locally to help those who are living with any terminal illness. The Marie Curie Nursing Service will give Hospice Care at Home to those in need. If you are interested in helping Wensleydale Fundraising Group to raise more money for Marie Curie, can help with any of the above, or are interested in bringing things to sell at the car boot, please email: wensleydale.mariecurie@gmail.com.

Helping to organise, or to help at, events, holding a tin at a street collection, putting up a poster, etc., if you're able to give an hour or two here and there, you'll be very welcome.

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Janacek	<i>Idyll</i> Suite
Percy Grainger	<i>Molly on the Shore</i> .

Three soloists are led by the orchestra's director, international solo violinist Philippa Mo, and there is an additional mystery piece. After four sell-out concerts, they are very much looking forward to playing in perhaps the loveliest of the Dales churches. Refreshments available in the interval.



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Dancing in the Dales

Social dancing in the Yorkshire Dales continued into the second half of the 20th century. The village dances were very popular, with combinations of folk and old-time dances enjoyed.

Peter Barnard is researching into the different dances – and their variations – danced in the Dales in the last century and this, and he is keen to speak with anyone who has memories of dancing at dances in the Dales. It's perfectly acceptable for your memories to be incomplete! His contact details are:

Mobile – **07919 627270**

Email – peter.barnard@me.com

Peter Barnard is returning to the area to run a ceilidh of the local Dales dances with the ceilidh band, The No Lazy Dancing Dance Band, at Grassington Town Hall on **Friday, July 18th (7.00pm-10.00pm)**.

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Sykes' New Owners and Their Bit On The Side

I caught up with Graeme and Helen Oswald to see how they were settling in after taking over Sykes's House Shop and B&B in Askrigg at the end of March.

Graeme and Helen have lived and worked in hospitality in the Askrigg area for many years and were looking to buy a house in Askrigg when the local shop and B&B came on the market. They were the ideal couple to take over Sykes's as they were already familiar with most of the customers and understand the needs of locals and tourists alike. They both really enjoy talking to customers and exploring new ideas for stock and services they can offer.



A few key changes to the layout and the addition of extra shelving has made the shop look more spacious. They have kept all the usual stock from local suppliers but have also added some new products like the "Fakeaway Freezer" range of pizzas, currys etc and Wensleydale ice cream. Helen is lactose and gluten intolerant and so stocks a wider range of 'free from' goods and dairy alternatives. There are a wider range of cheeses available and you can now get freshly baked pies on a daily basis. They have had a suggestion box in the shop and have already

acted on a few ideas like keeping white wine and beer in the fridge for those last minute emergency purchases. They even have a Stick Library outside for our four-legged friends!

Graeme and Helen are working closely with Bakewell in Askrigg so that they don't cross over product lines with the cakes they offer and take it in turn to collect the fresh bread supplied by Thomas the Baker. The couple can put together welcome hampers for holiday cottages and offer a delivery service on a Saturday for those who can't get to the shop easily. If they haven't got something in stock they are happy to order it in and working with local suppliers, can usually get things within a few days.

Helen's daughter Jennifer has been helping with the marketing side of things and they have a new logo, advertising board, face-book page and website. They were advised not to make too many big changes with the rest of the building until they had been there 6 months and explored all the options carefully. They are letting the 2 bedrooms, but have moved the breakfast room upstairs freeing up the ground floor space next door to the shop. Graeme and Helen were already selling a wide range of gifts and goods on ebay before they took on the shop, so decided to sell their stock from the room that houses the Post Office on a Monday and Wednesday afternoons. They were looking for a name for this side of the business, which had been described by many as Askrigg's version of the Middle Aisle, when a customer suggested "Sykes's bit on the side" and it stuck.

If you haven't been in Sykes's recently go and have a look at the changes, have a chat with Helen and Graeme and pop into the 'Bit on the Side' - you never know, you may find that item you never knew you were looking for!

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"I cannot remember a time when farmers were treated so badly by those in power". This is a quote from Tim Farron MP, Lib Dem spokesman on Farming and Rural Affairs who will be visiting Leyburn Mart on **Friday, July 18th**. MP for Westmorland and Lonsdale for the last 20 years, he has been vigorously supporting the farming industry in Parliament and has made the point that international turmoil means that now must be the time to increase Britain's food security. His visit to Leyburn Mart will give farmers the opportunity to make their views known to him and to hear what has been happening on the farming front at Westminster.

Tim Farron will spend time at the mart and then go to Tennants in Leyburn for **11.00am**. Tickets for lunch which follows are £30 from <https://bit.ly/42MtFCa> and all are welcome. For further information contact Richard Good richardtyneholme@gmail.com.



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Junior Tennis Lessons! We are thrilled to have Mark, LTA Level 4 coach, with us to deliver junior tennis lessons this summer.

Mark will be doing two mornings, **9.30am – 11.30am on the 24th and 25th of July**. It is £35 per junior, that is the total for both mornings, not per morning.

Booking essential and payment required by **Thursday, July 10th**. Booking is through our ClubRight system or by emailing admin@yorebridge-sport.co.uk.

Tennis Time! We are proud to be Members of the Lawn Tennis Association (LTA), our courts can be booked through their website <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/YorebridgeTennisClub>. You don't even need to worry about having the correct equipment, we have rackets and balls available on the court at no extra cost.



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Tennis membership can be purchased on our ClubRight website, we have individual and family memberships available: - yorebridgesportandleisure.co.uk/membership.

Can I come to the gym? Yes. A gym is a safe place to exercise for anyone of any fitness level. All gym users must receive an induction, this will build your confidence and understanding of how to get the best out of the equipment and machines. If you are visiting the Dales and would like to keep your regular gym sessions going during your stay, we have a self-certification form for those who have undertaken an induction in their local gym and are confident and competent gym users. This is available on the sign-in desk. Please don't hesitate to get in touch with any questions.

Gym membership – purchased through ClubRight gym management system <https://www.yorebridgesportandleisure.co.uk/>.

We have a variety of gym memberships including monthly, couples, student, and junior memberships, as well as pay as you go vouchers. These allow you to use the gym in a way that suits you and have a great workout to meet your needs.

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Yogafusion – (£6) **Thursdays** (live) **9.30am – 10.30am** with Janesse. To book please email yogafusionbyj@gmail.com.

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Over 40's Walking Football (£3) **Fridays** (live) **6.30pm – 7.30pm** with Glenn on the MUGA, yorebridgetennis@gmail.com.

Facebook - We are on Facebook, Yorebridge Sport and Leisure, give us a follow to keep up to date with the news from the centre.

Fundraising - We have an Easyfundraising account for The Yorebridge Sports Development Association Ltd. It is simple to join, doesn't cost you a penny and will help us to keep delivering. Simply scan the QR code and follow the steps, thank you so much for all your support!



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Blueboxt July Update

Summer Activity Afternoons - Join the BlueBoxt team for afternoons of creative fun for ages from four to twelve years old. Three Sessions will be taking place from **1.00pm to 5.00pm on Thursdays, August 7th, 14th and 21st** at Leyburn Methodist Church Hall, DL8 5AT. (Earlier drop off and later collection may be possible strictly by prior arrangement.) Registration costs £20 per child, per session which includes healthy snacks and teatime meal. Free FEAST Voucher places are available (issued through schools or North Yorkshire Together).

We've loads of exciting activities planned. Our Crafty Crafters will be making cards, models and amazing art. There'll be games, sports and play park adventures for our Team Players. Scavenger hunts and nature walks for our young explorers. Our Melody Makers and Stage Stars will be creating music and drama and, our Kitchen Kadets will be preparing some nutritious snacks and tasty treats too.

Our fun engaging activities spark imagination, build confidence, and create lasting friendships and memories. Come play, create, and discover with us!

A vision for creative growth in Wensleydale and Swaledale - Robin Jackson from Ryedale Creative shared the findings of our Enterprise and Creative Feasibility Study. The public meeting held in Askrigg Temperance Village Hall considered options for developing a hub to support rural arts provision and career pathways for employment across Wensleydale and Swaledale. Options included: Uredale Mill (Carrs Billington) in Askrigg, Norfolk House (Serendipity) in Leyburn, and West Burton Methodist Chapel.

The next steps are to further investigate the report findings, work up development costs and form a steering group to take the project forward. Thanks to the UK Shared Prosperity Fund who funded the research and everyone who has taken part so far.

To find out more or book places for our events and activities visit www.wensleydale.org or contact Colin Bailey on: **01969 745810/ 07711 21169** or email: info@wensleydale.org.



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News from Sycamore Hall

Another month passed by only this one didn't feel so much like Summer. Nevertheless, we have been busy, as always, keeping active and enjoying ourselves.

We had a successful coffee morning to raise funds for the Bainbridge Christmas Lights Appeal and were delighted that we raised £179 for this great cause. Hopefully, this will help the organisers to put on a good display this year and perhaps decorate some of the area around Sycamore Hall for us to enjoy.

We also had a coffee morning when we were joined by an officer from North Yorkshire Police who was educating us on avoiding the scammers. This is a terrifying crime, targeted particularly towards the vulnerable, but we now have tips to help us spot and avoid falling into the traps.

Our keen gardeners have been busy out in the garden, planting some of their favourite flowers and shrubs in the beds to the rear of the building and Alan is now looking after our vegetable garden. We hope it may be possible to enjoy some of the fruits of his labours in due course.

Some of our residents went on a visit to Strikes Garden Centre with Sonja and Karen where they enjoyed lunch and lots of shopping.

Meanwhile, we have a fabulous new service available from beauty therapist, Lianna. She will be coming along every 5/6 weeks to work out of the Hair Salon. Lianna will be offering a range of services, including manicures, pedicures, facials and massage - all at very reasonable prices. Give her a call to make an appointment and find out just what she has to offer. Her number is **07792 086189**.

By the time you read this, we will hopefully have enjoyed a lovely day out on Yvonne's Dales Tour. Bob Foster is taking a coach on a tour of the Dales, stopping en route to enjoy lunch at Kearton Country House Hotel, Thwaite - and all in memory of one of our lovely residents.

We should also have enjoyed a summer afternoon with strawberries and cream to celebrate Wimbledon. Fingers crossed that we get to enjoy this with good weather and not the frequently seen Wimbledon rain.

Our dominoes players are increasing in number each week, which is lovely to see. You

are welcome to come and join them at 2.00 pm on most weekday afternoons. There is always a lot of laughter (and possibly a bit of cheating.), all enjoyed with tea and biscuits.

Our regular timetable of activities is as follows:-

Mondays at 2.00pm - 'Knit and Natter' and Dominoes

Tuesdays at 10.30am - Bingo or Quiz

Thursdays at 10.30am - Coffee Morning

Fridays at 11.00am - Gentle Seated Exercise with Janet Seymour and Dominoes at **2.00pm**

Monthly services take place with Revd. Dave Clark and the local Methodist Preachers. Please check for dates each month.

You are very welcome to join us for any of these events and activities. We love to meet new faces as well as familiar ones and can offer a warm welcome.

Don't forget to put your name on our mailing list for the new Community Cinema - forms available from Karen or Sonja or email sycamorecountrystore1@outlook.com.

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