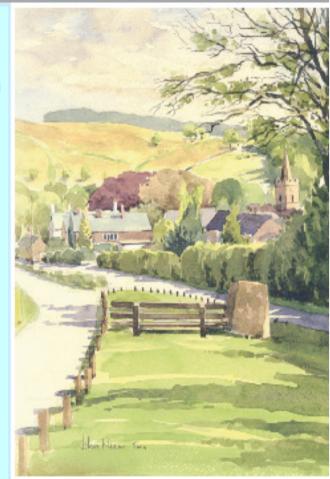
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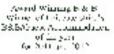
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It seems to me... all baptised people possess this gift

hat does it mean to be filled with the Holy Spirit? We will be celebrating across the Parish the festival of Pentecost on the 8th June, Whit Sunday, which commemorates the first outpouring of God's Holy Spirit to the Disciples, shortly after Jesus had risen from death and ascended to heaven.

It is often thought of as the day the Church was born, its birthday, the day when the disciples who had followed Jesus became inspired leaders of a new religion. They spoke in other languages; they were given new insight and new confidence and new skills. They were transformed. But what can we expect from the Holy Spirit today?

Firstly, the Holy Spirit is not given just to a few special Christians. All baptised people, all who genuinely seek to follow Jesus, possess this gift from God. We celebrate the imparting of the Spirit throughout the baptism service and in particular mark it by the presentation of a lighted candle. Jesus' light, his guidance found through the Spirit, is there to guide and encourage all who seek to live a life based on following his teachings, commandments and examples.

3 Secondly, the Bible teaches us that this gift

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What can we expect from the Holy Spirit today?

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manifests itself in different people in that it can have on us. All of us can different ways. No one can say that because I can't do this or that. I don't have the Spirit. All Christians share in God's gift of himself. whether they know it or not. It can be very off-putting as a Christian to see how the Spirit may manifest itself in others, leaving us with a sense of impoverishment in this department. However, we are all different and God blesses us in very different ways. The diverse gifts brought from the indwelling of the Spirit are not there as a measure of 'maturity' in the faith with some perceived to be greater than others. they are all important to the individual who has received them. They are indicative only of that persons Christian journey, never to be compared one to another, and of course these Spirit given gifts change over time as we grow in faith and follow the life path that God has planned for us, equipping us differently for different phases of our lives.

But thirdly, all of us can learn to encourage this gift and the effects learn to be more open to the Spirit's transforming work within ourselves and within the Church. All of us can learn to recognise better the Holy Spirit at work in us and in the people around us. All it needs is prayer; for when we pray the Spirit is already at work drawing us into God's presence and the closer that we are to him, the more clearer we can see his hand on our lives and those around him. Every time we pray we are opening ourselves anew to the Spirit's transforming work. And if we pray regularly, we will, like the Disciples, find ourselves doing more than we ever dreamed possible in Christ's service.

What can we expect from the Holy Spirit today? ...

... anything and everything, for with God, all is possible and the great joy of the Christian life comes in recognising this and celebrating it. Revd Peter

Revd Ros' Ordination

On Saturday 28th June at Leicester Cathedral, Revd Ros will be Ordained Priest by Bishop Tim. The service starts at 5.30pm, admission is by ticket only, and places are limited. Please sign up for tickets and transport (if required) on the list at the back of each of our Churches. Please continue to hold Ros and her family in your prayers at this very special time for them.

VILLAGE DIARY

June 2014

- 7th Ramblers (Cathedral Group)
- 4th Bradgate Flower Club
- 12th 14th Newtown Linford Choral Society
- 14th Ramblers
- 15th Fathers Day
- 20th Bradgate Flower Club (Pudding Evening)
- 22nd Confirmation Service with Bishop Christopher
- 23rd Parish Council Meeting

July 2014

15th Flower Club Coach trip to North Luffenham

Regular events

Monday afternoon Mondays 8pm at the Church 1st Monday of the month 4th Tuesday of the month 1st Wednesday of the month 3rd Wednesday of the month 3rd Thursday Mature Movers fitness class V. Hall Bell Ringing Youth Club Gardening Club Flower Club Ladies Luncheon Club Gentlemen's Lunch Club

22nd June is an important day in the Church calendar for Newtown Linford.

We will be holding our first Confirmation Service at 10.30am in the Church for several years and it will be led by Bishop Christopher.

What is Confirmation?

Confirmation marks the point in the Christian journey at which you affirm for yourself the faith into which you have been baptized and your intention to live a life of committed discipleship. This affirmation is confirmed through prayer and the laying on of hands by the confirming Bishop. The Church also asks God to give you power through the Holy Spirit to enable you to live in the way of Jesus



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Village Ramblers 2014

Meet : Opposite the Village Hall, to depart at 2pm unless stated otherwise.

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DateWalk leadersTelephone7th JuneCathedral Walkers - See invitation to join below

14th June Glenis Meredith 242897

The walk will be shorter than usual, as the Village Choir members have an evening performance.

Thank you to Penny for leading the May walk.

On Saturday 10th May, 14 ramblers and 5 dogs gathered for a circular

'Bluebell Walk', starting at Ratby Burroughs car park at the top of Burroughs Road, Ratby. Following the track across the first field, we entered Burrough Wood to be met by swathes of bluebells, which, although past their best, were still glorious to behold, along with yellow archangels, stitchwort, red campion and



huge bushes of scented May. The walk continued across the fields, crossing Slate Brook and passing the woodland at Whittington Rough. Circling a very sizeable pond, often the home to numerous ducks, we continued past the stables, eventually crossing Cow Lane and followed a track which meandered for some distance (good sloes around here come October!) before meeting a track that forms part of the Ivanhoe Trail. After a lovely 2 hour walk we arrived back at the car park. In spite of the forecast predicting 'a pretty wild May' we were fortunate, with some lovely sunshine and just one unexpected shower. And - for some of us our first 'cuckoo' of the year! Penny.

Any queries please contact Glenis, tel 01530 242897 or <u>glenis72meredith73@gmail.com</u>

Leicester Cathedral Walking Group – Treasures Unlocked Visit 3/14 – Saturday 7 June 2014 – Brooke

The next walk of the Cathedral Walking Group will be on **Saturday 7 June 2014** when we will be visiting St Peter's Church, Church Lane, Brooke, Rutland. Postcode for SatNav - LE15 8RE.

The visit will follow our established pattern of lunch at the Blue Ball Inn, 6 Cedar Street, Braunston-in-Rutland, Oakham, Rutland, LE15 8QS at 12 noon, a visit to St Peter's Church at 1.30pm followed by a short walk lasting about 1½ hours through the surrounding countryside. To find the pub look for the brown tourist attraction sign, reading, *'17th Century Inn'*. The landlord has requested that we pre-order our lunch, the menu is available on the Blue Ball website at<u>www.theblueballbraunston.co.uk</u>. Please have your menu choices available when you book in.

To book in or for further details, a copy of the information document or to add your name to the 'Future Walks List', please contact Mick McQuade on 0116 231 3298, Mobile 07879 67 57 67 or by email to mick.mcquade@ntlworld.com

Well-behaved dogs only are welcome, to be under the close supervision of the owner, and to be on the lead where there is livestock or nesting birds. Please check with the leader that dogs are allowed across any access land. *Disclaimer. Members are reminded that participation in walks is at their own risk, and that the leader(s) accepts no liability for any loss or injury, however caused.*

NEWTOWN LINFORD CHORAL SOCIETY

Tickets are selling well for our Summer Concert "Colours" $12^{th} - 14^{th}$ June in the Village Hall and we also have several other events coming up in the next few months making 2014 a busy year for the Choral Society.

We are delighted to have been invited by Loughborough Orchestra to sing Faure's Requiem at 7.30pm on Saturday, 21st June, at Emmanuel Church in Loughborough. The orchestral programme includes Tchaikovsky: Capriccio Italien op.45 and Rimsky –Korsakov: Scheherazade op.35. Solo violinist is Zosia Cocker. Conductor: Trevor Lax, Choir Director: Sue Ford.

On Thursday, 13th November, the Choral Society will be performing a Concert with a varied programme at Markfield Court Community Centre. Enquiries or tickets for any of these events contact Peter Sayer 01530 243822.

8 Keep in touch with us on our Facebook page.



Iris Sayer

NEWTOWN LINFORD CHORAL SOCIETY COLOURS

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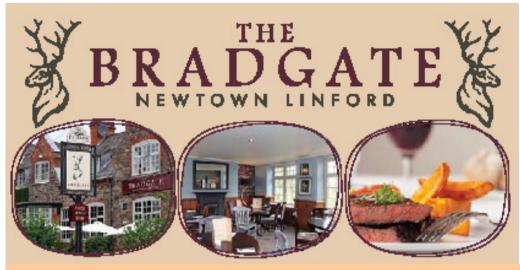
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visit www.thebradgate.com email contact@thebradgate.com or call 01530 242239 37 Main St, Newtown Linford, Leicestershire LE6 0AE We now move into our summer programme with a variety of events, some organised by the Club and others by members and their friends.

The first of these is on Bank Holiday Monday when six gardens on Main Street will be open to the public. This event is under the auspices of the National Gardens Trust and all proceeds from the event will go to charity. We hope that many readers will take a walk up Main Street and spend some time in these lovely gardens. The Linford has kindly given permission for visitors to use their car park, so great congestion can be avoided.

Our June meeting on the 22nd is in the Village Hall when Vic Aspland will be talking about cyclamen in cultivation and in the wild. He will be bringing books, prints and cards which we will be able to buy.

July will be very busy. Mike and Liz New-

combe open their garden on Ulverscroft Lane on the 6th and 13th of the month. They have a wonderful collection of trees and a view over the fields which we can all envy. This is another event for the National Gardens Trust, which we hope many will support.

At the end of July we hold our annual Summer Garden Party, again at Mike and Liz's garden and in August we travel to Yorkshire to visit the RHS garden at





Harlow Carr. If the

weather remains fine and sunny we will have a splendid time.

Tickets are now available for our celebrity event in the autumn. On 4th November Adam Frost will be coming to Newtown Linford. He has already won gold medals at Chelsea for garden design on four occasions (perhaps five by the time he comes to speak to us!!!) and is now one of the newly established experts in this subject. He



appears on our screens at regular intervals and has a reputation as a fascinating speaker with an innovative gardening brain. As last time, when Christine Walkden came to our Village, we will invite members of other Gardening Clubs and interested visitors to join us. Tickets will cost £10 and are available from the Secretary (see below for contact num-

bers). We will also be offering special group rates and details of these can be obtained from the Secretary.

We have welcomed a large number of new members this year and will be pleased if others want to join us. If you are interested in our activities just contact the secretary (tel. 242452 or e-mail <u>01530242452@talktalk.net</u>), or come to one of our meetings to see how you like it before making a commitment (£2 for visitors). Alternatively give us a ring and ask for a copy of our programme for the coming year and we will be pleased to send one to you.

Anne and David Couling

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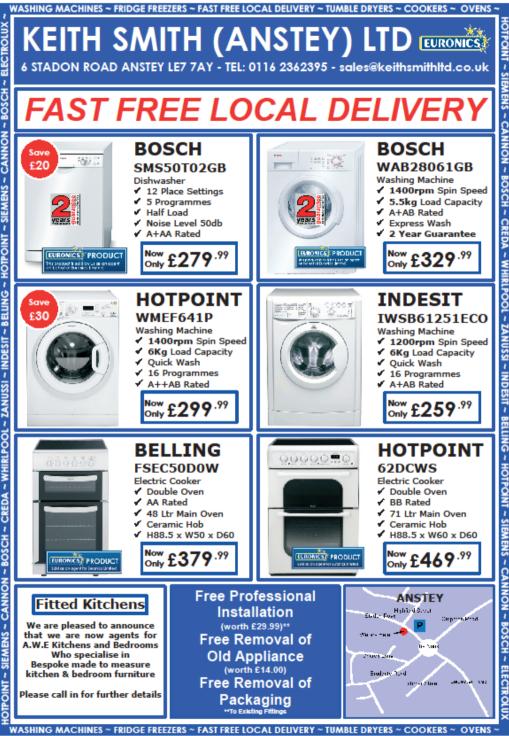
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From the Park Bluebells, Computers and David Attenborough



People often wonder what we find to do all day. After all, one of Bradgate's many charms is that it represents an unspoilt and unchanging sanctuary that seems far removed from the many pressures and hectic pace of the modern world so surely there cannot be much that needs doing to keep it that way.

Apart from the daily round of feeding the deer, cutting grass, rolling bracken, repairing dry stone walls and the myriad of maintenance tasks inherent in running any large rural estate, we welcome in excess of half a million visitors every year and all these people take some looking after in terms of parking cars, serving food and drink, giving information and directions, cleaning the loos or just picking up their litter.

We are always looking for new ways to engage people with the history and wildlife of the Park and fulfilling our Founder's wish that the Trust's activities should be aimed at *"improving the conditions of life"* for visitors.

Since last year we have been hosting a monthly "Netwalk" organised by Skylark Activities from Derbyshire. These events are designed to be a new twist on the usual business networking event and give those attending the chance to meet new people and make new contacts while enjoying a walk in the Park. I try to go along and explain a bit about points of interest as we go and the walk finishes with coffee and bacon sandwiches in the Conservatory Tearooms.

For May's event, Skylark Activities teamed up with the Fit for Work Team at Voluntary Action Leicestershire and the Active Travel Team at Charnwood Borough Council to offer an enhanced Netwalk, which saw about a dozen of us striding out in the early morning sunshine. One of the features of interest that we stopped to look at was the wonderful display of Bluebells carpeting parts of the Park. The Bluebell is a woodland plant and is one of those species that is known as an "indicator" species of ancient woodland so to see them flowering in an open area at first seems strange but they have survived for many years beneath the bracken canopy and can now flower again in those areas where the growth of the bracken has been weakened by rolling. One of my correspondents last year was concerned that these Bluebells might be of the invasive Spanish variety but we have had them checked out and I can confirm that they are 100% native British Bluebells! That morning walk felt like the first time I had been out on the Park for ages. I seem to have been trapped in the office for weeks staring at a computer screen. Over the past few months we have launched a new website, continued to develop our presence on social media via Facebook and Twitter and are currently in the course of implementing a new accounting package – a big leap forward considering that the Trust was keeping its accounts using paper ledgers until 2012.

These things are not the first to spring to mind when people think about Bradgate but technology is now an indispensable part of running a successful public-facing Charity.

On 1st May we were delighted to welcome Sir David Attenborough to the Park as a guest of the Rotary Club of Leicester to help us launch the campaign that the Rotary Club is running to raise funds for our new Visitor Centre. The existing Visitor Centre has changed very little since it opened in 1993 and the time has come to refresh its displays and also to expand the exhibition into the vacant space next door. The content for the enlarged centre is being designed by award-winning Leicestershirebased consultancy Creative Good and will enable the Bradgate story to be told using the latest interactive technology. The whole of the Visitor Centre will in future be on the ground floor and so will be fully accessible. In due course our ambition is to relocate our offices to the first floor space that will be made available and to link the Visitor Centre to the Tearoom, which will be remodelled in order to better cope with the volume of custom that it now receives on busy days.

We are delighted that the Rotary Club of Leicester have adopted the Visitor Centre as their Centenary Project, which further cements the relationship that began when the Club gave Swithland Wood to the Trust in 1931, and we are aiming to have the new Centre open in time for their centenary in 2016.

The highlight of the day for me was being able to show Sir David inside Old John for the first time and he was clearly genuinely delighted as well as being very supportive of the habitat management work that we are carrying out on the Park.

Anyone wishing to support the appeal can send a cheque payable to "Rotary Club of Leicester Trust Fund" c/o Honorary Treasurer, Mr A C Keene, C/O Mutual Clothing & Supply Co Ltd, 39 Bedford Street South, Leicester, LE1 3JN or donate online at

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Bradgate Flower Club

On Wednesday 4 June, Bradgate Flower Club welcomes Roma Berridge from Bingham, Nottinghamshire as the guest demonstrator. Roma's theme is "Hop, Skip and Jump". The meeting at Newtown Linford Village Hall is open to visitors and guests - the entry fee is £5.

Bradgate Flower Club is holding a Pudding Evening on Friday 20th June at the Linford Club, 66 Main St, Newtown Linford, Leicester (LE6 0AD). A Ukulele band will entertain. Puddings are to be donated. The entry fee is £5 per person.

Bradgate Flower Club offers an invitation to visit an NGS garden in North Luffenham on Tuesday 15th July. The



Roberts coach will leave from Newtown Linford Village Hall at 4pm and return for 10pm. A total cost of £24 includes travel, garden entry and a hot and cold buffet at the Wheatsheaf in Edith Weston.

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Deanery Meeting Tuesday 3rd June 7.30pm St Bartholomew's Church Hall Kirby Muxloe

Our Deanery meetings in 2014 are based on the central theme of "Relating To …". The next meeting, 'Relating to People of Other Faiths' has Revd John Hall from the St Philip's Centre as our guest speaker. All Deanery meetings are open, in that everyone is welcome to attend. Please feel free to come and join us for the evening.

Family Services

All Saints Church, Newtown Linford have launched a new monthly family service and would like to invite families (and everyone else) along to join us on the day.

We would like to invite all children (whatever your age 0 -100) to come along with your family to celebrate these special days.



From May the Family Service will be on the second Sunday of each month and we hope to make it a more age appropriate family event.

We are introducing the children's corner where children may go and colour, do puzzles and be more creative. We are also looking at possibly making this a shorter service of 45 minutes or so (instead of the normal hour). It will be followed by coffee, soft drinks and biscuits.

Please come along and join us - you will be most welcome

BRADGATE TEAM SUNDAY SERVICES—June 2014

DATE	GROBY	RATBY	NEWTOWN LINFORD
1st June	8.00am Holy Communion (LC/ KW)	8.00am Holy Communion (PH)	
7th Sunday of Easter	9.30am Family Worship (LC)	10.00am Worship for All (PH)	10.30am Holy Communion (JW)
Environment Sunday	6.30pm Holy Communion (LC)		
8th June			8.00am Holy Communion (PH/ RC)
Pentecost	10.00am CTG Service (LC)	10.00am Holy Communion (FB)	10.30am Family Service (PH)
	6.30pm Evening Prayer (PH/RC)		
15th June	8.00am Holy Communion (PH)		
Trinity Fathers Day	9.30am Morning Worship (LC)	10.00am Family Communion (FB)	10.30am Holy Communion (PH)
T differs Day	6.30pm Holy Communion (LC)	6.00pm Holy Communion (PH)	
22nd June			8.00am Holy Communion (LC/ RC)
1st Sunday after Trinity	9.30am Holy Communion (FB/ KW)	10.00am Holy Communion (LC/ RC)	10.30am Confirmation Bishop Christopher
	6.30pm 4SE		
29th June	8.00am Holy Communion (LC)		8.00am Holy Communion (PH/ RC)
	9.30am Holy Communion (LC)	10.00am Holy Communion (PH/ RC)	10.30am Morning Prayer (KW)
20	6.30pm Evening Prayer (PH)		

MIDWEEK COMMUNION SERVICES—June						
NEWTOWN LINFORD	Thur	10am	5th			
GROBY	Wed	9.30am	4th	11th	18th	25th
RATBY	Thur	9.30am		12th		26th

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As a local resident I know you will be as delighted as we are to be able to describe our School in this way!

We had an Ofsted Inspection right at the beginning of April. In fact the Inspector rang me on 1st of April to make arrangements and he made sure he had waited until after 12 O'clock to ensure I believed him! This was an Inspection the School was more than ready for, and was actually looking forward to! Not something many schools would admit to!

We are proud of the way our School is described in the summary of key findings below and feel it is a true reflection of our School and something we have known for a while.

Summary of key findings for parents and pupils				
This is a good school.				
Pupils make good progress from their different starting points. Progress is rapidly improving, especially in writ- ing and mathematics.	 The Headteacher has led the school extremely effectively throug significant staff turbulence. The improvements made to lead 			
■ Throughout the school, current attainment in reading, writing and mathematics is above that expected for pupils' ages.	ership and pupils' progress since the previous Inspection show the School has an excellent capacity to improve still further.			
The most-able pupils make good progress and disabled pupils and those who have special educational needs are well supported so that their progress is in line with their class-	• The Governing Body provides a good level of challenge and support for the School. They are active in promoting the School's place at the centre of the local community.			
 mates. Pupils' outstanding behaviour leads to very positive attitudes to learning which have led to good progress. 23 . 	 All staff in the School share a clear commitment to raising standards and improving teaching and learning. Parents are very happy at how well the School keeps pupils safe 			

One of the statements we are most proud of is underlined above. This shows how close we were to achieving an Outstanding status and is where we as a team are determined to be as soon as possible.

Whilst we may only be a small team, we are very dedicated and hardworking and incredibly proud of the com-

ments made about our teaching.

- Teaching is good and has a positive impact on pupils' learning and progress.
- Teachers create the conditions for very positive and purposeful learning in classrooms. A large part of this is based on the School's core values of achieving, being thoughtful, being confident and working as part of a team. All members of the School community are aware of, and able to talk about, how these improve the conditions for effective learning. Pupils talk positively about how they enjoy lessons and how the teachers help them learn new things.
- Teachers provide pupils with some very effective homework tasks covering a wide range of topics and from which pupils are able to take significant responsibility for their own learning.

The **behaviour and safety of pupils** is described as **outstanding**! It is very unusual to gain outstanding in any area alone and so we were delighted to do so.

• The behaviour of pupils is outstanding. Pupils have exemplary attitudes towards their learning in lessons and talk enthusiastically





about how much they enjoy coming to school and learning new things.

- In lessons observed, pupils were very well behaved and often deeply engaged in their work. All of the parents who responded to the online questionnaire agreed that pupils were well behaved.
- When they start School, children quickly gain an interest in learning and a thirst for knowledge.
- Older pupils are polite, friendly and happy to talk about their work and school life. They spoke about particular things they enjoy, such as sports and a visit to a local university.
- The quality of presentation of pupils' work is high throughout the School and shows the pride that pupils take in their efforts.
- The School's work to keep pupils safe and secure is outstanding. All of the parents who responded to the questionnaire are very positive about how happy and safe their children are at school. Pupils say there is no bullying
- Attendance figures are above average and improving. This is the result of excellent tracking of attendance patterns by the head-teacher

The **leadership and management** of the School, describes the work of the Headteacher, Middle Managers within School and the Governing Body. This is once again described as good and shows the team work that is at the heart of everything we do.

- Leadership and management are good because the Headteacher has ensured that all staff and the Governing Body have a clear ambition to do the best they can for the pupils at the School. The impact of their resolution is evident in pupils' rapidly improving progress and a good quality of teaching across the School.
- The Headteacher has provided outstanding leadership during her short time at the School. She has introduced a number of innovative improvements to the School such as the 'curriculum drivers' that underpin teachers' planning. These focus on outdoor learning, ambition, community and spiritual, moral and cultural aspects of learning. Governors, pupils and parents talk very positively about how the School has improved under her leadership.
- The School is continually seeking to improve the effectiveness of teaching. Training has been effectively used, for example, to improve teachers' use of a mathematics resource.
- Aspects of the School's work are now being used as good examples by other Schools. For example, one recent visit was from a School
- ²⁵ that wanted to observe the way the Early Years Foundation Stage

was integrated into the Year 1 class and how the staff used the outdoor area.

The Governing Body provides a good level of support and challenge. Governors have developed the way they monitor data to check pupils' progress, and the Headteacher provides them with very detailed information about achievement. Governors check on the School's work through a range of visits, meetings with staff, regular meetings with the Headteacher and detailed reports from the School.

I have now been Headteacher at Newtown Linford Primary School for two years and I am proud of the journey we have undertaken in that time. I am also passionate about being part of the future for our School and am looking forward to being able to write a piece describing us as an outstanding school!

Whilst an Ofsted grading is obviously an important aspect in how we are judged as a School, far more important to me is the happiness and enthusiasm of the children who attend our School, alongside the exciting opportunities we can also provide them with which help increase their confidence levels. I believe children leave Newtown Linford Primary School having developed a 'can do' attitude and of that I am really proud.



Mrs C Chorlton Headteacher



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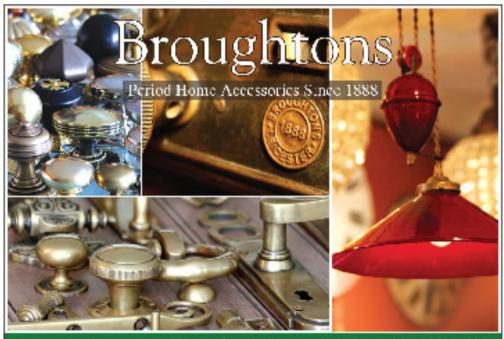
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Engagement Charlotte Turner and Nathan Jackson

Congratulations to Charlotte Turner and Nathan Jackson who were engaged to be married on the 19th April 2014. The happy event took place at Charlotte's favourite holiday spot, Bleggberry Farm in North Devon. A romantic occasion, sun setting, overlooking the sea. After living in the Village since the age of two, and following Nathans parents move to the Village a year ago, Charlotte and Nathan have now settled into their first home in Anstey.

Both families and friends give their love and very best wishes to Charlotte and Nathan for their future together.

We also congratulate Charlotte on her new Maths teaching position at Groby Community College starting in September 2014. Having spent two years at John Cleveland College teaching maths, Charlotte is looking forward to going back to the School where she has so many fond memories as a pupil.



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Terry Cook

Terry Cook, passed away on 9th May 2014 age 41.

He was born in Wellington, New Zealand in 1973 but moved to Grey Crescent, Newtown Linford as a young boy and lived there until the age of 22.

Terry met his wife Nikki from Syston in 1993. They married at Rothley Court in 2006

Terry was extremely fit and a keen sportsman. He trained with the British Military Fitness Association and enjoyed football, cricket and cycling. One of his neighbours from Grey Crescent remembers with fondness the many hours he spent with her son playing football at the play park as a child.

Terry was diagnosed with Motor Neurone Disease in



Picture above is of Terry on his wedding day

2011, which is a difficult condition to diagnose. He and his wife Nikki (a teacher) did much to raise awareness about MND, speaking about it to the Leicester Mercury and The Mirror.

Their twin daughters, Georgia and Harriet were born in February 2013. The Motor Neurone Disease Association believe Terry was the first patient living with MND to become a father.

Terry was a director of the family business with father Bill and brother Darren.

Terry's funeral was held at Gilroes Crematorium on 20^{th} May and attended by over 300 people.

From the Records Don't Forget the Planning Permission

It is only when one looks through the Village Record Books that one is reminded of lots of things that have happened through the years which we have forgotten.

The recent felling of the trees on Sharpley Hill brought lots of phone calls to our Parish Clerk. "What is someone doing?" I cannot remember when they were planted and I think they were part of a scheme for "Cash Planting". It is now the time to harvest them. I think we shall find there will be replanting in the near future.

In 1984, the Grey Lady Restaurant put in plans to extend the restaurant. It was turned down by Charnwood because there was a need to protect the trees in Sandhills Wood. It went to a Public Inquiry when experts from Charnwood and Pleci-Spark the owners clashed. Charnwood Forestry Expert Nicholas Fell thought the foundations would damage the roots and disturb others which would lead to the death of some trees. He also believed that the climate round the new building would be affected by reflected heat. There could also be wind disturbance. Mr Dennis Helliwell, the Forestry and Landscape expert for the owners said there would not be any substantial root damage.

The Area Planning Officer gave evidence about the County Structure Plan which seeks to protect Charnwood Forest especially the area round Bradgate Park from all but essential development. The Inspector closed the inquiry and visited the site. No record of the outcome.

At the same time an interesting case was brought in relation to a tenant farmer inadvertently breaching the regulations relating to sites of Special Scientific Interest by spreading lime without prior notification being given to the Nature Conservancy Council.

A bird watcher had seen lime being spread on the site of Special Scientific Interest where 200 plants, some rare to Leicestershire could be found. Some of the lime could also have affected the breeding of Snipe. The SSI area covers wet land, heath and grassland habitats.

Unbeknown to the landowner, the tenant farmer had spread lime for the last three years, a common agricultural practice and they had not found any proof of damage to plants and the breeding of Snipe. They should have notified the Nature Conservancy Council at least three months before starting the spreading of lime. The landowner was fined £200 for permitting the liming to be carried out on a protected conservation site

32 without informing the Nature Conservancy Council





Here is a quick resume of items that I have already circulated to those on email.

- 1. Apparently there are more ticks than normal in the park. These attach themselves to your dog or cat, fill themselves with blood, drop off then climb back up another animal. They usually attach themselves round the neck so regularly examine your animals. They carry Lyme's decease.
- 2. Several residents have identified the same person as the owner of the dog responsible for the mess near the Bob Bown Playing Fields. Once one of them has made a statement then the Council can issue a fixed penalty ticket. Thanks to Councillor David Snartt, the Street Scene Manager from Charnwood Borough Council is arranging for the Street Wardens to cleanse the area. My thanks on your behalf go to Glenis Meredith and Richard Harrison who I believe have both cleared up the mess.
- 3. The Shar Pei dog that has been wandering without it's owner seems to be under control at the moment. If it is seen again, the Dog Warden will remove it.
- 4. A vehicle was stolen from premises in Markfield Lane.
- 5. A car was damaged in Groby Lane
- 6. A mobile phone was stolen in the park.
- 7. Parents taking and collecting children from School are again parking dangerously in some cases right across the pavement to the hedge at the end of Grey Crescent. This route is used by at least one mobility scooter as well as pushchairs. One Grey Crescent resident was nearly cleaned up by a car coming round the corner on the wrong side of the road to park on the pavement.
- 8. Several residents have received telephone calls telling them their computer is showing a fault and would they give details so it can be rectified electronically.
- 9. A very elderly cat that does not usually leave the garden is missing from Main Street opposite the Johnscliffe complex. It is grey tabby and has some shaven fur from a vet's visit. She is quite poorly and needs finding.

10.At the back of the houses on Grey Crescent there is at least one ad-³³der. As it is now the mating season for snakes, I think we need to warn the dog walkers who pass along the permissive path in the fields behind Grey Crescent. The adder I saw disappeared into the paddock /garden behind 23 Grey Crescent.

I would advise to keep dogs on a lead. Adders are not dangerous unless disturbed. They need to be treated with respect. They are the only venomous snake in the U.K. If the puncture wound becomes infected it can be a serious problem. The male after shedding its coat can be mistaken for a grass snake.

The Forestry Commission website has useful information. If you want to read more.<u>http://www.forestry.gov.uk/</u> forestry/adder

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I am just printing two Welcome Packs - please remember to let me know if you have a new neighbour so I can let them have one.

We were pleased to see P.C.S.O. Steve Quinn at the Parish Council Meeting last night especially since he had worked a full shift and come in his own time.

Pam McMorran, NHW Coordinator –

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Illegal Parking near School

As some of you are aware we have been noting the numbers of illegally parked cars and with the support of Mrs. Chorlton have been passing these to our Police Beat Team. They have replied as follows. They have been telling us for some time now that due to lack of resources the beat team cannot come out on spec and we must have everything recorded by ringing 101 because not only can they send the nearest vehicle they will have a record showing the true picture of things.

Below is an example of parking on the morning of the 23rd May, not only

are the cars parked illegally but the children are being taken out onto the road at the junction rather than onto the pavement.

The police were notified.



NEWTOWN LINFORD PARISH COUNCIL

On Monday 12th May 2014 we had two meetings on the same evening: The Annual Meeting of the Parish, and the Annual Parish Council Meeting.

In the first one the Chairman gives an overview of the Council's activities over the past year. This is followed by a report from the Police. This year we were very pleased to welcome Police Community Support Officer Steve Quinn. Next came a very welcome, detailed and indeed uplifting report from the Headteacher of the Newtown Linford Primary School, Mrs. Chris Chorlton. It is wonderful to hear that the children are making such splendid progress in a happy and nurturing environment. Mrs. Chorlton was accompanied by Mrs. Betty Blythe, the Chairperson of the Governors, who, as I know from personal experience, plays an important part in the life of a School. Mr. Michael Upstone, retired Chairman of the Village Hall reported on the events over the year in the Village Hall, and also the improvements made to the Hall over the last 12 months. The Chairman thanked Mr. Upstone again for his dedication and commitment to all matters related to the Hall.

My own report as Clerk, Registrar of Burials and Responsible Financial Officer followed. This covers (briefly I hasten to add) all the work I do. I listed graves and ashes plots sold, interments in both graves and ashes plots, fees for interments, permissions and fees for monuments. Thanks to careful budgeting, the Parish Council has for the 8th year been able to keep the Precept at £38,000, and carry forward a healthy balance. A substantial amount of this will be swallowed up by the forthcoming extension to the cemetery on Groby Lane. Grants will be applied for. The

2013/2014 Accounts which are produced by me as Responsible Financial Officer are the last item in this meeting. The Chairman takes this opportunity to thank his Vice-Chairman, the other Parish Councillors, the Clerk



and particularly Mr. David Snartt, our Borough and County Councillor for his steadfast support, co-operation and excellent advice.

The Annual Parish Council Meeting followed immediately. This sees the Election of a Chairman and Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year. I am pleased to say that Mr. Ken Waterfall was nominated, seconded and unanimously elected Chairman; Mrs. Janet Neaverson, nominated by the Chairman was also unanimously elected Vice-Chairman. The Chairman then signed the 'Declaration of Acceptance of Office'. That completed the formal part of this meeting, which took the form of an Ordinary meeting after that. As you know, all minutes of meetings can be seen at the Village Store, at my house and on our website. Here is a list of Newtown Linford Parish Councillors: Mr. Philip Baker; Mrs. Claire Costello, Mrs. Pam McMorran; Dr. Richard Lowe; Mrs. Janet Neaverson; Mrs. Sue Pritchard and Mr. Ken Waterfall.

The next Parish Council meeting is on Monday 23rd June 2014 at 7 pm in the Small Hall of the Village Hall. Visitors are always welcome.

Lydia Knott Clerk to the Council

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They're Back! Those wonderful Church Bulletins! Thank God for the church ladies with typewriters. These sentences actually appeared in Church Bulletins or were announced at Church Services:

The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.

Scouts are saving aluminium cans, bottles and other items to be recycled. Proceeds will be used to cripple children.

The sermon this morning: 'Jesus Walks on the Water.' The sermon tonight: 'Searching for Jesus.'

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.

Miss Charlene Mason sang 'I will not pass this way again,' giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.



Contributions to Village Magazine

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