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UP FRONT WITH.....

Long Preston Methodist Church

As I write to you we are just approaching Shrove Tuesday and the thought of pancakes, but by the time you read this you will have probably eaten your way through a stack of pancakes with various toppings – sugar, lemon, maple syrup to name but a few. As you read this we find ourselves in the period of Lent, a time typically associated with giving things up in the period before Easter.

I wonder though if you haven't felt like giving things up this year when we have had to make so many sacrifices over the past year because of the pandemic. Things that we took for granted before March last year such as meeting friends and family, going on holiday, or even just browsing in shops are all things we've had to temporarily give up in the combined effort to tackle Covid-19. Why would you want to give up anything else, such as chocolate, cake or coffee for Lent as you may have done in the past?

In this time of Lent, how about taking something on instead? It may be making time for yourself each day to go for a walk, read a few pages of a book or spend time enjoying your hobby. Making time for these things is just as important for our well-being and can easily be neglected when there may be other things that demand our time and attention. We read in the Gospels in the Bible that Jesus was often busy teaching and healing, but that he also took time to rest. This is a good example for us to follow.

May you all find space each day to pause and rest, and looking ahead may you all know the joy of the Risen Christ this Easter.

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We have had 8 reports to police from 15.01.21 to 13.02.21

23.01.21 – Concern for safety – In order Ambulance dealt

26.01.21 – Covid19 – gathering

27.01.21 – Suspect/Anti Social Behaviour nuisance

28.01.21 – Anti Social Behaviour Nuisance

03.02.21 - Concern for safety – checked in order

06.02.21 - Suspect vehicle/persons – around village - area searched no gain

07.02.21 - Road Related offence – manner of driving – A65 - area searched no gain

07.02.21 –Anti Social Behaviour Personal

Officers are conducting regular Covid19 patrols in the area

Crime Prevention - Protect your home, leave a light on

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- keep valuable items out of view
- keep gates well secured
- Light up, Lock up

Front cover picture : Daffodils in bloom

Courtesy of Elizabeth Robertshaw

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MONTHLY GARDEN FEATURE

Looking back at the garden feature in last March's magazine I was faced with a list of jobs. This year I no longer think of gardening in terms of chores, I can't wait to get out there sorting and planting. The garden has provided me with purpose, employment and some produce at a time when these have been very important. The joy I obtained from growing tomatoes was increased by an online competition, for the best tomatoes, with my family. I lost, but I did make a large quantity of green tomato chutney!

So, things to do in March:

1. Place pots of spring flowers in prominent places, to give you a mental lift and put a "spring" in your step. For early flowering choose plants like wallflower, grape hyacinth, primula, heather, bellis, crocus, skimmia and of course early daffodils such as Jetfire, Tête-à-tête or Rip Van Winkle.

2. Plant seeds in the greenhouse or under cover, such as Brussel sprouts, cauliflower, leeks, carrots, peas, broad beans, spinach and perennial herbs. Don't forget flower seeds such as lupin and achillea. These can be thinned out and planted outside later in the year.

3. Hardy annuals such as sweet peas, poppies and cornflowers can be sown directly outside.

4. This is the time of year to split and move snowdrops while they are still "in the green". The energy in the leaves will then be absorbed back into the bulbs.

5. Some pruning can be done in March.

Hardy Fuchsia - cut back to soil level.

Hydrangea- shorten strong shoots to a low pair of buds.

Cornus - cut all last year's stems back hard to promote new growth.

Also prune Mahonia Charity, shrub roses, summer flowering clematis and buddleia.

6. Overgrown clumps of perennials can be divided.

7. Top dress containers with fresh compost and feed borders and trees.

8. Hoe and mulch weeds to keep them under control.

9. If a frost is expected, protect early blooms and delicate new growth.

Be A Garden Maker wishes you good health and happy gardening. The garden centre is planning to open 12th March and offering local deliveries of plants, compost, chemicals, and all our gardening products. We will have takeaway drinks and food too.

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Long Preston Playgroup and Pre-school

Annual charity



Easter Egg Hunt & Raffle 2021

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LONG PRESTON PLAYGROUP AND PRE-SCHOOL

Long Preston Playgroup & Preschool Easter Egg Hunt & raffle 2021

After having to sadly cancel last year's event due to Covid, we are pleased to say that Long Preston Playgroup & Preschool's annual Easter fundraiser is back this Easter weekend 2nd to 5th April. Trail packs can be purchased for £3 ahead of the weekend either by emailing longprestonplaygroup@hotmail.co.uk or by requesting one via our Facebook page. The trail will be laid around the village over the weekend and there will be prizes on offer for winning entries! As we can't do our usual event at the village hall, it will be a little different this year with an exciting raffle. Keep an eye out on our Facebook page for prizes and details of how to buy tickets.

Long Preston Playgroup & Preschool Bloom and Grow Festival 2021

A celebration of all things green in Long Preston! Open to everyone! We are encouraging as many people as possible to get involved, green fingered or not! More details to follow in the next edition and on our Facebook page, keep your eyes peeled! Competition entry forms will be available shortly.

Let's celebrate our blooming lovely village!

LONG PRESTON MAY DAY COMMITTEE

It is with great sadness Long Preston May Day Committee have had to make the decision to postpone May Day again this year. It was such a shame we weren't able to celebrate the big 50th last year, especially after the fantastic fundraising from the Gala ball and quiz night.

We hope we may be able to plan something for the whole village to enjoy in the late summer.

We will keep you all updated as plans progress.

In the meantime, as the vaccinations are rolled out, let's hope we can all get back to some normality soon.

Stay safe and well.

Michelle

THE RAMBLINGS OF COLONEL CURMUDGEONLY-SAGE (RETIRED)

Another week goes by and not a lot changes the Epidemic figures are not improving at a rapid rate as I write my copy, but we are encouraged to think that this situation will improve by the time this issue of the Parimag goes to press and pops through your letterbox. Encouragingly the mass vaccination goes on at a pace, taking my memories back to the days of the mass jabs against Polio and Smallpox back in my youth. I seem to be doing a lot of reflecting back of late....it's far more productive than staring at the Goggle Box in the corner of the room where back to back repeats of Vera and Birds of a Feather are wearing a bit thin on this old bird (to say the least!) Mental note to self, to come up with a Baldric styled 'cunning plan' to seize control of the remote controller from the grasp of Mrs C-S... we call it a 'Gismo' in our house, I'm sure you have your own name for it in your midding.

Casting my mind back along memories golden track recently, I got to thinking about the games we used to play as kids after the Second World War, there were lots of demolition sites up and down many towns and these were the playground of hordes of kids until the Bobbies came to chase you off. I remember being caught by PC Brown one day, leaving the cellar of a set of terraced homes that were to be demolished. He grabbed me by the collar and marched me home...it was about my third offence of this crime and so his goodwill and my fair warnings had well and truly run out. He was reasonably pleasant about it to my father who was not in a good mood as the knock on the door had woken him up after he had just returned from a night shift at the wool mill he worked at. He gave me a clip behind the ear and sent me off to my room...turns out, he was more angry about me getting caught than being in danger in a cellar below a condemned house!

Another memory was of the games and activities we played as kids in the streets, farmer's fields and woods surrounding our 'Airey' housing estate. I remember gatherings under the only Gaslamp in the street to extend the time we could stay out of the house...the bigger lads and lasses would come along as it got darker and chase us off so they could take over control of the light below the lamp...their Woodbines would soon come out and they would laugh and clown about getting louder and dafter in equal measure, until a nearby neighbour would eventually get fed-up of the noise and shout out to them to 'clear off' or 'sling their hook'..... or the ultimate sanction, that she would 'take her sweeping brush to them!'...and they generally did as requested without a load of cheek that you might get in return in these modern times.

I loved building dens in the woods alongside my pals, and hanging rope swings from tall sycamores and horse chestnuts across the beck and streams that ran through the woods. In the height of summer a small gang of us were occasionally allowed to sleep out in the den provided we were back first thing in the morning for breakfast ..things seemed safer back then .I don't suppose they were, more a case of too much media coverage nowadays spouting doom and gloom and fake news.

Our street games were epic, with 20 a-side football matches with coats in piles as goalposts, there was very little traffic about back then and few recreation spaces, so the street was our blank canvas for whatever we wanted it to be: a race track, a cricket pitch, a 'bulldogs' arena or stadium for our made up games....you name it we played it. Each game had its own colloquial name and strict, unwritten rules that must be adhered to or the offender would be expelled from playing the game! I remember particularly, 'Kick can and hook it' (a form of hide and seek where one member of the pack would kick a tin can as far as they could from within a chalk circle and then run away from the catcher to hide), 'Finger, Thumb or Dumb' (a game where one team would make a long line of backs and the other team would jump on, one at a time whilst trying to make it collapse) and 'Piggy' (a form of Knurr and Spell where you would hit a small piece of wood as far as you could with a longer, stout stick and then count the number of strides to it to accumulate a score.)

Children back then used their imaginations to invent activities, whereas today they have everything on tap and hi tech resources at their fingertips ...with, of course, the obligatory raft of 'risk assessments' to hopefully keep them safe.

So that's me for another month, let's all make a renewed effort to stay positive and see what March brings as the world fights to get back greater control of its own destiny..... As for me I'm heading down to my 'Man Shed' to break up the old pram we have kept for who knows what reason.... add a few planks of wood, some nails, a nut and bolt steering bar and a piece of rope to drag it up hills will do the trick, and magically I will be transported back to my youth, the time of Billy Casper, collecting tadpoles, newting, birds egg collecting..... and Bogey racing down the spoil-heap cut on our home made carts, on which you had to paint a name for identification ...my finest effort was called Drednought which at the time was pretty cool as she could smash into opponents and put them out of the race for good! Happy, carefree days...that I am sure will someday return to bring a smile back to our faces and renewed optimism for the years to come.

Whatever you do over the coming weeks, above all, enjoy your rambling...as you can tell, I always do!

Chow for now,
the Colonel.

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If you would like details for any of these, please contact Janet, on 840709, or Andrew on 840154

If things change and we are able to open in the meantime, plans are in place for our normal Sunday services; check with the wardens or on the church and Post Office notice boards.

- Mar 7th Holy Communion Canon Graham Bettridge
Mar 14th Morning Worship Philip Johnston
(Mothering Sunday)
Mar 21st Informal Worship Janet Wood
Mar 28th Morning Worship Canon Ian Greenhalgh
(Palm Sunday)
Followed by APCM; all welcome
April 4th Holy Communion Canon Graham Bettridge
(Easter Sunday)

If we are able to do something on Good Friday it will be at the Methodist Chapel, we have permission to site the Cross on the Maypole Green, where many more people will see it. Do go along, in your own time, to spend a few minutes there!

CRAVEN HERALD CORRESPONDENT

Tracey Lambert has taken on the role of Craven Herald correspondent for Long Preston.

Her contact email is traceylambert@btconnect.com

Can you email her any articles to go into the Craven Herald by no later than Friday prior to following Thursday publication.

LONG PRESTON HELPING HANDS



Long Preston Helping Hands
Community Group



Strong & Steady - run by Jill Eccleston (qualified instructor)

Supported by Long Preston Parish Council & Age UK Settle



Wow!! Look at what we can do! Those attending are really noticing the benefit to their well being, mobility and movement.

This has been a huge success and Jill has provided us with many useful suggestions and ideas as to how to 'keep moving' and remain independent in our own homes. Jill has also provided us with a book of easy exercises & tips which we can use at home.

The next sessions are due to begin on Tuesdays
(as soon as we are allowed)

in Long Preston Methodist Church at 1.30pm - 2.30pm.

It will cost £4 per session. (Due to obtaining a grant)

Places will be limited due to social distancing rules.

Come on give it a go? We've all been stuck at home, so light and gentle exercises will be of great benefit to many of us to help us become more mobile and gain greater independence.

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LONG PRESTON METHODIST CHURCH

Long Preston Methodist Church March Services 2021



There are currently no services at Long Preston Methodist Church whilst we are in lockdown. We will review this as the situation changes. With this in mind here are the provisional list of Services for March and Easter. Worship will hopefully be able to resume in March at the usual time of 10.30am

There is to be both Ministers and the occasional live stream from St Andrew's Church, Skipton at 10.30am
Please don't forget to wear your face mask during the Services.
Everyone is most welcome!!

Preachers:-

- 7th March :- Mrs Jane Jolly (Sacrament)
- 14th March :- Mrs Glennis Hobbs Mothering Sunday
- 21st March :- live stream from St Andrew's
- 28th March :- Rev Andrew Webb

On Friday 2nd April we will have our annual Good Friday Reflection & Walk and this is a joint Service with St Mary's Church beginning at 2pm. Preacher Rev Dr Tracey Darling. Followed by walking with the Cross and then hot cross buns etc... at the Methodist Chapel.

Easter Sunday 4th April at 11am Preacher Dr Tracey Darling. (Sacrament)

In the meantime if you require any help or support in any matter, someone to chat to or help in any way please do not hesitate to contact me.

Revd Dr Tracey Darling on 01756 752607 or tracey.darling@methodist.org.uk

New Activities in Long Preston Methodist Church



If you go to Primary School then this is for you!!
Come and try a variety of free activities during the Easter Holidays.

Tuesday March 30th & April 6th 10am - 12pm

Ring Annette on 840096 to book your places.

All Adults hold current DBS's.

Places are limited to 12 per session.
(subject to covid restrictions being lifted)



**Long Preston Village Annual Good Friday
Carrying of the Cross to The Maypole Green**



**Friday 2nd April 2021 2pm – Methodist Chapel
Short 30mins - Reflection of Jesus' Life
Preacher :- Rev Dr Tracey Darling
Followed by walk to the Maypole Green,
villagers, friends, families, friendly dogs and their owners
are most welcome to join us too!**

**Please meet in the Chapel car park at 2.40pm
Everyone most welcome!**

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then Hot Cross Buns/ Chocolate Crispies & Coffee
(in the car park if necessary!!!)**

Easter Sunday Methodist Chapel Service

Sunday 4th April 2021

11am – 11.45am

Preacher :- Rev Dr Tracey Darling

Followed by Refreshments & an Easter Egg Hunt

All are welcome!



**All subject to current restrictions being lifted.
Please check with notice boards for latest information**

HERITAGE GROUP ARCHIVE

DOROTHY MAY WILSON



This photograph of Main Street was taken around 1904 – there appears to be snow on the road.

The Boar's Head is on the right and on the same side in the distance at the Wigglesworth road junction is the large window of C. Popay's greengrocers shop.

The postman, B Witton, is standing in the road with Bobby Stork right in the middle of the road behind him.

The hut on the left with the double window is Tommy Thompson's cobbler's shed, replaced now with a domestic garage.

Tommy and his shed are mentioned in Irene Constantine's poem published in the October 2020 issue of the village magazine: *"My feet were looked after by old and young Fred. Tommy Thompson cobbled in a shed"*.

Fred Stork, also a cobbler lived and had his shop in the house on the right immediately after the Boar's Head. The cyclist is Dorothy Wilson with Tommy Thompson holding the bicycle.

Dorothy was daughter of George Wilson the blacksmith and had two siblings, Harry who also became a blacksmith and Catherine. The family lived at Anvil House, also the smithy. Dorothy's younger sister Catherine married Arthur Carr and they had one child, George. There is little information in the archive about Dorothy Wilson, but George Carr's oral history gives us more detail about his Auntie Dorothy.



Dorothy was a talented musician. She married Fred Lord who was a musician and a composer. In 1923, just a year before George Carr was born, Dorothy went to live in Canada. In George's own words, "She had taught music from the age of 14, lived to be 88 and was teaching violin and singing all that time right up to when she died. That was in Canada, but she used to do a lot of plays in Long Preston and she had a lot of students for violin."

The photograph above from 'Old Yorkshire in Pictures 1970,' shows the Wilson family orchestra at a Craven garden party circa 1905. All members of the orchestra were related and used to cycle to playing engagements or go by cab. They were very popular.

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Above left is Dorothy Wilson on a decorated bike in the garden of Anvil House.

On the right are the competitors in the decorated bike competition held on 'The Concrete' in the 1890's, with Dorothy's sister Catherine in the centre at the front, dressed as Little Red Riding Hood.

Dorothy's hat and those worn by the ladies of the Wilson family orchestra are almost certain to have been made by Dorothy's mother, who was a milliner.

This gives only a brief account of Dorothy Wilson and nothing of her husband Fred. As musicians, they must have been well known in the local area, so if anyone can add any further information, it would be a welcome addition to the Long Preston archive. What is known about Fred Lord? Were Fred and Dorothy involved with Settle's String Band conducted by Dr Buck, a Settle doctor mentioned in David Johnson's recently published book about Settle? Dr Buck retired in 1916 and Dorothy, presumably with Fred, emigrated to Canada in 1923, so participation in the Settle String Band would have been possible.

If you can add anything to this story, please contact Sheila Goodall on 01729 840697 or email secretary@longprestonheritage.org.uk

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DISTRICT COUNCILLOR CHRIS MOORBY

Hello to you,

I hope you are all keeping well and safe in these difficult times, who would have thought we would be in this position at this time last year.

I hope that you all had as good a Christmas and New Year even with all the restrictions in place.

I am sorry to say that I lost a good friend and fellow councillor, Richard Welch, a few weeks ago. He was the same age as me and although he went to Giggleswick Grammar School and I went to Settle High we were still very good friends and he helped me out with advice on council matters on many an occasion. I will miss him. My heart goes out to his wife and family.

Devolution

Public urged to have their say in Government consultation on the future of local government in North Yorkshire and York

Residents, businesses and organisations are being encouraged to have their say in a Government consultation on the future of local government in North Yorkshire and York.

Last summer, the Government made it clear to local councils in North Yorkshire and York that they wished to see local government reorganised to form one-tier, unitary authorities.

The Government will shortly announce it will launch a consultation on proposals that have been put forward.

The six district and borough councils of Craven, Harrogate, Richmondshire, Ryedale, Scarborough and Selby have joined together to propose a balanced, East & West model of local government.

The model would see Craven, Harrogate, Richmondshire and Hambleton join together to form a unitary council in the West, with a population of 363,000, and Selby, City of York, Ryedale and Scarborough join together to form a unitary council in the East, with a population of 465,000.

North Yorkshire County Council has submitted a different proposal, which would form one council across the whole of North Yorkshire, with a population of 618,000, leaving York as a separate, small unitary authority with just 211,000 residents.

Whilst a formal decision has yet to be announced, the Government has indicated that it is likely to consult on both proposals.

Councillor Richard Foster, Leader of Craven District Council, speaking on behalf of the Council Leaders, said: "We encourage everyone across North

Yorkshire and York to make sure they are informed about these proposals and have their say.

“We believe our East & West model is the best option for residents, businesses and communities. It will provide two balanced unitary authorities, large enough to make savings and operate strategically, but small enough to understand the needs of our people, places and communities.

“Our East & West model will help drive recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic and build a better economic future for the whole area.

“Over the last year more than ever, district and borough councils have proven the value of local knowledge. Across our six authorities, we have paid out more than 20,000 Covid-19 business grants, totalling over £200 million – we have been able to do this fairly and at speed, due to our understanding of our local economies.

“When our communities have been hit by other crises such as flooding, our local intelligence has enabled us to act fast to protect lives and properties.

“We know many of our residents and businesses don’t like the idea of the ‘mega-council’ that North Yorkshire County Council is proposing. They are worried about losing those local connections with their councils. That’s why we have drawn up the East & West model.

“The Government has assured us that responses to this consultation from any interested persons, including residents, town and parish councillors and local businesses are welcome – so please, make sure you have your say when the consultation launches.”

For more information about the East & West bid go to
www.getchangeright.com

Licencing

I sit on the Licencing Committee at CDC and as you may be aware from the press all Taxi’s and Private Hire Vehicles will be fitted with CCTV from the 1st April. This will make the public and the drivers feel safer if there are any disputes etc. It will all be caught on the CCTV system, which can only be downloaded by certain people to protect people regarding data protection. This has been held back because of the covid pandemic and we didn’t want to burden the operators with extra financial burdens, but we have decided that now is the time to move forward.

I get updates and news from The Institute of Licencing and have noticed that quite a number of premises have had their licences revoked due to covid restrictions being broken. This is very serious and is life threatening, I really think that a great many people think that they are immune to this infection, they should think again as it can strike anyone. The Country pulled together in the last war and on other numerous occasions, lets do it again and look after each other.

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The Flashes

I sit on the working group for the Flashes and we will be having a meeting this month to discuss any issues!

I attended a Yorkshire Dales National Park forum the other week where protecting wildlife and our environment was discussed. Because the Flashes are not in the National Park I did not raise any of my concerns, but I did note that there was plenty said about how a group was working to save the wildlife at Long Preston Wetlands next to the River Ribble. Why hasn't someone put as much enthusiasm and vigour into saving the wildlife at the Flashes? The birds migrate to and fro between these pieces of land. We have organisations and bodies like the Environment agency and Natural England but they do not seem interested in lifting a finger to help.

Parish Council

As I sit on the interim Parish Council I thought I would give a report.

As the mower was stolen last year we decided that it should be replaced as the mower that we have is too small to do the job required, it has to mow the playing field as well as the village greens. We got prices of used machines as well as new. It was thought after discussion that it would be better for the village to have a new machine with a five year warranty and service contract as if we purchased used we could be buying other peoples problems and we could be paying for expensive repairs from the off.

It has also been decided to replace the storage shed at the playing field with a refurbished steel container. We are having to apply for planning permission from Yorkshire Dales National Park to carry out this project. The shed needs replacing as it is coming to the end of its days.

Speeding traffic

Quite a number of people have spoken to me about their concerns about speeding traffic through the village. Anyone who knows me will be aware that I have had concerns for years and was involved in getting the pedestrian crossing installed, even though the authorities tried all in their powers to stop the installation saying it would not be safe. I'm sure that it is safer than trying to run the gauntlet without one. I was also involved in getting a **minimal** amount of traffic calming on the main road. I am on the Select Committee at CDC, we overlook crime and disorder and meet with the police every six months to discuss this type of issue, I have constantly asked that the camera van be at Long Preston more often and the Inspector agreed. I have noticed that it is now there more often. When the speed camera van is there it quite noticeable the reduction in speed of the vehicles.

We are in dialogue with other Parish Councils about purchasing a number of the speed activated signs that can be moved about, then people don't get used to them being in one position and consequently ignore them. When I had my wagon and was travelling over the North of England I found that these really make you look at the speedometer to check your speed. This is early days but

we would like to see something in place by the Summer.

I have recently spoken to a reporter from Yorkshire Live who is putting together an article about the A682 (the most dangerous road in England). I have told him of my concerns about the stretch that is in Yorkshire and told him that North Yorkshire County Council allocated £615,000 from a government grant of £11.5 million to carry out safety improvements on this stretch of road, as far as I am aware the only works that have so far been carried out is the installation of Armco barriers just past the Halton West junction. As I have stated previously, I have travelled all over the North of England and from what I have seen NYCC are abysmal in putting safety measures, speed limits and the like, in place. On the A682 which goes over to Nelson Lancashire County Council have installed average speed cameras and from the section from the Yorkshire border to Gisburn have put in place a 50mph limit, both these actions have reduced the number of accidents. Why can't NYCC do the same?

If you would like to contact the reporter for Yorkshire Live his contact details are as follows.

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Parked cars

A number of residents have contacted me regarding cars parked on pavements and in bus pull ins. Could I please ask that car owners please make sure that it is safe for people to get past these vehicles and that it is safe for them to get on and off the buses.

Dog poo

There is still a great amount of dog poo not being picked up and it has been noticed that people are picking up and then leaving the poo bags on walls and on seats. I would like to remind people that there is no such thing as a "Poo Bag Fairy" and please put in the bins provided or take home for disposal.

I think that will do for now, but I would just like to think back to my childhood as I was speaking to one of my friends that I grew up with about the recent freezing conditions. We got to talking about the winter of 1963 and what we got up to. In our day we used the field behind the Church that we called the Copy for sledging, the other field we used is the field between the beck and the Gisburn Road near the Almshouses, this we called the Yorkshire Bumps. We had great times, although dangerous in some respects. In the Copy we had a run that in '63 was virtually shot ice and we could go down the hill and through the little gate at the bottom and drop 'onto' the beck, it was frozen solid that year. We used to couple the sledges together and form a wagon train, but they all seemed to go just where they wanted and we would end up in a heap, laughing. Happy days.

All the best for now

Chris Moorby

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EASTER FUN QUIZ

How good is your General Knowledge?

1. On average, how many Easter Eggs do children receive each year?
a) 8 b) 12 c) 4 d) 1
2. Why are there 11 balls of marzipan on a traditional simnel cake?
a) They represent a baker's dozen
b) They represent Jesus and the apostles (minus Judas)
c) Good Friday originally fell on 11th March
d) Easter lunches were originally for 10 people and the 11th slice is considered to be a holy offering
3. Which of these ingredients is not traditionally in hot cross buns?
a) Ginger b) Saffron c) Coriander d) Nutmeg
4. The Easter bunny was originally depicted as a hare, but from which European country does he originate?
a) Germany b) Denmark c) Italy d) Wales
5. What does the rabbit in Alice In Wonderland always carry with him?
a) An Easter egg b) A pocket watch c) An umbrella d) A mobile phone
6. Who presents Junior Bake Off?
a) Harry Hill b) David Walliams c) Ant and Dec d) Little Mix
7. How long does it take for an egg to fully form before it is laid?
a) Three hours b) 12 hours c) 26 hours d) A week and a half
8. The world's largest chocolate Easter egg was created by an Italian chocolatier. It was 10.39 metres tall. How much did it weigh?
a) Around the weight of a giraffe
b) Around the same weight as a car
c) Around the weight of a large African elephant
d) Around the weight of a double decker bus
9. Which Disney film does the rabbit Thumper appear in?
a) Bambi b) Beauty and the Beast c) Dumbo d) Cinderella
10. Some countries have a different animal delivering eggs instead of the Easter bunny. What bird delivers eggs in Switzerland?
a) Penguin b) Ostrich c) Cuckoo d) Puffin

11. England and Wales traditionally have a day off on Easter Monday. What do we call this?
a) Happy Monday b) Bank Holiday c) Fun Day d) National Lie-in Day
12. What happens to the clocks in spring?
a) They go forward b) They go back c) They all stop
d) They're all replaced with the sound of dogs barking
13. What part of the cocoa plant is chocolate made from?
a) Beans b) Leaves c) Berries d) Flowers
14. Why do many Easter eggs have a crocodile or fish scale design on them?
a) To represent the fish eaten on Good Friday
b) To cover up any imperfections in the chocolate
c) Just to look pretty
d) The design is inspired by a valuable Fabergé egg
15. Eggs have been the symbol of life for centuries. The act of giving eggs as gifts dates back to which civilisation?
a) Romans b) Egyptians c) Persians d) All of the above
16. Egg rolling – an Easter game of rolling decorated hard-boiled eggs down a hill – has been a tradition across Europe for centuries. It's now an annual event at which famous landmark?
a) The Leaning Tower of Pisa b) The Eiffel Tower
c) The White House d) Buckingham Palace
17. What meat is traditionally eaten on Easter Sunday?
a) Chicken b) Beef c) Pork d) Lamb
18. Who wrote The Tale of Peter Rabbit?
a) Beatrix Potter b) JK Rowling c) Jacqueline Wilson d) Roald Dahl
19. How many Creme Eggs do Cadbury make each day?
a) 100,000 b) 500,000 c) 1 million d) 1.5 million
20. Darius, a Flemish Giant Rabbit who lives in the Midlands, is the world's largest bunny rabbit. How big is he?
a) 60 centimetres b) A little over 1 metre c) 5 metres d) 25 metres

Answers to questions are at the bottom of page 35

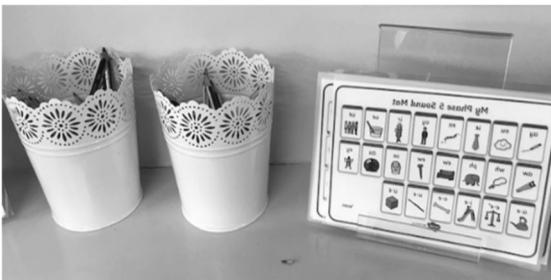
LONG PRESTON ENDOWED PRIMARY SCHOOL



Hello again and what another beautiful view from our hall window this afternoon. We are just preparing for the half term break and the children are outside playing as I type; this is one of the sounds around school that always makes me smile! I can't quite believe that half a term has passed already and my first one as Executive Head at that. I feel I'm beginning to get to know each of our lovely federation schools and can't wait to welcome all the children back in as soon as we are allowed.



Class 2 have been learning all about the solar system as part of their current topic 'Planet Earth'. Their art work makes a real impact in the classroom and the children really enjoyed exploring each planet and applying their creative skills.



Our approach to teaching early reading includes a systematic synthetic phonics programme based on Letters and Sounds. Our children are taught how to say each letter sound in response to its written form and gradually build their skills in blending sounds together to

read words. We are lucky enough to be working with an English hub to provide us with new teaching and learning ideas and resources and we are looking forward to purchasing some new phonetically decodable reading books for our children, too.



Our team in Class 1 have worked very hard this week to strip back the classroom and conservatory and give these learning spaces a fresh new look. We have hard flooring going in during half term so that sand and water play can take place in the conservatory. The children are learning how to care for their classroom environment and are great at taking responsibility for tidying resources away after they have been used! We still need resources such as metal or wooden kitchen utensils, woven baskets or tin plant pots, dolly pegs, buttons etc that will add to our collection. Please drop anything off at school and we will be pleased to put it to good use!

Wishing everyone a lovely half term!

Miss Trudi Ward

LONG PRESTON AND HELLIFIELD BROWNIES



Long Preston and Hellifield Brownies

Hopefully we will be able to start very soon. All those who have already enrolled, thank you. You will be contacted shortly and invited to join us for our first meeting on

Tuesday
5.15pm – 6.30pm
Long Preston Village Hall

Places are limited so please book, as we have to abide by GirlGuiding/ Gov rules and social distancing. Any girls who are interested who are 7+, who live in the surrounding area, or have friends who would like to come are also welcome to sign up. Due to GDPR you are not able to just turn up for the sessions.

Sorry!! Only those who sign up can access the details.

If you would like more information, contact me Rachel Metcalf on 07854067878 or email longprestonhellifieldbrownies@gmail.com



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VILLAGE HALL DIARY

All regular classes, meetings and events are suspended until further notice due to the coronavirus outbreak.
Please be reassured we will resume all our normal activities as soon as we are allowed.

LONG PRESTON VILLAGE HALL 200 CLUB

Due to the continuing corona virus situation we are suspending our 200 Club draw until at least April 2021
Hopefully by then it will be safe for everyone to re-join and take part.
Many thanks, Kind regards Jackie 840530

Answers to Easter Fun Quiz on page 28

- 1.a) 8 2.b) They represent Jesus and the apostles (minus Judas)
- 3.c) Coriander 4.a) Germany 5.b) A pocket watch 6.a) Harry Hill
- 7.c) 26 hours 8.c) Around the weight of a large African elephant
- 9.a) Bambi 10.c) Cuckoo 11.b) Bank Holiday 12.a) They go forward
- 13.a) Beans 14.b) To cover up any imperfections in the chocolate
- 15.d) All of the above 16.c) The White House 17.d) Lamb
- 18.a) Beatrix Potter 19.d) 1.5 million 20.b) A little over 1 metre

WHERE 2 WALK

Settle and the waterfalls. 6.5 miles.

Climb out of Settle and enjoy good views. From the road above Langcliffe drop past Catrigg Force and in to Stainforth. Return alongside the River Ribble, passing Stainforth Falls.

1. Pass the Co-op and continue up the steep road through the houses until the road levels out. Take the lane to your right and climb up the lane to some barns. Pass through the barns and carry on along the path with the wall on your left. No need for any more climbing.

2. The views to your left over Settle, Giggleswick and Ribblesdale are excellent. Continue for 1 mile along this path, through some gates before arriving at the road above Langcliffe.

3. Leave the road almost immediately and take the lane to your right. This soon opens out with lovely views across the valley towards Ingleborough. After half a mile and before reaching a gate turn left on a path heading gradually downhill, Ingleborough ahead.

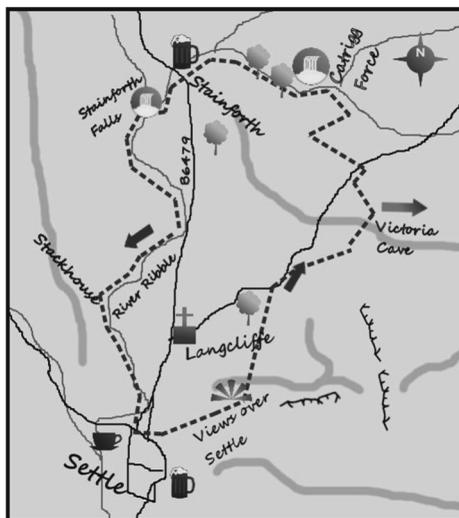
4. If you do go through the gate directly ahead you can turn sharp right (under the steep lad) and visit Victoria Cave. The cave lies to your left on the hillside after 200 metres.

5. Regardless follow the path down towards the Langcliffe Malham road. Turn right across the cattle grid then left towards Higher Winskill Farm. Before arriving turn right and then after 300 metres turn left on a farm track which leads to Catrigg Force. Visit this wonderful waterfall, set in the trees on the right.

6. Return to the track and follow it steeply down to Stainforth village. Walk through the village to the car park and cross under the road, next to the river and follow the path/lane down to Stainforth waterfalls.

7. From the falls follow the path alongside the River Ribble for over two and a half miles (with a slight detour past Stackhouses) back to Settle.

Jonathan runs Where2walk, a walking company based in Long Preston (google the website). He also runs Navigation Courses from the village, you can hire him as a guide for the day and books self-guided holidays. He has written 2 books, the 'Yorkshire 3 Peaks' and the 'Dales 30', available direct or from the Post office.



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