



Winster Village Magazine

November 2022

50p

Kids Halloween Disco Party

Where: Burton Institute Winster

When: Friday, 28th October 2022
3pm till 5.30pm

Come and enjoy, open to all
Party food, disco and party games,
best fancy dress prizes on the night

Bring your carved pumpkins for
judging!

Entry: £2
Free tea/coffee
Bring your kids, grandkids

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with graphics. Pay Bev by BACS or cash.

Let me know if you want the message to be published in the
December or January issue (published before Christmas).

Gabi Johannesmann

Winster Village Diary

Friday, 28th Oct	Mobile Library, 9.30 - 10am, Stops opposite Village Shop Kids Halloween Disco 3 - 5.30pm Burton Institute Village Quiz, 7.30pm, Burton Institute
Sat, 29th Oct	Annual Pond Clearance, 9.30 - 12noon
Sunday, 30th Oct	Putting up poppies, 10am meet in front of Leacroft Road
Monday, 31st Oct	Deadline for Secret Gardens applications 5pm
Monday, 7th Nov	Parish Council Meeting, 7pm, Burton Institute
Wed, 9th Nov	Winster Community Hub/Warm Space start of weekly sessions, 10am - 1pm, Jubilee Room, Burton Institute
Friday, 11th Nov	Bingo Night, open 6 - 8pm, starts 6.30pm Burton Institute
Sunday, 13th Nov	Remembrance Service 10.45am Church
Friday, 25th Nov	Village Quiz, 7.30pm, Burton Institute
Monday, 28th Nov	Winster Local History Group: Lynn Willies, The Discovery and Raising of the Wills Founder Engine in Winster in 1976, Burton Institute

Regular Events

Baby and Toddler Group, Village School - School Term Fridays 10-11.30am Contact School on 650238 or contact Hannah Master via Facebook or 650344

Senior Club, Burton Institute, 10am - 12noon

Yoga, Burton Institute, Tuesdays 6.15-7.45 from 6th Sept - 13th Dec, June Hine, 650994

Tea and Toast, Village Church, 4th Thursday of the month, 10am-12noon

Morris Dancers Practice, Tuesdays 8pm Burton Institute, Mike Hatfield 650468

Fortnightly walk - First and third Mondays of the month:

A 5 - 6 mile walk, taken at an easy pace, exploring the Peak District within about a 10 mile radius of Winster. Often finishing with a pub lunch.

For more details contact Judy - judy.hinsliff@gmail.com or 01620 650119

Monthly Walk - Second Tuesday of the month - meet at 10am outside the Bowling Green Pub. Contact Marg: marg.orchardmine@gmail.com or tel 650090

Welcome To The November Edition Of The Winsters Village Magazine

Days with long, dark evenings that seem to start in the afternoon are here to stay until the winter solstice on 21 December when the daylight is slowly claiming back its presence. Unfortunately, instead of looking forward to cosy nights in our homes, some of us may have to face living in a house which may not be heated as much or, at worst, not at all during this winter to keep the costs down. If you know you are going to be struggling, or someone around you, support with the cost of living is available here: www.derbyshire.gov.uk/community/cost-of-living/cost-of-living.aspx (or contact me for the original email containing the link). Other help is also available. Please read the jigsaw article from Judy Hinsliff on page 6. Pam Hadfield sent me a lovely idea of a Winsters Community Hub where people can warm up and socialise for a few hours in the Burton Institute. Hot drinks are provided and there is the option of reading the newspaper, play board games or simply have a nice chat. More info on page 15.

Keep well,

Jabi

Please email your signed articles, updates on groups, important dates and other items to:

mag@winsters.org

Send items by **18th of month by 6pm** for the following edition.

Exception: copy date is 11th December for X-mas edition.



TABLE TENNIS RESTARTING

Senior Club Table Tennis will resume on **Friday 14 October from 10.00am to 12.00noon in the Burton Institute.**

It is proposed that the £2 entry fee is raised to £3 to cover the increased costs and to guarantee an unlimited supply of coffee and biscuits!

New members will be very welcome. No skills required

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Winster Local History Group Next Meeting

**Monday 28 November at 7.30 in the Burton Institute
Lynn Willies, The Discovery and Raising of the Wills Founder
Engine in Winster in 1976.**

Lynn Willies is known to many people in Winster as a prominent figure in the Peak District Mines Historical Society and the Peak District Mining Museum, as an expert historian of Winster, and as the presenter already of a number of talks to our History Group.

This talk gives the background to water pressure engines in general, and goes on to describe the discovery and lifting of the huge engine in the Wills Founder shaft near Water Lane, Winster, which was part of the Portaway Lead Mine. The engine is now exhibited in the Lead Mining Museum in Matlock Bath.

Everyone welcome. Non-members are invited to make a donation at the door.

Afterwards we have our Christmas break. The next meeting is on 27 February.

I would like to thank the people of Winster for their wonderful support follow Glyn's death, and for the great turnout for his funeral. He would have been chuffed to bits.

**Vikki
Denver House**

*Winster remembers its war dead ~
compiled by David Frederickson*

Ralph William Shaw: In Memoriam: Private Ralph William Shaw, 8th Battalion King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry. The only child of William and Mary Hannah Shaw of Winster. He joined on 25th March 1916 and had seen service in France, where he was wounded and afterwards transferred to Italy where he was killed on 8th December 1917 aged 33 years. He is buried in Giavera British Cemetery in Treviso, Italy.

I do love a list!

I have to confess that I am an inveterate list maker. At any given time I will have several lists lying around the house – either on my desk (preferable) or maybe in the kitchen (additional). You can't have too many lists – despite what my son-in-law says. On a very bad day I will make a list of every single thing I have to do that day and if, by some mischance, I happen to do something that was not on the list – I have been known to add it to the list, just for the satisfaction of crossing it off!

Lists help you to be efficient – they help you to remember, to prioritise, they help plan and, most of all, they help you budget. I make a menu list for the week and from that list I construct a shopping list. That way - on the whole - I buy what I need and am less tempted to buy off-list when I get to the shops.

But what if, no matter how organised you are, you just know your money won't be able to stretch to all the essentials on your lists? My mum used to have little pots – one for the milkman, one for the baker (who used to deliver to the door, back in the day), one for the butcher, etc. etc. – just the same theory as lists.

So you've made your lists, or lined up your pots – one for the heating bills, one for the rent or mortgage, one for council tax, telephone, the cost of travel to work, the kids' school dinner money, uniforms, shoes, warm clothes, food for the week. What if there's no way the money will stretch to all those necessities, let alone any treats, like the occasional cinema visit perhaps? What do you do? Which essential do you cut back on?

It can be tempting to juggle – pay one red bill this week, another the next week – but what if there's an unplanned emergency (I guess most emergencies are unplanned) – the car on which you depend to get to work needs repair for instance? You can see where I'm going with this.

This is where food banks such as our local **Jigsaw** comes in. When people are desperate and find themselves, for whatever reason, unable to afford to put food on the table, they can be referred to Jigsaw (for how to access their help, see: <https://churchinthepeak.org/jigsaw/foodbank/>). They can deliver either a crisis package, or arrange a weekly delivery for a longer emergency. They are entirely discreet so that the neighbours have no idea, as for some people there can be a stigma about having to use a food bank. Also, although run by the Church in the Peak, they are not overtly religious and would never refuse anyone on grounds of religion or non-religion.

I am fortunate enough to make deliveries to Jigsaw in Matlock and have met the volunteers who work there. They are all lovely people, entirely non-judgmental about their clients and always at pains to say how much they appreciate the contributions from Winster Village Shop – they have a pretty good opinion of the residents of Winster!

So please, do remember to put money into the Jigsaw collection box near the shop till. I *know* it's a bit fiddly to do now – you need to ask whoever's on the till to put your cash in for you. I *know* we've been asking you to do this for over three years now. I *know* there are so many good causes to donate to. I *know* many of us are worried about just how difficult this coming winter is going to be. But do please keep on giving – a lot or a little, it all helps. Your money will never be wasted and will always be appreciated.

Thank you!
Judy Hinsliff on behalf of the
Village shop Charities Group

The Heathcote Charity - Applications for Grants

The Heathcote Charity's Aims and Objects include: To assist in the furthering of the education of the children and young adults and the relief of the sick and poor of the parish of Winster. The Governors would in particular welcome requests for financial assistance from local residents.

To apply for a grant please contact the secretary for an application form; these will be available from Tuesday 4th October 2022. Any application from or on behalf of individuals will be treated in the strictest confidence. All applications from village organisations must include a copy of the latest accounts and a recent statement of assets or accumulated funds.

The secretary must receive the completed application forms and any other relevant documentation **no later than Monday 14th November 2022.**

Secretary Jackie Long

Jackie.winster@gmail.com

Or C/O Sandra Purslow, Homelea, Main Street, Winster, 01629 650222

The Annual Pond Clearance

Just a reminder that we are planning to clear the weeds and, if possible, split the lilies and water soldiers and clear the silt trap on **Saturday 29 October.**

We have several pairs of waders for adults including a size 5. All are welcome to join us between 9.30am and 12 noon. Wear wellies and plastic gloves!

Hot and cold drinks and cake will be provided in the garage at Tite Cottage, Main Street.

More info Anthea 650480 or Dave 650395

Thanks to everyone for their support.

Anthea



Recipe Corner— Roast Marrow & Garlic Soup



Who is overrun with marrows?! This makes a creamy, simple soup, without the calories of cream.

Using a potato peeler, remove the skin of the marrow, chop off the top and bottom, halve and scoop out the seeds and pithy centre. Chop into rough slices a couple of inches in size. Spread out on a baking tray with a peeled, roughly chopped onion and 4 large cloves of garlic (in skins). Spray with a little oil and roast on 200 degrees GM6 for around 20 minutes until soft and browning. Don't worry if the onion and garlic char a little, it adds to the flavour. Add in 4-5 oiled sage leaves for the last few minutes. (Ideally, cook whilst the oven is on for something else). When cooled, squeeze out the garlic cloves. If you have boiled or steamed veg for another meal, save the water to make your stock with for extra flavour. This can all be prep'd the day before and refrigerated until you're ready to combine. Add the cooked veggies to a saucepan. Make up 1 litre of veg or chicken stock and add sufficient to the pan to cover the marrow mixture. Bring to the boil and simmer for 10 mins or until all veg is soft. Using a stick blender, blend the soup, if it's too thick - loosen up by adding more stock. Season with salt and pepper to taste. Sourdough from the shop makes a perfect accompaniment. Rachel Connor

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Your Village. Your Community. Your Shop.

The Halloween best fancy dress and pumpkin competition will be hosted once again at the Burton Institute during the Halloween Disco on Friday 28th October. All pumpkins will be lit up ready to be judged.

Current Shop Opening Times:

Mon – Sat	8.00am – 6.00pm
Sun & B/H	8.00am – 4.00pm

Bring your pumpkin to the Halloween Disco. **Can you please make sure you put your name and age on the back.** All the pumpkins will be lit-up for all to see. Come along and join in the fun.

The fancy dress and pumpkin competitions will be judged in categories of:-

- 5 years and under
- 6 years to 10 years
- 11 years to 16 years
- 16s and over – so even the big kids can take part

Currently selling Halloween goodies: - Buckets, Cakes, Sweets for trick or treating and lots more.

Did you know – Critchlows are a family run business and have been butchering for over 30 years, Harry Cooper started off with two farms.

Jamie his grandson who now runs the business with his wife and son have had Critchlows Farm shop for 10 years and all his meat is locally sourced in Derbyshire. All Pies, Pork Pies, Cottage Pies, Lasagnes and more are made fresh on site for same day delivery. Early start for Jamie and his team.

Critchlows deliver to the shop every Tuesday and Friday.

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- Cooked Meats & Pies
- Newspapers reserved or delivered
- Hot & Cold Drinks
- Cakes






DCC MOBILE LIBRARY BUS in Winster every 4 weeks.

Next time & date:

Friday, 28 October - 9.30am—10am. The bus makes only ONE STOP in Winster - this is the road side near Winster Village Shop. Please support this useful facility in order to keep it running.

Winster Parish Council

Recently it has seemed that there has been an increasing number of oversized vehicles coming through Winster. These are both an inconvenience and a safety risk to local residents. In these cases they can be reported to trading standards (on the link at the bottom of this article) where you have photographic evidence and can give a time and date. Could people also please report the details to the Parish Council on the below email, even if you don't have photographic evidence but can give details of the company, number plate (if possible) and time and date. The Parish Council can then also contact repeat offenders and local companies in particular, to try and prevent repeats. Of course vehicles delivering into the village are exempt from the restrictions, but if they are reported and have a legitimate reason, they will be able to show it through their delivery notices. As a reminder there is a limit from South Darley through Winster to the Elton crossroads of 7.5t and a more stringent limit of 3.5t on East and West Banks.

UK Maximum Gross Weight (tonnes)	Shape
3.5	no rear side windows 
Over 3.5 7.5	
Over 7.5 18	

You can also look up the weight of a vehicle through the DVLA at:

<https://tinyurl.com/53h3defx>

Enter reg no and it will give make of vehicle, tax & MOT status, and scroll down to get plated weight.

A lot of work has previously been done by Simon Stoker in this area and his website outlines more details and a history of the issue.

Derbyshire County Council link for reporting:
<https://tinyurl.com/Weight-Restrictions>
 Or visit www.derbyshire.gov.uk and search "weight restrictions"
 Parish Council Email: clerk@winsterparishcouncil.gov.uk
 Further details can be found on Simon Stokers' website:
www.winsterwestbank.co.uk

As there have been a few incidents of door sellers again in the rural areas, if anyone in the community would like a door stop seller sign could they email their details to mnt@derbyshire.police.uk.

There is a street meet with the local PCSOs also on the 25/10/2022 at 1500-1600 at the junction of Leacroft Road, so if anyone you know has any concerns please tell them to pop along.

Winster Parish Council

Remembrance Sunday, poppies and foreign currency

The Remembrance Service at St Johns will be held at 10.45am on Sunday 13th November.

The Parish Council is keen that the display of poppies on lamp-posts should be community led. As such, could anyone who wishes to help put them up please meet Simon Wood on the front of Leacroft at 10am on Sunday 30th October? Similarly if anyone would like to display any of these poppies on their own property, they are welcome to do so and can collect from Simon then.

Leftover foreign currency can be donated to the Royal British Legion to aid with work supporting the members of our Armed Forces and their families. Carolyn at the post office has kindly agreed to have a donation box, so if anybody has any unwanted foreign currency; coins or notes, these can be left there.

Parking Issues

The Parish Council have also been asked by our local PCSOs to ask anyone experiencing parking issues to either; ring 101, visit www.derbyshire.police.uk and click the report tab or message the main Derbyshire Police Facebook Page or Derbyshire Police Twitter.

Derbyshire County Council Snow Warden Scheme 2022-23

The Council's Snow Warden Scheme continued to be successful last year with several Parish's joining the scheme with volunteers helping to clear snow and ice and grit footways and pavements. As we don't know yet what this winter will bring, we don't want to be caught off guard. Therefore if any residents and Community groups are interested in volunteering as Snow Wardens or footway clearing in Castleton please email the Parish Council Clerk, with your name address and contact number to clerkrfo.cpc@gmail.com

Can you handle a gun?

I mean a traffic speed gun. If you would like to be part of the group that it hoping to use one to help slow the traffic entering our village, we are arranging a session with the Police in the Burton Institute in the very near future. Please let me know (650894) if you would like to take part. It will only take an hour or so.

David Frederickson

The Harvest Festival Auction

On 6th October Winster school PTFA and St Johns Church held a joint Harvest Festival celebration and fundraising auction at the Bowling Green. What a night! The evening started with a welcome from St John's represented by Marion, before the floor was handed over to the charismatic auctioneer of the evening....Jason. I could relay how he could sell ice to Eskimos, but after seeing the carnival winning speedos (complete with signed photo) from Mr Baywatch reach the giddy heights of £10—that wouldn't be giving him the level of credit due! Thanks to the generosity of donations from local businesses and village residents, a fabulous array of Lots ranging from giant marrows, a fishing trip, museum tickets to a cottage holiday and many, many apples went under the hammer. The lively evening **raised the roof**, both with laughter and proceeds, raising £2300 for the school and Church. A huge thankyou is extended to David and Marilyn for hosting, the super efficient volunteers on the night and all who supported, donated to and attended the event.

Rachel Connor on behalf of Winster School PTFA.



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GDO Notification - Proposed agricultural replacement storage building. Woodbine Farm Winster Lane Elton

[NP/DDD/0922/1119](#)

Erecting a greenhouse in the garden. Heathcote House Main Street Winster



News from the PTFA (Parents, Teachers, Friends of Winster School)

All monies raised by the PTFA are spent on items needed and requested by the school to improve the children's education, replace or procure resources, or to fund extra added activities. Over 1K per year is needed simply to maintain ongoing funding historically provided by the PTFA (from music lessons, to coach hire). Due to the pandemic, last year's income was just £31, we had a mammoth task to get back on track.

The good news, is that through a combination of events including Carnival stalls, Secret Garden sweet treats and the generous proceeds from the Harvest auction, this year the PTFA have been able to fund:

- A new playtable and stand for KS1
- Coach transportation for 3 upcoming trips, to ensure school trips are affordable and accessible to all
- The children's annual gift from Santa
- Musical instruments to support the school delivering the music curriculum

Our current goal is to acquire 3 x iPads for the infants, who are currently sharing one device between the class. We can't achieve this without your help. The easiest way to support the school is to simply come along and enjoy the family friendly events.

Talking of which, the next one is **BINGO....!**

A poster for a bingo event. The top section is green with a white bingo card icon. Below that, a black section contains the text 'C'MON DOWN TO THE BURTON INSTITUTE FOR.....' in orange, followed by 'BINGO' in large white letters. The bottom section is black with orange text: 'FRIDAY 11TH NOVEMBER 6-8PM, EYES DOWN 6.30'. To the right is an orange icon of a bingo wheel. Below the text, it says 'Family friendly BINGO fun night. All welcome!', 'Food available : Hot Dogs £2 - Chips £1 - Squash 50p', and 'BYO Alcohol'. At the bottom, a green bar contains the text '£3 Adult £1.50 Child, pay on the door PTFA fundraiser for KS1 iPADS' in white. The bottom right corner has a green background with white circles.

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PTFA fundraiser for KS1 iPADS



Operation Christmas Child Shoe Boxes

These boxes filled with toys, stationary, hats etc. provide incredible enjoyment to the children they are sent to in some of the world's most deprived areas. You can find out more about them and details of what to pack and what not to pack on the Operation Christmas Child website where you can also opt to pack a box online.

If like me you like to pack your own boxes, folding boxes and leaflets on what to pack will be available in the shop from the beginning of November – please contact me if you want them sooner. The boxes need to be returned to me or the shop **by the 13th of November.**

Winster Community Hub/Warm Space

The Burton Institute and Parish Council are keen to use the Jubilee Room of the Burton Institute this winter to offer a place where people can meet, socialise – and keep warm.

Initially this will be on



**Wednesdays from
10am-1pm
starting Wednesday
9th November**



There will be tea/coffee/cake provided. There are also ideas of offering games, TV films, newspapers. There is fast Wi-Fi. If there is demand for this, the JR room could be opened for longer hours and more days.

If you would like to drop in but would find it difficult to get there, please let me know (Pam Hatfield 650468) and I will arrange transport. Also, if you know of people who might be interested, please encourage them to attend.

This is intended as a community facility which anyone is welcome to use.

Decorating the BI for Christmas

The Burton Institute will be decorated on **Sunday 4th December.** Please contact Pam Hatfield on 650468 if you are available to help. 15

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Hello all,

The 14th of November until the 20th of November is a national week of focus against knife crime, during this week officers from the Safer Neighbour Team will be delivering posters and information booklets to all retailers stocking knives, holding events throughout the beat areas with knife bins to enable you to surrender your unwanted knives and delivering educational talks to High Schools. As part of this week, we are able to offer a knife collection service so that any unwanted knives can be disposed of safely.

If this is something of interest, please email MNT@derbyshire.police.uk and please put into the title of the message "FOR THE ATTENTION OF PCSO MATTISON". Please provide your details and a contact number.

If you have not already signed up, we have a community messenger service called Derbyshire Alert and by registering you can receive news, appeals, local crime information and crime prevention advice direct to your email address. To sign up please visit www.derbyshirealert.co.uk.

Furthermore, if you need to speak to myself, PCSO Mattison, or PCSO Nixon please either call 101 for non-emergencies, visit www.derbyshire.police.uk and click on the report icon, send a message to the main Derbyshire police Facebook page or visit twitter and direct message @DerPolContact.

THE TALE OF THE WALL



I own the wall that borders the entrance to the surgery car park on Leacroft road.

Over the years this has been knocked down several times by various car drivers, who have all failed to stop and scarpered the scene without trace, which is in itself a

criminal offence. Last month my insurance company had it fully rebuild at a cost of £1500.00 after the last occurrence. It took just six days until the next person knocked part of it down again and fled into the unknown. This is getting tiresome and expensive to keep having it repaired or carrying out the work myself. Is it possible to ask all drivers attending the surgery to take more care when reversing cars in the car park and to be extra vigilante, or at least have the decency to admit their errors and offer to arrange compensation for the damage caused and the repairs that will be needed. Roy Stone, 37 Leacroft Road.

A Winster delicacy? - by Christina Bradford



Since moving to Winster we have spotted toads, frogs, newts, hedgehogs, greenfinches, a sparrowhawk and even a weasel in our garden. But most surprising has been the patch of green slime that appeared on our garden steps back in September.

At first we wondered what on earth it could be. Some kind of poo? (Surely weasel poo doesn't look like this?!) Algae? Seaweed dropped by a passing gull? Leftover gunge from Noel's House Party, c.1995? An alien life form seemed plausible. Google is our friend however, and we soon identified it as Nostoc Commune, a form of cyanobacterium - that is to say, a colony of green-blue (cyan-coloured) bacteria.

Perhaps you have heard of it? I can't say I had, but in that strange way that happens after you learn something new, references to it keep cropping up everywhere now. Apparently, it is one of the most common organisms on earth. So why hadn't I noticed it or heard of it before? Perhaps, because in dry weather it is very inconspicuous, shrivelled into a thin, hard, black or brown crust. It remains in this desiccated state over long periods, resistant to heat and repeated freezing and thawing. Then one day, after a heavy rainfall (remember all the rain we had in early September?), it swells into a jelly-like sludge. And boy, can it spread, as old fragments breakaway and forge ahead as new colonies.

Thankfully, our glob of gunk has not yet spread. We'll have to scrape it off. It's not a good look and our steep garden steps are treacherous enough as it is. It's hard not to have respect though for this primitive organism. One of Earth's earliest life forms, it first appeared around 3.5 billion years ago, during the Precambrian era. I'm guessing it will out survive us all, as it is an extremophile, meaning it thrives in extreme conditions, including deserts, tropical forests and polar regions as well as both fresh and salt water lake beds. All this adds grist to my argument with Richard, that our garden, at the top of East Bank, counts as an extreme environment!

It's not just the historic lineage and ultra hardiness of Nostoc that amazes me. For one thing, it is a bacteria that gets its green colouring from photosynthesising like a plant. Moreover, like legumes, it 'fixes' nitrogen, meaning it takes nitrogen from the air and converts it into nitrates released into the soil. It's grown in rice paddies as a fertiliser, and so, when we finally do scrape our pet slime monster away, I'll be sure to dig it into the garden. One plant, the Hornwort *Anthoceros*, has even developed a symbiotic relationship with it, enabling Nostoc to grow cells inside the cavities of its roots. The Nostoc is well protected with the right conditions to grow, while the Hornwort gets to tap into its own, private, Nitrogen supply. Cyanobacteria is said to 'fix' over 35 million tons of nitrogen a year, playing a key role in the recycling of nutrients and the reconstruction of soil ecosystems. It's importance for re-fertilising deserts will amplify with climate change.

All pretty impressive. The poet in me, however, is most inspired by its many folk names, often with a supernatural culinary twist. In England, it's known as troll's butter or witch's jelly, while in Taiwan, it's nicknamed "雨來菇" or "yǔ lái gū", meaning "post-rain mushroom". Other names include "Star Jelly", because it was imagined to have fallen out of the sky, "Troll's Butter", "Mare's Eggs", or "Fallen Star." My favourite has to be "Spit of Moon."

Cyanobacteria can be very nutritious, so they say. The Cantonese call a variety of Nostoc "fat choi" and use it in their New Year's soup, while across China and South East Asia it fetches high prices for stir fries and salads. Before you start salivating at the thought of coming over for a sublime if rather slimy Halloween dinner at my house, it's worth noting that some Nostoc varieties produce a toxin thought to trigger neuro-degenerative disorders. Indeed, in the waiting room of Bakewell vets, a warning is displayed about letting dogs swallow it when paddling in lakes and ponds. A Winster delicacy? Me thinks not so yummy after all!

Burton Institute - Hire Charges

BURTON INSTITUTE, WINSTER		MAIN HALL	JUBILEE ROOM
CHARGES FROM 1st DECEMBER 2022 including VAT at 20% where applicable <i>These are the rates for Winster users. Others pay a 50% premium</i>			
Community Group: Higher Rate <i>Meals, teas, sales, performances, also other events with more than 30 people present if they require membership or make a charge</i>	Per session of up to 4 hours	£30.00	£23.75
Community Group: Standard Rate <i>Other usage by non-profit organisations</i>	Per session of up to 4 hours	£17.50	£12.75
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Where does a ghost go on holiday? Mali-boo.

Why do demons and ghouls hang out together? Because demons are a ghouls best friend!

Why did the ghost quit studying? Because he was too ghoulish for school.

What kind of horse do ghosts ride? A night-mare.

How do ghosts send letters? Through the ghost office.

What kind of music do mummies like listening to on Halloween? Wrap music.

How do mummies tell their future? They read their horoscope.

What do you call a mummy covered in chocolate and nuts? A Pharaoh Roche.



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Sudoku

Don't forget a move is invalid if:

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News from St. John's

Services at St. John's Winster, St. Mary's S. Darley and St. Helens Darley Dale in November

6th 11am United Benefice Holy Communion at St Helen's
13th 10:45am Remembrance Service at St John's
20th 10am United Benefice Toy Service at St. Mary's – see below
27th 10am Advent Holy Communion at St Mary's
11am Advent Holy Communion at St Helen's

If you wish, please bring unopened toys to the service on the 20th – these will be given to the Derby City Mission.

Most Sundays there is also a service at 2:30pm in the Wesleyan Chapel on West Bank.

Christmas Services at St John's

There will be an informal carol service at 6pm on Sunday 11th Dec, an activity afternoon with refreshments followed by the Carol Service on the 18th and a service of Holy Communion at 9pm on Christmas Eve. Further details will be in next month's magazine.

****New Recruits for the Choir at the Carol Service****

The 'village choir' will be singing again at the Carol Service in St John's on the evening of the 18th Dec. Practices will start on Wed 2nd November at 7:30pm in the Jubilee Room in the Burton Institute. If you would like to join us then either let Marion Bowler know, or else come along on the 2nd. You don't need to be able to read music, just to be able to sing in tune!

Exploring who Jesus said He is. Set of studies on the 'I AM' sayings, on Tuesday mornings

We started these 'studies' in October and will be continuing them in November, Tuesday mornings 10-11:30 in the room at the back of church. Each one is self-contained and all are welcome to join in. We start off with tea or coffee!!

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Letter from Reverend Stephen Monk

"How can we live a truly grateful life? When we look back at all that has happened to us, we easily divide our lives into good things to be grateful for and bad things to forget. But with a past thus divided, we cannot move freely into the future. With many things to forget we can only limp toward the future." The words from Henri Nouwen are important not simply for Christians but for all people. Trying to 'forget' negative or 'bad' events takes a lot of energy. Yet many people do try to forget the past. On a dramatic sense we can see this in the broken psyches of men and women who served in the military branches. Many who served their country in times of war and conflict and peace-keeping are left often to their own devices on returning to 'normal' life. If we try to keep pain, sorrow, or any traumatic event inside and pushed down - eventually after time we blow up - sometimes we break and other times we explode or implode. So the church is wise to use the month of November to Remember. We remember on the 30th October at St Helen's Church at 3pm all those who have died in the last few years. We name them for in faith and hope we trust that they are in the peace and love of God. Not hindered any more by sickness, illness or pain and sorrow. In our faith we trust that God holds our loved ones as we once help them ourselves. On an awesome or awful scale we also remember the people who served and died for the freedom of people they'd never know. WWI, WWII Korea, Burma and some African countries where our forces stood against Communist forces. People who were peace keepers in so many places. So many stories; so much war, pain and heartache. Yet the people we remember gave all. Some of these people paid the ultimate price on the battlefields and others on the streets of our cities in our psychiatric hospitals - homeless and for some hopeless. Don't we say "Lest we Forget" - maybe our trouble can be that we don't want to remember. In November, please hold in prayer all of every age who have served our country and the cause of freedom. Think of the Iraqi wars, the Afghanistan War. Years of war and sacrifice. If only the politicians were as faithful and strong of heart as our service people. And this year we think again of the Falklands War, we remember those who served, died and those who carry the pain still today. Imagine carrying mental pain for 40 years. Jesus wasn't absent in these places of war, violence and chaos. Jesus walked along the paths of pain and death just as he does today in our hospitals, nursing homes and hospices. Jesus is here. Our path in many ways is the same as when we enter any talking therapy

1. Turn up - sit and know you're in God's presence
2. Trust then tell your story - Talk to Jesus; Have faith that he wants to hear your story. Not to judge but to love and forgive and to hold your pain
3. Be open to new ways of looking at your situation. Have courage to look for healthy ways to be the real you. - Change through opening your hearts in prayer.

4. Fall! Sometimes we fall back into negative ways. We have our certain temptations and then we have to lift ourself again. - In our faith life Jesus helps us do the heavy lifting.
5. Trust in the process - Trust in the Lord. You are loved and you are precious. Trust, you are special.

In November we remember the dead of war and those who we love and see no more and we name them, we remember them with love as well as tears. Being a Christian is about facing the world and all it throws at us and knowing that we are loved. And once we know God's love and peace. We must know that we need to share that love. We have lots of things to be grateful for - I know after a spinal operation which was so painful the day I was in after the ICU was an experiment in showing gratitude. Gratitude for the HCA who made the bed a little more comfortable. Or the nurse who gave us the pain meds or the tea person who was a right character. When we have lots of things taken away, we know that what's important is the community who serve each other (even sharing a zimmer frame!! or a nurse who deals with ones catheter!!) In the pain of remembering this November please also remember that you are loved. You are immensely precious. I see my role as Priest to hold in prayer the loved ones we see no more and the pain you carry each day - I (or any priest) hold before God your story. As we move through November why not try coming to church - come and talk to me or to the God who loves you so very much. I finish with words of Henri Nouwen, "True spiritual gratitude embraces all of our past, the good as well as the bad events, the joyful as well as the sorrowful moments. From the place where we stand, everything that took place brought us to this place, and we want to remember all of it as part of God's guidance. That does not mean that all that happened in the past was good, but it does mean that even the bad didn't happen outside the loving presence of God. . . . Once all of our past is remembered in gratitude, we are free to be sent into the world to proclaim good news to others."

This November may you know Good News. May you be aware that we are one community - with many differences but with the same dignity as Children of God.

With my love and prayers for you all. Stephen Monk (Revd)

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The children of Winster School sang songs, performed dramas alongside Bible readings and prayed about their favourite foods at the recent Harvest service on Friday 14th October at St Johns.

The older children's contributions were linked to their favourite foods; such as Taya who's favourite foods is sushi, so she donated rice and Isaac's favourite food was Fish and chips so he donated potatoes and many more. The donations were gratefully received by the Jigsaw food bank in Matlock.



In the next half term, we will be gathering donations each week to produce 'bags of hope' which will contain items for a Christmas dinner for those who struggling to enjoy the festive season due to poverty.

