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Community Centre Improvements

Yetton Together has begun the long-needed but exciting process of transforming the old Victorian village school playground at the Community Centre into a usable space the whole village can enjoy.



Our plan is to make an attractive seating area with raised beds to grow vegetables and flowers, a sensory garden with tactile planting, sitting areas and picnic benches. There will be a hut/module that our garden volunteers can use as a store and hold meetings in. The area will be a flexible space for outdoor activities with additional parking, and reinforced grass access from Fields Rise for vehicles. Plans include a living screen with climbing plants, and the ground surface will be renewed.

We are hoping to install solar power for the lighting and electricity supply to the storage module. We will have external water and electricity points, rainwater storage butts and a compost heap.

The garden area will feature peat-free compost, and the site will be a pesticide-free zone.

The development will be in phases, and the first of these is now completed, with planting beds installed, paths laid, wheelchair access, services in place and a new gate to the site.

We have secured grants and used savings so far but now need your help for the next phases. Enclosed with your magazine is a leaflet outlining our plans, and how you can help. If you are a UK taxpayer please complete and return a Gift Aid form so we can boost your donation by 25%. Pick one up from the Community Centre or download from yettontogogether.org

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Good News for Library!

On 10th September, Councillors approved updated proposals for Kirklees Libraries. Their new plans intend to retain all 24 libraries in Kirklees. Some will rely on increased volunteer support as they face cut-backs to opening hours and paid staff time, but the contribution that libraries make to communities has been acknowledged.

A huge “thank you” and “well done” to everyone who has supported the fight to maintain Kirkheaton Library. All those signatures on the petition, engagement with our MP and councillors, questions asked and the letters of support, were all vitally important in urging the council to move away from the original proposal.

There will be more consultation over the autumn but, assuming the proposals become policy, it now looks very positive for Kirkheaton Library's status to remain much as it is now.

Happy Cycling

Regardless of the weather, the Great Bike Giveaway was a huge success on Saturday 29th June at the Community Centre. Over 230 children and their families went away with happy smiles and a bike each for the children! There were just a few sad faces as latecomers weren't all able to get a bike of their choice but over all it was lovely to see so many children riding away on their new bikes.

A huge thank you to Adrian, Allison and their team of volunteers at bicycle restoration charity OnTrak Bike Shed, and to our own volunteers for making it such a great success.

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Scouts - Ages 10.5-14

Explorers - Ages 14-18

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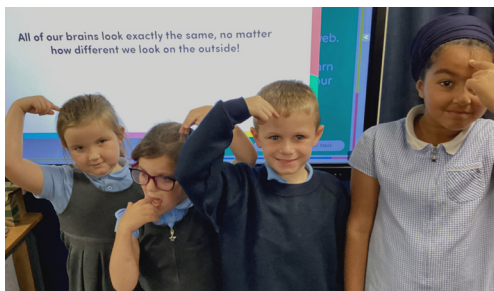
Kirkheaton Primary School reports on some of the work they are doing to help nourish the wellbeing of their children:



Gardening club is new for this Academic year. The children have come up with some amazing ideas on how they would like the flower beds and other green spaces within the school to look.

There is nothing better than getting on your wellies and stomping in mud, pulling out weeds, methodically planting new plants/shrubs and fruit bushes and watching them grow. The children learn the importance of caring for the plants, along with getting lost in their own thoughts, and giving an opportunity to talk

about anything on their mind. The sense of being outside, wondering about things and taking in the sounds around is medicine in itself.



Throughout school, we have begun using the MyHappyMind programme to supplement our Personal Development (PSHE - personal, social, health and economic) learning. The aim is for us to understand how our brain works so that we can support it to be our very best. This ties in very nicely with our values - the 4R's - Respect, Responsibility, Rights and Resilience.

It is our responsibility to look after our brains and when we learn new things that we find challenging we are practising resilience and our brains are using neuroplasticity to help us remember the next time we do that difficult thing so we can get better and better at it.

We have talked a lot about Happy Breathing as well and this keeps us calm either in times when we are feeling overwhelmed or we can practise it before doing something we find scary or challenging.



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Social Group

Yetton Together wishes to offer a big 'Thank You' to our Social Group, who are now retiring from their role after five years of organising fund raising activities for us.

During this time, Ann, Angie, Dawn, Diane, Judith M, Judith N and Lesley, have raised over £2,000 through a series of events, which include a Murder Mystery Evening, numerous Quizzes, a New Year's Eve party, Plant Sale and a Fashion Show.

Proceeds from these enjoyable events have helped fund equipment for the Community Centre and Old School Tea Room, the new 'Evacusafe' transit wheelchair, and a seat for the Centre's new outside space.

We will miss their enthusiasm, dedication and hard work.

A Hug from Grandma

June has been a member of the Creative Craft Group for many years. Seeing a project on a website about making a traditional American Amish style 'Quillow', she decided to take on this complicated task. A Quillow is a quilt within a pillow.

June took around eight weeks to make it, ready for her Grandson, Oakley. It's got love sewn into every stitch. Oakley loves his Quillow and uses it as a play-mat, pillow and a cover.

June says making beautiful things is part of her personal well-being. She is also a member of the Knit and Natter Group – both at Kirkheaton Community Centre and at Dalton Library. She bakes regularly for the Coffee Shop at Kirkheaton Community Centre and is a member of the Book Group at the Centre.



Playable Spaces

Some exciting news for children in Kirkheaton! You might have spotted some new outdoor playground facilities being installed in the village. They will provide fresh opportunities to have fun and be active with friends and family.



Outdoor activity and play supports social development, boosts physical and mental health and brings us closer to nature. Play, in its many different forms, is an essential element of helping children to have the best start in life.



Brand new equipment is being installed in the community parks at Bankfield Lane Recreation

Ground and Fields Way Open Space, plus the Sunnyside Avenue play area.

The new equipment is a result of Kirklees Council's Playable Spaces Strategy, in partnership with Public Health.



Following earlier consultations, the Council's programme developed proposals for all three sites at the same time, so that they can complement each other and provide different opportunities across the area. They are all within walking distance of one another.



At the time of writing, installation of the new equipment appears to be progressing well. Get ready to play, explore, and enjoy the great outdoors!

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Social Prescribing and Personalised Care

Unlocking Health and Wellbeing

In Kirklees, a transformative approach to health and wellbeing is gaining momentum through Social Prescribing and Personalised Care. These initiatives empower individuals to take control of their health by connecting them with non-medical support tailored to their unique needs.



What is Social Prescribing?

Social Prescribing helps people to improve their health, wellbeing and social welfare by connecting them to services and activities in their community, addressing social, emotional, and practical needs that affect health. It can help improve how you feel in a way that suits you: tackling isolation and loneliness; addressing stress caused by work, money or housing problems; helping living with a long term health condition.

Link workers will listen to what matters to you. They will help you to identify issues and challenges that you would like to address

and help connect you to services and local community activities that can support you and help you to feel better.

To access social prescribing and be put in contact with a link worker, please contact your GP surgery.

Personalised Care

Personalised Care complements Social Prescribing. It encourages people to set their own health goals and collaborate with healthcare providers to develop tailored care plans. This might include access to mental health support, or lifestyle coaching, all designed to align with individual values and preferences.

Care co-ordinators work in the community, visiting patients at home. They work with patients who will benefit from support around improving their health and wellbeing and achieve their self-care goals.

Again, to access this service, please contact your GP surgery for more information.



The Benefits

Together, these initiatives aim to improve overall wellbeing and empower residents of Kirklees to engage with their communities.

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Underwater Hockey - Update

In the last issue of Yetton News, we learnt that Kirkheaton's Harry Walker would be in the team representing Great Britain at the Under 19 Men's Underwater Hockey World Championships in Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia. The results are in!



Teams from all over the world included strong contenders from New Zealand, Australia, and Turkey but also from countries where the sport is still in its infancy; USA, South Africa, and Columbia.

The u19 men's team started well, winning

against Columbia and USA, but losing to New Zealand and France. This meant that they ended the 'Round Robin' stage of the competition in a strong 4th place behind New Zealand, France and Turkey.

The big game for the GB team was then a play-off between themselves and Australia.

It was incredibly close with GB going ahead but Australia equalising. The result then depended on a 'golden goal' with the first team to score being the winners. Unfortunately, on this occasion, it was the Australian team that scored first and took the game. Despite this disappointment, all the GB players were great ambassadors for their country and for the sport of Underwater Hockey.

Thank you to everyone who supported Harry and his fundraising, and helped him take this opportunity to represent his country in a sport that he loves.

Creative Writing - Update

During May and June, and in response to popular request, we held another imaginative and beneficial six week creative writing course, led by Sonia. Huge thanks are due to Third Sector Leaders who provided the funding grant.

The time together was not just about writing creatively but a whole lot more; giving support, encouragement, and a time for like-minded individuals to come together in a safe, welcoming environment at Kirkheaton Community Centre.



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Special Thanks

Until recently, I have had the pleasure of running a mindfulness class at Kirkheaton Community Centre.

I only stop now because my work has relocated me to Northumberland so we have had to move house.



I have been the Methodist minister for churches in Shepley, Honley and Scholes. To recap briefly, I wanted to do something where I encountered people outside of church walls and my love affair with mindfulness began more than eight years ago. I thought somehow mindfulness would change people's lives. Little did I know that it would change mine!

In early days I ran eight-week courses for people who felt anxious or stressed, or had low moods. They were popular and at times I ran back-to-back courses. Interestingly, mindfulness was enthusiastically taken up by people who just wanted to manage life better and who never considered they were 'in need' but felt they simply wanted to find a way to navigate the ups and downs of life better.

Following the original courses, a group formed and resulted in weekly Mindfulness sessions on Monday evenings at 7.30pm. The group continues still, thanks to the wonderful people who regularly attend.

If you would like to know more, get along on a Monday evening to the Community Centre and try it out. My own life has been turned around by practising mindfulness and by the lovely people I have met along the way – you will meet some of them on Monday evenings!

I have enjoyed working alongside everyone who makes the centre so warm and welcoming – thank you all. Special thanks go to Lorna Idle who has been a great encouragement and motivator and who unknowingly spurred us on to grow.

Tim Moore

200 Club: More Subscribers = More Hanging Baskets!

The 200 Club started twelve years ago. There were 113 subscriptions taken out in the first season (2012/13) and we are pleased to say that 40 of them have continued to be renewed ever since!

The concept of the club is simple. You buy a numbered 'share' (for £12 per year) which is put into a monthly draw with four chances to win. This gives the 'shareholder' 48 chances of winning some money; each month during the year there are prizes of £50, £30, £20 and £15.

You can join at any time during the year and just pay for the remaining draws in the season (September to August). Visit yettontotogether.org

and click on the 200 Club image/link on the home page for an online application form, or collect a paper form from the Community Centre, or contact 200club@yettontotogether.org

You can pay online, by cheque or with cash.

During this past year we have had 285 subscribers. The 48 lucky winning draws shared £1,380 in prize money over the season. The rest was used to finance 22 hanging baskets in the village, their watering and administration costs.

Details of winners of the 2023-24 draws are available on our website: <https://yettontotogether.org/200-club-winners-2023-24/>

Art in the Afternoon

Every Monday afternoon, from 2.00 until 4.00 pm, Kirkheaton Community Centre hosts an Art Class together with an art skills help centre.

It's headed up by our talented tutor Tim, some of whose own work is shown here.

The class is interactive, interesting, and open minded, helping individuals with their creativity and to achieve their artistic goals,



whether that be with pen, pencil or acrylic paints, watercolours, or oil paints, and focussed on landscape, portrait, seascape, or still life. Meet

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Weekend Visit by Former Rector

Richard Steel (Rector of Kirkheaton Parish Church 2008–2016) and his wife Jan, made a welcome visit to Kirkheaton on the first weekend in August. He had been invited to preach on the Sunday by the present rector, Ian Jones, so spent some time beforehand meeting up with former parishioners.

Richard was one of the founding members of Yetton Together so on the Saturday the couple visited the Community Centre to see old friends and to look at the changes to the building since he was last there in 2016!

He was amazed and very complimentary about the improvements made by the group since his departure. Changes noted included: new windows, disabled toilet, the move of the library to a smaller room, the welcoming Community hall space developed for use by the cafe and numerous community groups.



Following his move from Kirkheaton to Lincoln, Richard has now retired and he and Jan have now made their home in the beautiful small town of Hexham in Northumberland; recently voted 'the happiest place in England'.

We wish them both well in their retirement and hope to see them again at a future date.

The photo includes Richard in the centre and Jan on the far left.

Board Games Club

It has been one year since we started the club and we recently celebrated with a cake instead of our usual hot drinks and biscuits! We meet on Tuesdays from 10 am to 12 noon in the Community Centre. Everyone is welcome. Play a game that you already know or learn a new one!



What's On, Regular Activities

Event, Information & Contact	Where	When
Weekly		
Monday		
Chair Exercises #2. All ages/abilities. £3. Lorna 07905 073 982	CC	10.15 - 11.45am
Art in the Afternoon. £3 per session and 50p for tea/coffee. Tim 07772 006 833	CC	2.00 - 4.00pm
Library is open.	CC	2.00 - 5.00pm
Rainbows (during term time only). ramsdendivision@hotmail.com	UC	5.30 - 6.30pm
Spanish for beginners. Marie-Claire 07789 285 381	CC	6.15 - 7.15pm
Brownies (during term time only). ramsdendivision@hotmail.com	UC	6.30 - 8.00pm
Mindfulness Meditation. Suggested £3 donation. Karen 01484 535 717	CC	7.30 - 9.00pm
Tuesday		
Yoga. £6/session. Sarah 07951 076 828	CC	9.30 - 10.30am
Board Games Club. £2. Just turn up.	CC	10.00am - noon
Cubs (term time only). Ages 8 to 10½. 44thhuddersfield.scoutsonline.co.uk	SH	6.45 - 8.00pm
Wednesday		
Kingdom Tots (term time only). Babies, toddlers and carers.	KPCe	9.30 - 11.15am
U3A Music Group. Ian 07860 808154 huddersfieldu3a.org/music-2/	CC	9.45 - 11.45am
Toy Library (term time). No charge but suggested donation 50p/item. Donations of good condition toys welcome.	KPCe	11.00am - noon
Pyjama Drama for Tots (pre-school). Term time only. Carol 07399 758 295	CC	1.00 - 2.00pm
Chair Exercises #1. All ages/abilities. £3. Lorna 07905 073 982	CC	2.00 - 3.30pm
Warm Hub. Meet up for a free cuppa & snack. Carol 07399 758 295	CC	2.30 - 4.30pm
Bubble Venture. Wellness & Weight loss support group. Katie 07932 190645	CC	6.15 - 7.45pm
Senior Citizens Club.	UC	7.00
Thursday		
Yoga. £6 per session. Sarah 07951 076 828	CC	9.30 - 10.30am
Brush up on your Italian. huddersfieldu3a.org/languages/	CC	10.00am - noon
Knit & Natter. Just come along and join in.	CC	2.00 - 4.00pm
Local Walk (approx. 1.5 hour walk). Meet at KPC car park. Cathy 01484 531 449	KPC	1.30pm
T@2.30. Come along for cake and conversation.	KPC	2.30 - 4.30pm
Old School Tea Room. Delicious homemade cakes, snacks and drinks.	CC	2.00 - 4.00pm
Library is open.	CC	2.00 - 7.00pm
Kirkheaton History Group. Share info. In the Library. kfhg@outlook.com	CC	6.00 - 7.00pm
Beavers (term time only). Ages 6 to 8. 44thhuddersfield.scoutsonline.co.uk	SH	6.30 - 7.30pm
Yoga with Janet. Carol 07399 758 295	CC	7.30 - 9.00pm

Event, Information & Contact	Where	When
Friday		
Library is open.	CC	noon - 5.00pm
Children's Story Time in the Library.	CC	2.15pm
Lego Club. Term time only. Free entry.	CC	3.15 - 4.30pm
Old School Tea Room. Delicious homemade cakes, snacks and drinks.	CC	3.15 - 4.30pm
Krash Kids. Games and activities for 5 to 11 year olds (term time only).	KPCe	5.30 - 6.30pm
Squirrels (term time). Ages 4 to 6. 44thhuddersfield.scoutsonline.co.uk	SH	6.00 - 7.00pm
Scouts (term time). Ages 10½ to 14. 44thhuddersfield.scoutsonline.co.uk	SH	7.30 - 9.00pm
ReGen. Fun & activities for secondary aged children (term time only).	KPC	7.30 - 9.00pm
Saturday		
Library is open.	CC	10.30am - 12.30pm
Old School Tea Room. Delicious homemade cakes, snacks and drinks.	CC	10.30am - 12.30pm
Creative Crafts. Learning and sharing crafting skills. Trish 07858 223 854	CC	10.30am - 12.30pm
Sunday		
Baby Ballet. Felicity 07497 821 033	CC	9.00 - 10.30am
Fortnightly		
Fridays		
Home from Home. Friendship group for people living with dementia, their carers and people who are lonely or isolated. Jean 07982 233 460	CC	Usually 1st & 3rd Friday each month. 10.00am - noon
Saturdays		
Toy Library. See "Wednesday" details	KPCe	1st & 3rd Saturday, 10.30 - 11.00am
Monthly		
Bingo. £3 includes refreshments. No monetary prizes. Lorna 07905 073 982	CC	1st Monday 1.30 - 3.30pm
Kirkheaton History Group. Local & family history chat, over a drink.	SB	1st Monday 3.00 - 4.00pm
Young at Heart. Activities, discussion, refreshments, quizzes, conversation. Cathy 01484 531 449	KPCe	1st Thursday from 1.30pm
Firm Roots. Group for anyone affected by cancer. Everyone welcome. helen.jones@firmroots.co.uk	KPCe	1st Thursday 6.30 - 8.00 pm
Mother's Union (with guest speaker), Jan 01484 322 441.	KPCe	2nd Wednesday 2.00pm
Lunch Club. Home cooked meal and conversation. Cathy 01484 531 449	KPCe	3rd Thursday 12.00 noon
Bible Breakfast Club (for families). Toast, cereals, shared story and crafts.	KPC	3rd Saturday 9.30 - 10.30am
Yetton Together Forum meeting & 200 Club draw.	CC	4th Tuesday 7.00pm
Kirkheaton Bookworms. Reading group in Library. June 07958 269 651	CC	Last Monday 7.15 - 8.15pm
Location Key:		
KPCe: Kirkheaton Parish Church Centre	SB: Spangled Bull	
CC: Community Centre	UC: United Church	
SH: Scout Hut	KPC: Kirkheaton Parish Church	

What's On, Special Events

Event, Information & Contact	Where	When	Event, Information & Contact	Where	When
October			Friday 13th. Community Carols at the Beaumont Arms.	BA	7.45pm
Saturday 26th. Halloween Disco. £3. Family fun, open to all. Refreshments.	SH	6.30 - 9.30pm	Saturday 14th. Christmas Tree Festival. Local groups/businesses can display their own tree. For details on how to participate please phone 01484 531 449	KPC	11.00am - 4.00pm
Thursday 31st. Light Party. Fun for Primary aged children & their families.	KPC	4.00 - 5.00pm	Sunday 15th. Family Carols Service	KPC	10.45am
November			Sunday 15th. Christmas Tree Festival. See above.	KPC	12.30am - 4.00pm
Saturday 2nd. Bonfire Party. £5 adults / £2 children (pre-school free). Tickets from 01484 531 449 or on the gate.	KPCe	6.30pm	Sunday 15th. Christingle Service at the United Church. Craft and celebration.	UC	3.00pm
Monday 4th. History Group AGM	SB	3.00pm	Sunday 15th. Carols Round the Tree. At the end of the Christmas Tree Festival.	KPC	4.00pm
Saturday 9th. Christmas Fayre. All our usual stalls and much more. Admission: adults £1, children free.	UC	10.00am - 1.00pm	Sunday 22nd. Carols by Candlelight at the Parish Church.	KPC	6.00 - 7.30pm
Sunday 10th. Remembrance Sunday Service at the United Church.	UC	10.45am	Tuesday 24th. Christmas Eve. Traditional Carol Service at the United Church.	UC	6.00pm
Sunday 10th. Remembrance Sunday Service at Kirkheaton Parish Church.	KPC	10.45am	Tuesday 24th. Christmas Eve. Christingle Service at the Parish Church.	KPC	3.00pm and 5.00pm
Sunday 10th. Thanksgiving Remembrance Service for those who have passed away in the last year.	KPC	3.00pm	Tuesday 24th. Christmas Eve. Holy Communion Service at the Parish Church.	KPC	11.00pm
Tuesday 12th. History Group talk. £3 including refreshments. 19th century Yorkshire dialect writers. By Rod Dumbleby, Chair of the Yorkshire Dialect Society.	CC	7.30pm	Wednesday 25th. Christmas Day. Holy Communion Service at the Parish Church.	KPC	8.30am
Sunday 17th. Makers' Market. Local handmade presents. Refreshments available. FREE entry.	CC	12.30 - 3.30pm	Wednesday 25th. Christmas Day. Family Communion Service at the Parish Church.	KPC	10.30am
Sunday 24th. Songs & Carols for Christmas. Key of G Community Choir. Free entry but donations welcome.	UC	2.30pm	January Tuesday 14th. History Group talk. £3 including refreshments. How Grange Moor came to be hit by a V1 - Hitler's Operation Martha, Christmas Eve 1944. A talk by John Lindop.	CC	7.30pm
Tuesday 26th. Yetton Together AGM Mulled wine and mince pies at conclusion.	CC	7.00pm	Location Key: KPCe: Kirkheaton Parish Church Centre CC: Community Centre SH: Scout Hut BA: Beaumont Arms UC: United Church KPC: Kirkheaton Parish Church SB: Spenborough		
December					
Sunday 1st. Christmas Fair. Santa's grotto. Refreshments. Raffle. Gifts. Funds raised in aid of Kirkheaton Scout Group project.	SH	12.00 noon - 3.00pm			

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