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Thoughts from High Westmorland

By Rev Beverley Lock

Most of us do not often go to very grand occasions. Lord Mayor's Banquets, Great State Occasions, even Grand Garden Parties. Even less often do we feel we know personally those who have key roles in the proceedings.

However recently a number of our local residents accepted an invitation to Bishop James Newcombe's Enthronement at Carlisle Cathedral. It was a grand affair in many ways with video links to St. Cuthbert's church so as many people as possible could be present. The service was then started in St. Cuthbert's and continued through the City centre to the market cross and then to the Cathedral. There were visiting clergy including senior clerics from Carlisle's link Diocese of Stavanger. There were Lord Lieutenants, Mayors and Lord Mayors and as they say "the great and the good" as well as rows of ordinary folk who came because they wanted to see a familiar face on this special day.

Many folk will recognise Bishop James as he has been Bishop of Penrith since 2002. He spoke at Rev. Martin Dew's Induction in May this year and has been preaching, teaching and walking (He walked right across the Diocese in Lent one year.) Lots of people have seen him around the area at different times in the last 7 years. Many people like him for his sense of humour and his gentle humility. So in some ways all the pomp and ceremony focusing on this one person seems strange. Why all the fuss?

Sometimes we want to mark an event as saying something about all of us. We "make" a new

mayor or we "stage" a big reception to mark the completion of a project or the opening of a special building. We are saying that actually this matters not just for that one person but because they represent a position that says something about us all. What ever their politics we stand up when the mayor comes in the room because we show respect to the office. We have a big party at the end of a lot of work on a project to honour all the effort that has been put in. So with this grand occasion we mark not just that Bishop James is starting a new job but that he represents something that still matters to us – matters enough to celebrate together – big style.

Whether we come to church or chapel regularly over 70% of us in this country call ourselves "Christian". A big event like October 10th says that it still matters to people in this county that the Christian story is part of our story; our internal landscape. Its not about one man called James Newcombe, fine music or funny clothes; it about a faith that the Christian way is a good and reasonable way to live our lives. That we may not live up to them but that Christian values like fairness and caring for those in need matter to us at a deep level. In fact at the end of the day **it is about one man**, a man called Jesus Christ, his teachings and his values that we believe are ours. The good thing we can be sure that James Newcombe would be the first to agree.

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Notes from The Herald, November 1909

Fine and frosty.

On 12th November Mrs. Holme, widow of the Vicar of Orton was a passenger in a friend's coach travelling to Musgrave. At the bend near Linehams it overturned throwing her out; shaken.

Mr. J.W. Lund, Orton, won 1st and 2nd for his Black Orpingtons at the Ryton Poultry Show (Tyneside) on 13th.

A Tatie Pie Supper at the P.M. Church, Tebay, on Martinmas Saturday eve was “very good”. Tebay P.M. Church is a hive of industry at present. On the Friday evening Tebay Athletic Association's Ball in the Market Hall had 50 couples dancing.

On Sat. 25th September, the T.A.A.'s first cross-country race was won by Mr. Edwin Brockbank; a month later he was dead - a six day sudden illness. As well as the T.A.A. he was in the T.F.C., a railwayman at Gaisgill Station. He was the youngest son of the late Mr. G.T. Brockbank. He died at Tebay on the morning of 21st November and Orton's Dr. Gibson was called often in the six days.

To let: The Gills Farm, between Tebay and Ravensonedale; includes heafed flock. Entry 25th March (land) 12th May (house). The present occupier Mr. William Bainbridge of Kelleth, size of farm not said.

To let: Studfold, a farm near Ravenstonedale.

Food prices at Penrith, Tuesday, 23rd - Flour and oatmeal cheaper; meat cheaper; eggs and butter dearer.

Ravenstonedale Congregational Church held a soiree for its Library on Tuesday, 16th in the Chapel - there were a lot there.

Joke: Mistress: Why is your sister not married yet?

Maid: Because her young man spent the furniture money on a bicycle for himself!

Thanks to Jeremy Godwin for the above.

**Mid week Holy
Communion**

**There is now a regular
Holy Communion service
every Wednesday at St
Michael's Shap at 10.00am
led by Rev Martin Dew.
This is followed by
refreshments and all are
welcome especially from
the linked parishes.**

Thought

They lie on the table side by side
The Holy Bible and the TV Guide.
One is well worn and cherished with pride.
Not the Bible, but the TV Guide.
One is used daily to help folks decide.
No, not the Bible, but the TV Guide.
As the pages are turned, what shall they see?
Oh, what does it matter, turn on the TV.
So they open the book in which they confide.
No, not the Bible, but the TV Guide.
The Word of God is seldom read.
Maybe a verse before they fall into bed.
Exhausted and sleepy and tired as can be.
Not from reading the Bible, from watching TV.
So then back to the table side by side,
Lie the Holy Bible and the TV Guide.
No time for prayer, no time for the Word,
The plan of Salvation is seldom heard.
But forgiveness of sin, so full and free,
Is found in the Bible, not on TV.

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St Michael's Church

Shap

1st November

2.00 pm

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someone close to them.

Registers

The funeral took place of Cyril Iveson on Thursday 10th September at All Saints Church Orton.

The funeral took place of Margaret Lowis on Friday 18th September at St James Church Tebay.

The funeral took place of Margaret Bennett who was a resident of Orton on Monday 5th October at St Patrick's Church Bampton.

The Baptism took place of Nathan John Mawson on Sunday 16th August at All Saints Church Orton.

The Baptism took place of Lucas James Hoyle on Sunday 11th October at St Oswald's Church Ravenstonedale.

The Wedding took place between Simon James Allan and Lyn Thistlethwaite on Saturday 3rd October at St James Church Tebay.

Tebay History acted out by the School Children

The children of Tebay Community School Drama Club had worked so hard! With the help of Mrs Alison Wild and Reverend Beverley and some very special grown ups they had produced four scenes of a play without a single script.

The play charted tea time at different times in the history of Tebay.

The link between the scenes was provided by images provided by Mr. David Aspden on a large screen at the front of church. It started with the glaciers scrapping their way through the hills, scratching a great passage between the high hills on either side. Then as it melted the valley bottom was filled with a flowing river.

As the ice receded the wooded valleys were hunted and plundered by man. They had their religious sense and built standing stones to mark their beliefs on the countryside.

Then the images jumped to the Romans and their fort. Two brave Roman soldiers stood guard in high plumed helmets in our production. They had their time in Tebay and a hard posting it must have been for some

of these men more used to sun than the harsh wind of a winter defending the steep gorge from the invaders.

When the Romans had left it was still necessary to defend the gorge and a Mott and Bailey Castle was built high up so the inhabitants could see any would be attackers

From strip maps from the 1630 we could trace the road up to Scotland through Tebay and see how long and dangerous it was. Many poor folk travelled that way and in the winter it could be treacherous.

Gradually life became less violent and the woods were cleared by man and the stock they kept. They built farms in the protection of the valley and the first scene of the play was set on the farm.

This scene was inspired by Mrs Hilary Wilson coming in to tell the children about life on the farm when she was young. She showed us her scales with imperial weights and lots of different old varieties of apple. She talked about making pies and butter. The children made up a scene about a Mum, Dad and two girls. Dad went looking for some

stray sheep and sadly died of the cold leaving the Mum to cope with her two little grieving girls and a farm to run. Mrs Wilson's scales found their way into this scene but the story was imaginary.

Then the river and the road was joined by the Railway and we saw lots of pictures of the kind of steam trains that ran on the line up the sharp incline to Shap. Len Clark's dad was a signal man and the children played out a scene where Dad had to provide tea of cabbage soup and relied on catching rabbits for meat. Just as Len had told us he did. The children also picked up on how the blackberries were a welcome addition to plain fare and how the school master used the cane! They particularly remembered how parents would back up the punishment by more at home for shaming the family!

Then came the war. The children came by train from Newcastle and were billeted on local families. Some had a good war enjoying the open air and freedom of living with families in Tebay. Others remember it as a very sad time when they were treated badly or neglected by adults who did

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not want the extra work of dependant children. Mrs Wild had shared some of the horrors of "being chosen" by adults from the train and some of the children took this up and acted out some of the horrid ways the children were treated.

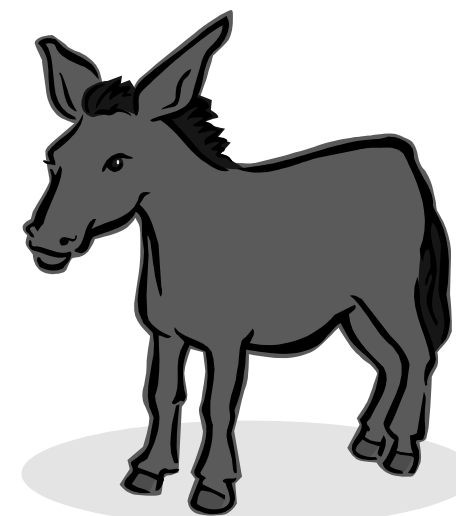
Then the river the road and the railway were joined by the motor way. Pictures of that being constructed and more modern shots brought us to the modern day. Note the games are not hopscotch but Play stations and all is well until a power cut!

With that the scenes were rounded off by some thoughts of what the children may tell their great, great, grandchildren about life in Tebay.

A huge thank you to everyone who helped with this venture. Special thanks to the support of members of the Orton and Tebay History Society who sourced and made costumes and for the parents who did a lot of extra running round and turned out on a wet night to support the children. To Mr Aspden for the images and to PCC of St. James for their generous support.

A Donkey's Tale

One day a farmer's donkey fell down a well. The animal cried piteously for hours as the farmer tried to figure



out what to do. Finally he decided the animal was old and the well needed to be covered up anyway, it just wasn't worth it to retrieve the donkey. So he invited all his neighbours to come over and help him. They all grabbed a shovel and began to shovel dirt into the well. At first, the donkey realised what was happening and cried horribly. Then, to everyone's amazement, he quietened down. A few shovel loads later, the farmer finally looked down the well and was astonished at what he saw. With every shovel of dirt that hit his back, the donkey was doing something amazing. He would shake it off and take a step up. As the farmer's

neighbours continued to shovel dirt on top of the animal, he would shake it off and take a step up. Pretty soon, everyone was



amazed as the donkey stepped up over the edge of the well and trotted off!

Moral: Life is going to shovel dirt on you, all kinds of dirt. The trick to getting out of the well is to shake it off and take a step up. Each of our troubles is a stepping stone. We can get out of the deepest wells just by not stopping, never giving up! Shake it off and take a step up!

From *A Barrel of Fun*, J John and Mark Stibble Monarch Books.

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3.00pm Remembrance Service Martin Dew
TEBAY 11.15am Remembrance Service Ian Elliott As above
TEBAY 4.00pm 2@4 Beverley Lock

RAVENSTONEDALE 9.15 am Remembrance Service B Lock Readers Michael & Sally M. Gibson

Sunday 15th November 2nd Sunday before Advent Lessons Liturgical colour Red/Green

ORTON 9.30am Family Service Beverley Lock Daniel 12 1-3, Hebrews 10 11-14, 19-25
Sidesman Mary Jenkin Prayers Thorpe Family Readers Jackie Huck, Brian Lock
TEBAY 11.15am Holy Communion Martin Dew

RAVENSTONEDALE 9.15am Holy Communion Martin Dew As above
Readers David & Caroline Morris

Sunday 22th November Sunday next before Advent Lessons Liturgical colour Red/White

ORTON 9.30am Morning Prayer CW Martin Dew Daniel 7 9, 10, 13, 14, Revelation 1 4b-8
Sidesman Jim Milburn Prayers Chris Bland Readers David & Meryl Aspden
TEBAY 11.15am Holy Communion Martin Dew
RAVENSTONEDALE 6.30pm Evensong Martin Dew As Orton
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**THE VIEW FROM
TEBAY** by Reg Capstick,
Licensed Reader

I have just been reading in today's Cumberland News a full page article about the newly-enthroned Bishop of Carlisle, the Right Reverend James Newcome. Although newly appointed, Bishop James is already well-known in the Diocese because of his work as Bishop of Penrith. I believe it is fairly unusual for a suffragan bishop to be promoted within a diocese as has happened here but I cannot help thinking it has been a sensible move rather than appointing someone completely new to the area, as has usually been the case. Bishop James has drawn up a "top 10" list of priorities for growth in the Church of England in Cumbria, two of which seem to apply to us in this area especially - working with other churches and maintaining local ministries. In Tebay we have always, at least in my time, had good relationships with our Methodist friends and I see no reason why this should not continue. Already we have had good support for our monthly Songs of Praise from several Methodists, whose enthusiastic singing has enhanced the services. Maintaining local ministries is also something we are very much aware of in High Westmorland, and especially in Tebay, where our congregations are smaller in number than we would like. Recent attendances for special services, a funeral and a wedding, have been good but we cannot rely on these to maintain our church. The most recent innovation, a 4 p.m. service on the second Sunday of each month (2@4)- aimed at families with young children, is showing promise and even an old stager such as me has found pleasure in the new format. One thing I have discovered is that "Playdough", while it looks like the "Plasticine" I used to have as a lad, is very different in texture and much less messy to use.

St James' has also been used for other purposes of late - a slide show on Tebay's railway past

being one such occasion - and will be in the future if funding is forthcoming for the idea of an exhibition area in the building. Beverley has been the prime mover in this undertaking and deserves all the support we can give her, especially in harnessing the enthusiasm of youngsters from Tebay School. In my very young days - alas a long time ago now - I do not recall being encouraged to find out much about the village and it is vital that we do not let memories of Tebay's past as a railway centre fade. So if any child you know approaches you to stir your memories of times past please do what you can to encourage their enthusiasm.

Anyone who comes into St James' at present, either for a service or a meeting, will notice that the scattering of unmatched cushions we, have had for some time has been enhanced by the provision of pew-length "bolsters" on the front seats. We owe these magnificent "comforters" to the kind donation of the innards of a former water bed from Carol Moffat and to the skills in sewing of Patricia Wolstenholme. Being a person almost totally lacking in any such practical ability I am consumed with admiration for

anyone who can produce such magnificent work.

People passing the end of Church Street will, all being well, see something new within a few weeks. The PCC is to replace the tatty-looking board sited in the corner of the Manse garden - a concession granted when the Vicarage was sold to the Methodists - with a brand new, modern notice board, made of more weather-resistant material which we hope will last for a good few years.

As Autumn continues to provide better weather than the so-called Summer months, albeit colder in the mornings, we look forward to the season of Advent and the festivities associated with Christmas. Details of special services in all our churches and chapels will be advertised in good time and we hope to see many of our fellow-villagers joining in our worship this year. There is something about the season of good will which moves even an old cynic like me and it is a time when, in spite of recession and MPs' ridiculous expenses claims, we can enjoy fellowship and, as Bishop James says "offer peacefulness" at Christmastide.

The Old School Tea Room, Tebay,
invite you to a Soup and Sweet evening.

An opportunity to sample a selection of our finest soups and homemade breads followed by cakes, puddings and sweets galore.

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Booking is essential. Contact Joanne or Steve on 01539 624286



Party Time.

Saturday 19th December at 7.30pm,
The Old School Tea Room, Tebay.

We are having a Christmas Party and invite you to join in the celebrations. A menu filled with delectable goodies will be served in a seasonal atmosphere. Santa may even deliver a little something for anyone who has been good this year.

Bring your own good cheer and beer. Booking is essential.

The price for the evening is £15 to include all food.

Call Joanne or Steve on 01539 624286



Tebay

Orton & Tebay

Local History Society

Thursday 19th November 7.30 p.m.

Tebay Methodist Church

"The Role of Tebay in the Great War"

A Talk by Peter Studd

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Then "Wow" a huge instalment comes in one swoop and what a change!

One can be tempted to feel sorry for oneself and moan, which is a very easy thing to do but—no use whatsoever.

Sit down quietly before the Lord and count your blessings. You will be amazed how many you have and that He has brought you safely to

where you now are. Accept your limitations and spend the inactive time you have to come before Him with praise and thanksgiving. Remember in your prayers all the people you know who are in desperate need of prayer. There is always this work you can do for others in His Name and for His Sake. So try to be a blessing to others.

Grow Old Gracefully

MOLLIE BENNETT

(A word about Mollie: She is 95 years old and has been a lay reader for many years. She lives alone and daily supports her 100 year old sister who lives in sheltered accommodation. I have known her for 45 years and she has been a wonderful example of Christian faith and life to me. MA)

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Tebay Community Primary School

The Fell Pony Project

The local Fell Pony Club organised a fantastic opportunity for Year 5+6 to increase their knowledge of Fell Ponies.

Two pony breeders came into school, bringing with them their beautiful ponies...the ponies were stroked and groomed by the whole school! Y5+6 interviewed the breeders to find out specific information about the ponies. Two film experts, Emma and Tom, key people to the project, also came into school, to help Y5+6 make an animated film, telling everyone of the fantastic qualities of the Fell Ponies and how they are an endangered species! Emma and Tom, have now moved onto Sedbergh Primary and Settlebeck Secondary to continue raising local awareness and making an informative film with school pupils.

We all learned a great deal about the special qualities of the ponies: their hardiness, strength, stamina and speed and we hope breeders are inspired to continue the tradition of keeping the ponies on the fells, into the future. Thank you to the Fell Pony Club for such an insight into a local tradition and the beautiful ponies.

Did you know...Fell Ponies have been transported to America by plane?!

They have manes to their knees- and tails so long the ponies can tread on them! (Protection from weather!)

Entertaining Evening of Dancing!

Parents, teachers, governors and pupils got together for a wonderful evening of Dancing, with refreshments to keep everyone going! Thank you to FOTS for organising the event...great fun. The Y5+6 demonstrated some dances they had learned.

Aspiring High

Children and parents of Y5+6 were invited to the "Westmorland Hotel" for an interesting evening, led by an local artist Julie Scott. She encouraged everyone to think about their strengths and weaknesses when deciding the route to take in life. The evening was thought provoking and the art work inspirational! Thank you to the Westmorland Hotel for such a professional setting!

Drama Club

A Drama Club, organised by Reverend Beverley, has met every Monday evening. The children have explored life in the past, in Tebay and two local people have come in to explain what home life was like on a working farm and for railway workers. The children examined artefacts and decided that life was hard work before electricity and bathrooms! The children will perform sketches showing home life in the past, at St James Church. Many thanks to the costume makers and historians involved.

Extension Celebration

A celebration was held to mark the new school extensions: a spacious store room used for dining furniture and PE equipment, also a light and stunning classroom extension to the Y5+6 room. The Y5+6 baked "nibbles" and FOTS kindly organised refreshments.

Congratulations!

Mrs Lees, our KS 1 teacher is off on new ventures...to be a head teacher at Milburn. Mrs Kent (who was with KS1 last Autumn/Spring) will return in the Spring Term 2010, whilst Governors consider the needs of the school...watch this space!



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Orton

Orton Manor Court

Abridged Minutes of a meeting of the Committee, held at 7.30 p.m. on Monday 7th September 2009.

Present: Jane Arckless, Judy Dunford, Wendy Higgins (Steward), Jackie Huck, Christopher Jenkin, Peter Knowles, Marion Robinson, Sandra Ward.
It was agreed that Wendy should chair the meeting.

1. **Apologies:** Kyle Blue
2. **Minutes:** The Minutes of the meeting held on 7th May were agreed.
3. **Election of Officers:** Kyle Blue was re-elected in his absence as Chairman, and Wendy Higgins, Jane Arckless and Christopher Jenkin as Steward, Treasurer and Minutes Secretary respectively.

Matters Arising from the Minutes:

- a. No grazing payment in respect of Meldykes has yet been received.
- b. Registration of OMC lands: Kate Blue has been given all necessary information and documents, and it is hoped that everything necessary has now been sent to the Land Registry.
- c. Land in front of the Tea Room: Paul Dunford will look into whether ownership of this may have been registered with Land Registry.
- d. West End: No tenants have paid the 2009 dues of £1.10.
- e. Toilets: the cheque is still awaited from EDC. The toilets are now cleaned by The George, and are also meant to be opened and closed by them.
- f. The Hearse House tree stumps are still sprouting and will need attention.
- g. Stones to protect the verge near the Hearse House: Christopher will try to obtain some – preferably small granite boulders.

Matters Arising from Triennial Meeting of 23rd July:

a. Benches: Action should be taken on this, but Bridget Turnbull Brown, Conservation Area Planning Officer, will be asked by Wendy if there are any regulations concerning benches. The benches (e.g. in Carsa Brow) made from recycled silage bags are extremely durable, but also very expensive – about £600. Perhaps teak-type benches would be preferable. An article in *Link* (written by Christopher) will invite individuals or organizations to donate benches, e.g. in memory of someone, whose name could be inscribed on the bench. Various possible sites for benches were mentioned but no firm decisions made.

b. Enhanced Publicity for OMC: Judy will be the link person with Stan Frost who manages the Orton website (www.orton.gov.uk) Wendy will also attempt to prepare the Agenda two weeks in advance so that it can be displayed on the notice board, and people can make suggestions.

c. **Date of next meeting: Monday 23rd November, 7.30 p.m.**

Community Woodland Project - Orton



Tree Planting Event:
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Chaantallaimy Davies

Quote from a Parish Magazine

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Orton

Orton December dates for your diary

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Friday 11th, 2pm

Christingle and Carol Service in Church,
Monday 14th, 7pm

School Carol Service in Church,
Friday 18th, 1.30pm

Carols in Orton Chapel,
Sunday 20th, 10.30am

Carols by candlelight, in Church,
Sunday 20th, 6.30pm

Carol Singing round the village,
Thursday 24th, from 6.30pm

Midnight Christmas Eucharist in
St. Oswald's Church, Ravenstonedale,
Thursday 24th, 11.30pm

Ceilidh for Uganda

On Saturday December 12th,

Chris Bland and the Reunion Band
will be leading a
Ceilidh
at Orton Market Hall at 7.30 p.m.

It is on behalf of the Kasese Street
Children Project, for which Chris and
Mary Jenkin have been raising money
since their visit to Uganda in April 2008.

There will be a bring-and-share supper;
bring your own drink.
Raffle:
crafts for sale.

Tickets £6

available from Chris Bland, Chris and
Mary Jenkin, and Orton Post Office.
Enquiries: 015396 24410

highlights

rural touring scheme

Following on from the October performance by Scottish singer and songwriter, Michael Marra, November sees something completely different with an unusual two-man production of Shakespeare's Two Gentlemen of Verona.

Two Gentlemen of Verona

Sunday 15 November at 7.30pm

Tickets just £6 with concessions at £5 and **FREE** tickets for under 26s
A Zimbabwean take on Shakespeare's play as Denton Chikura and Tonderai Munyevu use simple props and costumes to take on all the parts and tell an old story in a modern setting. The company will be living in Orton for almost two weeks as a base for their tour with this production and the Orton night will be one of the last in the area so not to be missed. "Exquisite ... small but perfectly formed." The Times

To book tickets in
advance, please
contact Sally on 24732
or tickets are available
from Orton Village
Store.



Orton Farmers' Markets

The next two of these
popular markets will be:
November 14th
and

**A Grand Christmas
Market**
December 12th

Carol singers and mince pies in
Church

Join us for refreshments and a chat
in a friendly atmosphere.

In October we raised £554 to help
us continue God's work at All
Saints.
Many thanks for your continued
support.

Orton Mothers' Union

Our next meeting will be
Thursday 19th November
when
we will join Shap MU open
meeting

2pm in Shap Memorial Hall

for a presentation by the
Sunbeam Trust

followed by refreshments.

Leave Orton 1.30pm.



~ALL SAINTS CHURCH~

Saturday, November 28th

Christmas Creative Crafts

for children of all ages

In Church, 1pm - 2.30pm

followed by:

Christmas Fair

Orton Market Hall

Saturday, November 28th, 2.30pm.

Opener:

The Revd. Carole Marsden

Santa ~ Teas ~ Cakes

Stalls ~ Games ~ Raffle

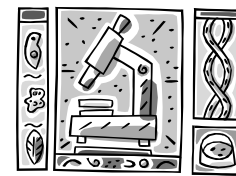


Admission Free

All welcome



Ravenstonedale Endowed Primary School



We are going to have a Science Club after School on Monday's starting in

Guitar Group

Every Tuesday we do guitar with Mr Wilkinson. It is cool. Next week we are doing *Twinkle Twinkle Little Star*, but I do not know how to play it yet. Ryan Capstick.

You learn to put your thumb on the top string and play the bottom string with your middle finger and the first finger. It is good. You have to learn these tunes, they are hard to do but after a bit you get used to them. Matthew Ousby

Dig For Victory

At the moment in History we are learning about WW2 and Dig For Victory. We are planting some vegetables in the planter. We have planted cress, turnips, corn salad, spinach, shallots, onions, cabbage and radish and they are not big yet. IT WAS FUN. Ben Capstick and Calum Doogan

Christmas is Coming !
Friday 4th Dec
School Carol Service
at 2:30 pm.
Friday 11th December
School Christmas
Production at
Newbiggin Village
Hall.

WORLD WAR 2

Class 2 have been studying World War 2 and we have had some very interesting visitors.

Alan from the Beacon Museum Whitehaven.

Alan came to school dressed as an ARP warden. If the house was on fire after being bombed, he would put it out. He had a Mickey Mouse gas mask that was for a baby. He showed us pictures of Winston Churchill and Adolf Hitler. He told us about the blackout and if he saw a tiny bit of light he would say "Put that light out now!" He told us about ID cards and if you didn't have your ID card he could put you in jail. We heard the air raid siren and it was very loud. Jordan Cutts.

Margaret talking

One day someone called Margaret came to talk to Class 2 about World War Two, and someone called Karen MacDougall recorded Margaret and put her on a CD. She was alive in the World War Two and that is what she was talking about. Leah Boustead.

She was staying with her Auntie and Uncle in Newbiggin when she was on holiday from her job in London where she was a teacher during the war. She thought she heard the sound of a bomb, but her Auntie said that there weren't any bombs round here. However, she was right and it was a bomb that fell on a farmhouse near Shap. Laura Stephenson and Megan Capstick

Karen MacDougall from Penrith Museum

One day someone called Karen MacDougall came to school to talk to us about evacuees. We made a rag rug with a picture of an evacuee on it. We also did some knitting and French knitting. We are still doing the French Knitting. Callum Staley.

Year sixes peer mentor training.

The year sixes went up to the public room to do peer mentoring which is quite good. We have learnt about dangers, why people would be feeling uncomfortable in school, how to help with various different problems and keeping other peoples' problems to ourselves. We made some lists of things that would be quite serious and we would have to take to a teacher and lists of things that we could sort out ourselves. With Judy (our course tutor) we drew a wall of things that might be blocking us and others from happiness. Our latest session with Mrs Sweeting, Mrs Boustead and Mrs Bell was very interesting and we couldn't help a little giggle! We had the magic box full of a lot of things (used in drama club) and the adults all picked out imaginary something they really loved and something imaginary that was bothering them and Year 6 had to find a solution to the problem. Most of the problems we could sort out ourselves and if they got to serious we would turn to the teachers for help. Peer mentoring is where you look after others and it is about being a listening ear to people who need help. We have got cardigans with a smiley face on the back so people know who we are, also our slogan is 'here to help'.

Homework club is also run by one of our helping adults and us on Mondays. It will be running soon to help with people struggling in lessons and for us to hear people read and get better. Bethany and Megan Capstick.

Leanne Cooper work experience

Leanne Cooper from Kirkby Stephen Grammar School came to Ravenstonedale Endowed Primary school for her work experience. She helped with displays, work and even read us a book called *The Twits* by Roald Dahl. She was just here for one week but we enjoyed it and we hope she did too. She is back to school now after five tiring days we just didn't want her to leave. Kodi Elliott and Leanne Huck.

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Forthcoming events Autumn 2009

Friday, November 13th
Quiz Night at the Black Swan 7.30pm

Sunday, November 22nd
St Oswald's Church Service 6.30pm
Exchange of Parish Embroideries

Saturday, December 5th
'Winter Warmers'
West View, Ravenstonedale

Sunday, December 6th
The start of the visit
of the Posada

Wednesday, December 16th
Carols at St Oswald's Church
at 7.30pm

Wednesday, December 23rd
Carols in the Pub
The Black Swan Hotel
7.30pm
Mulled Wine & Mince Pies

QUIZ NIGHT



• Friday 13th
• November,
• 8pm

• At the Black
• Swan Hotel,
• Ravenstonedale

£2 per person In aid of St Oswald's Church,
raffle on the night

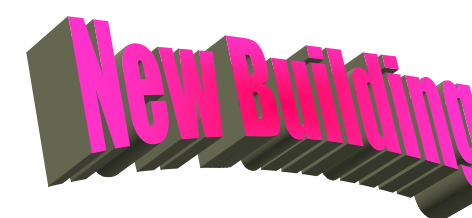
Orton School News

Forestry Club

We have just finished our season of forestry club, it was amazing. We made mallets, stools, whistles, turnip lanterns, cups, bird boxes, tent pegs and one massive bench that has carved on it 'Orton C of E Primary School 09'. Mrs Ayre thinks it's brilliant! We cooked different things over a fire like roast potatoes, pancakes, stewed apples and flapjacks. The best thing was the rope swing and catapult. We are hoping they will come back in February !!!!!

Sports Club

We have started sports club again for Key Stage 2, HOORAH! Mrs Arnold has restarted the most fondly remembered after school club. This term we are doing football and netball. At some point this term we think we will be going to a tournament, to test our skills that we have learnt. By David & Ethan



Harvest

During Harvest, Orton school were thinking about Fair Trade. The Year 6's went on the computer and got lots and lots of information. The Year 5's did an act about Pamfilo the rice farmer who lived in the Philippines, they wrote the words themselves. Year 4 told us the story of Joseph, they all had something to read and all the parents and guardians that came loved it.

The Infants told us about what's good for us and what's healthy and also that God loves us and wants us to love and care for everyone too.

By Bethany and Ellie.

At school we are having a new classroom for class 2. The builders started on Monday the 5th of October, first they dug a big hole with a mechanical digger and they have left a big hill of earth and rocks. Next they got a metal detector to check for pipes and wires, making sure that it was safe to put in the foundations. The following day a large lorry with a rotating cylinder full of concrete was poured into the hole, the builders have to leave it to set. It will be exciting to have a new hall for gymnastics and little games.

By Eleanor and Shona.

Open Day

16th of October Open Day happened. The times were 9:30 and 11:30am and 1:00 and 3:00pm. Lots of parents came to see our school, it was really exciting. Some parents joined in with our work both in the morning and afternoon. We had our stars assembly in the afternoon as usual, and our visitors enjoyed it. It was a really good day. By Lizzie and Michael!!!

Winter Warmers

Soup & Sandwiches

Saturday 5th December 2009

Westview, Ravenstonedale

12-2pm

£6.50 all proceed to church funds

Tickets available from June Ellis,
Margaret Wildman
& Anne Brownrigg

Raffle



Ravenstonedale Endowed Primary School

Paper & Card collection point

This is a reminder that our paper & card collection bin situated by the main gate, can be used by all.

This will not only help the school but it will cut down on our carbon footprint by not having to travel to Kirkby Stephen.

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Ravenstonedale Reunited – Gaddas?

I have seen in the papers the name Gaddas, but as yet we are still looking for leads. A family visited recently and asked about their GADDAS ancestors – can anyone shed light on this?

Please phone Frank on 23638 or email me on frankrdale@yahoo.co.uk

So far we have an advert for “J.P. Laying Meal” – John Parkin of Appleby and he cites two testimonials, one from R.Gaddas -

BRAMPTON APPLEBY,
29th December, 1921.

Dear Sir,

Please send me 3 cwt. of JP Laying Meal by first cart.

We have had abundance of Eggs weekly right from September and the yield is still increasing. It has been my great aim to breed only from the best of Laying Stock and to study the great importance of correct feeding which I am sure has been made quite easy by using your JP Laying Meal daily in their mash. To prove their condition you have only have to remember what my birds did at

Appleby Show, December 1st, every bird winning a place. My whole stock are a pleasure to look at and in the thick of Laying at this season of the year.

R. GADDAS.

This is an example of the search on pdf that Steve is scanning on weekly basis at High Chapel – the database will search on “Gaddas” and find anything that contains that word.

Red Squirrels – don’t forget to continue feeding – new squirrels will forage from other adjacent areas and need to be made welcome. AND we still have some that need to be nurtured.



**Ravenstonedale School
AIR AMBULANCE
COLLECTION**
Wanted:- clothes, shoes
(in pairs), bags, curtains,
Bedding, and (please
keep separate) mobile
phones.

All items will be collected from school at 10 am on Wednesday 25th November so please get them there before then! The school still collects Morrisons “Let’s Grow” Vouchers

Please come and enjoy the CHRISTINGLE SERVICE



**MONDAY DECEMBER 14TH AT 7.00 pm at
RAVENSTONEDALE METHODIST CHAPEL
and support**

SIGHT SAVERS

Which improves the sight of many people in developing countries
and has been supported in the village for many years, originally at
High Chapel and now at Low Chapel –
lets get a bumper collection in 2009

Open House @ High Chapel



We close for our winter break on November 25th, restarting in February 2010.

Business as usual in the meantime, so do join us while you have the chance. We are open every Wednesday morning, 10.30 to 12.00 in the upper room at High Chapel.

For new people in the area – this is **not** a church event, this is a group of villagers who regularly get together to

chat and eat cakes. We are non denominational and aim to provide a chance to network together and catch up on matters old and new. We welcome visitors who pass by, genealogists who want to find their local roots, old friends returning and new friends we are about to meet – it’s about integration and just enjoying each other’s company – come along....

NORTH WESTMORLAND ARTS

Outstanding musicians playing for us here in the Eden Valley

2009/2010 Concert Season

All concerts in Appleby Public Hall at 7:30pm. £8.5/£10. Accompanied children free.
Sun 15th Nov : MAZAIKA Violin & Russian Accordionist/Tenor - *to be confirmed*
Sun 31st Jan : YORKSHIRE IMPERIAL URQUHART TRAVEL BAND
Sun 28th Feb : ANDY JACKSON (Portuguese guitar) & AURORA QUARTET
Sun 28th Mar : NORTHERN SINFONIA Chamber music programme

For Discounted Subscription Tickets contact: Clare Morton tel: 017684 83777
E-mail: Algars2@aol.com Website: www.appleby-concerts.org (under construction)

Supported by Westmorland Arts Trust

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Upper Eden First Responders

The Upper Eden area are now in the process of setting up a first responders team. There is committee in place and names are now being taken for volunteers who would like to train as a first responder.

The role of the responder is to provide emergency first aid and reassurance to victims in the time lag between an ambulance being triggered and the ambulance arrival. This is not a replacement for the ambulance service as the ambulance is still on its way but basic help from a trained volunteer is there to offer support and assistance until the professionals arrive.

The team itself will shortly be beginning fund raising activities in the area as start up funding is needed to purchase 3 Defibrillator machines for the area, one to be based in Ravenstonedale, one in Kirkby Stephen and one at Brough.

If you are interested in joining the responder team or would like to help out with fund raising activities then please contact the team on

admin@upperedenresponders.co.uk

The first responder training session will be held on Tuesday 27th October from 7.30 – 9.30pm at the Kirkby Stephen Mountain Rescue Team base on Soulby road. The training sessions will continue every Tuesday evening for 8 weeks in total, finishing on the 15th December.



Kirkby Stephen Mountain Rescue Team

**Safety on the hills and an introduction to
navigation for hill walking workshop**

Sunday 1st November 2009

Full Day Workshop

At

**Kirkby Stephen Mountain Rescue Base,
Soulby Road, Kirkby Stephen**

Cost £20 – donation to KSMRT

**Booking forms are available from
Kirkby Stephen TIC, the Community &
Council Centre or via email to
projectofficer@uecp.org.uk**

This has been run as an opportunity to experience first class training and advice on 'Safety & Navigation for Hill Walking' The days are being led by KSMRT members and consist of a morning workshop and afternoon practical on the fell. The navigation level is introductory. All fees will go to help with the high costs of running the team.



North West Air Ambulance Aerobathon



On Sunday 13th September, 119 women from Caytie Wightman's Rosemary Conley Diet and Fitness Club took part in a 3 hour fundraising aerobics session. The total raised was £2918, of which I personally raised £486. Thank you to everybody from the parish who sponsored me with generous donations. Kate Lowe.