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Thoughts from High Westmorland

By Rev Beverley Lock

How can you have a faith when all these awful things are happening?
How can you believe in a God when he let children die like that?

How can we?

It is hard. The scale seems so huge and to even try to answer the question so pitiful in the face of such suffering. But wrestling with the question is what we, as human being, do.

In a way, for me, the fact that we ask that question proves to me that there is a little bit of God in each of us.
I mean – the Bible says, “God is love, and those who live in love live in God and God lives in them”
(1 John 4: 16)

If we are no more than other animals like rabbits or wild cats or what ever, who cared only for our own survival, why would we worry what happened to the victims of natural disaster in Japan or citizens of the countries

of the Middle East? It is not to our advantage in terms of survival, or even furthering the well being of our family, to care.

Instead I see people showing tremendous empathy and care for those in distress. People pray, they give of their money. Some are able to do a lot more in that they can go and work to bring relief to those who have been stricken.

People care and when they do they express themselves; showing others the very best side of being human.
When I see this I see humans being the best they can be. This is what I recognise as the image of God in those around me and that makes me feel the whole thing is not hope-less.

It is not the whole answer. There are questions, lots of questions, we want to ask.
“why”, “its not fair” and “how come the poor and powerless suffer more than the rich and



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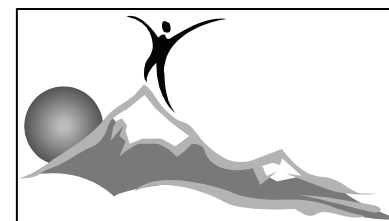
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powerful?” in the fact that we have this sense that it is not right – there is injustice here - perhaps too in these questions God is at work.

If humans had never seen there was a problem – then none of our greatest achievements would ever have happened. If humans had not seen there was an injustice then we would never strive for a better world.

God wants us as Partners not puppets. It is the God - sent feeling that this is “not right” that will motivate us to change things. That is our hope for a better world

Easter Day SONRISE SERVICE 6.00 a.m.



As usual the local churches between Shap, Tebay, Orton, Ravenstonedale and Appleby are sharing in a short open-air service to greet the risen Lord Jesus on Easter morning.

So set your alarm! Because Easter is so late this year, sunrise is early – 6 a.m. Wrap up warm, and come out to Raise Howe on the east side of Orton Scar (just above the cattle grid on the way down to Appleby). And pass the word around to Christians from all churches.

Appleby Town Band will be there to accompany the hymns, and the service is being organised by the Revd. Phil Rigby and one of the Heart of Eden (Appleby) Anglican team will speak.

Rev. Christopher Jenkin

Holy Week in our Parishes

Maundy Thursday

Sedar Meals:	Bampton	6.00pm
	Orton	7.00pm

Good Friday

Bampton	10.00am	Liturgy of the Day
Orton	10.00 am	Reflective service
Shap	12.00am	start at St. Michael's Shap
		Good Friday walk to Shap
		Abbey and Keld Chapel.
		And return

Easter Sat.

Orton	2.45pm	Children's activities
	4.00pm	Service of Light
Bampton	4.00pm	Service of Light
Shap	6.00pm	Service of Light

Easter Sunday

Orton	10.30am	Holy Communion
Tebay	11.15am	Holy Communion
Ravenstonedale	10.00am	Holy Communion
Shap	11.00am	Praise
Bampton	9.15am	Holy Communion

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Notes from The Herald, April 1911

Weather cold find and dry; wetter at the end of the month. At Easter (9th) a lot of people came and the cars caused much dust. The first swallow arrived on 17th and the first corncrake on 16th. Greenholme's old road to Tebay is impassable for school pupils; Railway to clear it says Tebay Parish Council. Orton Died at High Shaws on 17th, Hannah Robinson aged 86. Tebay is to hold a public meeting on how to celebrate the Coronation. The Parish Council wants the District Council to put a footbridge over the ford of the road from Roundthwaite to Low Lane to help Bretherdale folk etc. get to Tebay and no use the railway as a short-cut route. Tebay is to have a Cricket Club (Dr. Gibson and Dr. Graham) to be two of it's vice-presidents. A public meeting held on Tuesday, 28th February (Vicar in Chair) agreed to start it. Arson on Tebay Fells on Sunday afternoon, 9th, when there was a strong north wind caused much grass to be burnt. Annual Vestry meeting on Thursday 20th to elect officers. The Vicar thanked the parish for "loyal support". The Church held three Communion services at Easter and the Te Deum was sung at Evensong. The Primitive Methodists Sunday School held a concert on Good Friday evening. Tebay's Railway Mission held a lantern lecture on railway history on 26th in the Assembly Hall. The Girls' Friendly Society's Tebay Branch are to have a Sale of Work and Concert on Tuesday, 2nd May. Late April the Lune was very low but good fishing was had. Died at Tebay on 2nd, Mary wife of George Atkinson, at High Cocklake on 10th, William Lowis 75. In the second week Mr. Thomas S. Capstick, Cross Keys Hotel died. He had heart trouble and had fallen off a haystack two days before – he was a cricketer, footballer and athlete in his youth and worked in the Railway Clearing House till he succeeded his father at the Cross Keys. He was 45. Ravenstonedale Thomas Bainbridge, a carter for Kirkby Stephen Co-op was killed at work; his family sued for compensation and won. The Co-op to pay them weekly sums each. The Congregational Church's annual tea-party was held on Good Friday; more than usual were there. A lot more were at Church too at Easter; each pupil of Ravenstonedale Endowed School received an orange from the Metcalfe-Gibsons (Elm Lodge).

Newbiggin-on-Lune Church's branch of the C of E Mens' Society met on Maundy Thursday.

Joke
A lady went away for a week leaving a note on the step for her usual callers "Don't leave anything". On her return she found the house burgled and a further note, "Thanks, we haven't".

Many thanks to Jeremy Godwin for the notes.

Tebay and Orton Local Distinctiveness Project - Update

Annie continues to work with the Friends of Tebay church group, helping them to look into ways of developing the vestry as a community arts and exhibition space. She is also supporting other local groups with their projects:

Lunesdale Archaeology Society (LAS) Launched:
This new group have so far undertaken a walk around the landscape of Gamelands stone circle and carried out hands on research and analysis of pottery and flint tools found in the area. LAS are looking for members, annual membership is £8. The group will be holding their first AGM at 7.30pm, on Tuesday 19th April in The Green Room, Shap Memorial Hall (Entrance to the left



LAS outing: photo with thanks to John Howard Jones

of the main hall). Following the AGM, at 8pm, there will be a talk by Cumbrian archaeologist Peter Style: 'Mountains of Meaning? The significance and use of the Cumbrian mountains in the Neolithic and early Bronze Age'.

Entrance for the talk is free to LAS members or £2 for non-members to attend.

'Local Tourism Business' event a huge success:
The Local Tourism Business networking event, held in February in Tebay, was well attended by representatives from over 20 local tourism businesses. Sally Hemsley and Jessica Goodfellow from Eden Tourism discussed with the group, the possibility of producing a 'Visit Tebay and Orton' local Tourism Information leaflet for the area, to promote local tourism businesses in the area.

Following coffee and a guided tour of the facilities at The Cross Keys Inn, the group heard from Claire Watters from ACTION with Communities in Cumbria about recent advances in web-page communications. A visit to the 'Tebay in Steam' exhibition at St James Church, included talks from: Church warden, Reg Capstick about the history of the building; Len Clark about Tebay Angling Club, and David Wilkinson from the Friends of Tebay Church, about the plans to develop the vestry to provide facilities for community use. The day also included a guided tour of the wheelchair accessible facilities at Primrose Cottage self catering and B&B and a wonderful networking lunch at The Old School Tea Room where everyone agreed they had the best afternoon tea in Cumbria! Thank you to all who made the day so memorable.

The next event will focus on Orton and the surrounding area, and the group will collate the information needed to produce the tourism leaflet. (Date and venue to be confirmed, please contact Annie if you would like more information)

If you have any ideas or information that could be used to investigate and promote the heritage of the local area please contact Annie, she would love to hear about any project ideas on subjects such as local farming heritage. Contact Annie Hamilton-Gibney at: ACT, The Old Stables, Redhills, Penrith, Cumbria CA11 0DT, Email: annieh-g@cumbriaaction.org.uk or Tel: 01768 869517 / 01768840827

Information about the upcoming projects will be available on our web page: www.cumbriaaction.org.uk/projects/distinctiveness



The View from Tebay

by Reg Capstick,
Licensed Reader.

As we enter the season of Lent, which leads up to the great Festival of Easter, those of us connected with the church look forward to a busy time. Lent is a period of preparation and is often linked with the idea of giving up something we enjoy, such as eating chocolate or other treats. As I do not eat chocolate, have never smoked nor do I drink alcohol these days I have little to give up, so I do the other suggested thing. I give, rather than giving up; increasing my regular giving to various good causes. What usually happens is that at the end of Lent I do not cut down on giving, so that the good causes continue to benefit.

Life in the village goes on at the usual hectic pace, with events at the Chapel and the Club as well as at St James’ being planned, organised and enjoyed by people from other parishes as well as Tebay residents, I am involved in many of them, if only as a participant, but I also have responsibilities outside Tebay at this time of the year. As Vice-Chairman of Westmorland FA I am involved in the end of season cup competitions as well as travelling away with the County’s Under 18 representative side. We had a good trip to Cheshire the other week, playing in Ellesmere Port, and it was much colder there than at home that day - honestly! Local football finals are coming up in April and I will be on duty for most of them, presenting the trophy at the Junior Cup Final.

I continue to enjoy the monthly Eden Age Concern lunch at the Tea Room but unfortunately one regular luncher will no longer be with us. Frances Metcalfe was a delightful lady and will be sadly missed. The respect in which people held her was shown by the crowded Chapel at her funeral.

On a happier note, the Slide Show in church on Thursday 3 March was an excellent evening of entertainment and nostalgia. David Aspden’s slides of Tebay’s railway pomp brought back memories of

steam to me and many other people, while Len Clark’s commentary brought vividly to life those days when the railway was such an integral part of our community. One thing which struck me was how much must have been wasted when locomotives took up water from the troughs just south of Tebay Station and one memory which was revived in my mind was of how cold and wet it could be crossing the footbridge to reach the down platform in winter. Anybody who did not attend the evening’s entertainment missed a real treat.

A special service took place the day after the slide show to celebrate Women’s World Day of Prayer, which this year was inspired by Chilean women. Women and men from churches and chapels in our parishes took part in an inspiring service and the visiting preacher was Barbara Capstick from Chester, who has preached at St James’ before and who gave a suitably thoughtful message.

A few weeks ago the church hosted a "Welcome to St James’ seminar, from which several ideas emerged to enhance the experience of visiting the building. One, in particular, was to make entering the porch more pleasing by removing an old, decrepit notice board and replacing it with something smarter. There is now a new shelf and a "Welcome" banner along with a small display of flowers. Little touches of this sort undoubtedly enhance the appearance of the church and we intend to add to this as time goes on. The exterior of the building has also been improved by having the gutters and downpipes cleared out and the path cleared of leaves and debris. Much of this work has been done by members of a new group being set up under the name of "Friends of Tebay Church", mainly composed of non-churchgoers but having the church’s interests at heart as a significant part of village life, and who are in the process of sorting out a legal constitution.

As always we are mounting a special exhibition on the first weekend in May but this year’s will be a bit different, hopefully appealing to young and old alike. It

coincides with a wedding taking place in London about that time, so I am informed, and on the Thursday evening prior to the May weekend there will be a display of wedding fashions with live models. Wine and "nibbles", whatever they are, will be available. During the weekend wedding dresses will be displayed on mannequins, along with other memorabilia, as well as enhancement of "Tebay in Steam". Delicious cream teas will be served by church members, assisted by some of the "Friends" so we hope to make the weekend attractive to as many people as possible. Please keep your eyes open for further information about these events.

As you can see there is a lot going on at present in and around St James’ Church

District Council News

I attended a briefing meeting last night regarding sharing services with another authority in order to save money and avoid duplicating services. The council, in all its wisdom, voted against sharing services with South Lakeland District Council over a year ago despite our group voting for it. We felt that so much money could have been saved by doing this at this stage and the idea seemed to have the backing of Eden District Council's staff.

A year on, we are now in the same position and now considering sharing with either South Lakeland or Carlisle City Council, both of whom seem keen. We are one of the smallest councils in the country and have been assured that we would not be a junior partner. Our leader, Gordon Nicholson, also assures us that any decision would not be political although Carlisle is predominantly Conservative and South Lakeland is Liberal Democrat.

At last Eden District are seriously looking into this after so much time wasting and it seems that the decision will be made as soon as possible with perhaps a vote at the next council meeting in April. Watch this space.



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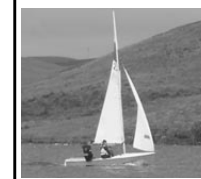
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With wine and nibbles included, join us for an
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7.30pm

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Newbiggin-on-Lune

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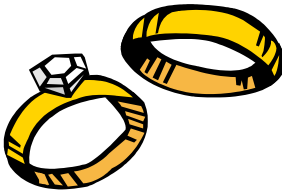
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 We will be open on Tuesday 19th April, Thursday 28th April and Thursday 5th May.

TEBAY SURGERY

Surgery will be closed on Friday 22nd April and Friday 29th April.
 We will be open on Wednesday 20th April, Wednesday 27th April and back to normal week commencing 2nd May.

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Tebay Community Primary School News

Dynamic Dancing!

As the new half term started, we welcomed Albi back to our school. Albi is an experienced dance teacher, from London, who works with energetic enthusiasm throughout the school, culminating in a display of dance on the second day.

Gymnastics Success

After weeks of preparation in a Gymnastics Club, eleven upper and lower juniors went to take part in the Key Steps Gymnastics Competition at Kirkby Stephen grammar School. The atmosphere was warm and friendly and the children greatly enjoyed their morning...especially when the results were announced and they had come first!



Winter Warmer

With the generous support of "Westmorland Ltd" supplying the bacon and the "Taste of the Lakes" supplying the sausages, Friends of Tebay School initiated a new fund raising event: soup, butty and cake. The busy munching and friendly chatting of supportive people enabled FoTS to raise over £300. Thank you to all involved.



Space everywhere!

Whilst the oldest children are continuing with a topic on Ancient Greece, the youngest members of the school enjoyed pancake celebrations and are getting into space!



Do you enjoy reading? Do you have an odd spare half hour?

We would really like to have adults who could regularly sit with children and discuss books and hear them read.

If you have a regular odd half an hour and could come in (just after lunch at 1:00 is great) please let us know.

Environment Club

Most Tuesday's in school an Environment Club takes place, thanks to the Askew's enthusiasm. The children have studied many environmental issues and grow their own food for school. Recently whilst looking at Fair-trade, the Club members performed a script about "Fat Cat" business men who take all the profits for themselves.



Beautiful bulbs

The Rotary Club came and gave a talk about polio...and admired the crocuses that had been planted in the autumn. The purple flowers cheer up any wintery day.

Newbiggin-on-Lune

Newbiggin-on-Lune Methodist Chapel

The severe weather of December 2010 through January 2011 seems a good way off now as signs of spring begin to show all around us.

However the legacy of those harsh frosts and low temperatures for us at Newbiggin-on-Lune Methodist Chapel has been burst pipes and radiators plus resulting damage to carpets etc. This has meant a complete new heating system needed to be installed. Work for this is now well under way and we hope by the time of our Chapel Anniversary on Easter Weekend April 23rd and 24th things will be completed. Our Chapel is well used by different groups and has an active Youth Club and Parents and Toddlers, meeting regularly on the premises as well as weekly Sunday Worship and Sunday School.

We are most grateful to the insurers who have looked on our predicament favourably-however as there will still be a shortfall to make up we are looking to our Anniversary not only as a celebration but also one of Thanks Giving. Everyone is most welcome to join us on either Saturday at 7.30pm or on Sunday at 2pm or 6.30pm. If you are not able to share with us, but feel you would like to contribute in any way please contact Wilf Capstick on 23600 or George Boustead on 23608

Newbiggin-on-Lune

Chapel Anniversary Celebrations

April 23rd and 24th

Saturday April 23rd at 7.30pm

Special Visit of Simple Harmony from Snape

Followed by supper

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Sunday April 24th at 2pm Rev Richard Teal
(District Chairman)

6.30pm Rev Bill Riley

Soloist at both services Mrs Claire Green

Everyone is welcome

Lune Ladies

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ALSO OUR THANKS GOES TO KAREN GREENWOOD WHO CAME TO GIVE US A TALK ON FORENSIC SCIENCE, KAREN IS A LECTURER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CUMBRIA AND CERTAINLY KNOWS HER SUBJECT, WE SAT SPELLBOUND THROUGHOUT HER TALK.

APRIL 6TH IS OUR LAST INDOOR MEETING, AND WE HAVE JAN HARKER COMING TO TALK TO US ABOUT TRAINING PUPPIES TO BECOME GUIDE DOGS FOR THE BLIND.

APRIL 13TH AT 7PM WE ARE HAVING A PLANNING MEETING AT CAROL'S, SO PLEASE COME WITH YOUR IDEAS FOR SUMMER OUTINGS, AND YOUR THOUGHTS ON TALKS FOR THE WINTER SEASON.

Newbiggin-on-Lune Public Hall

AGM

Monday 14th May 2011
7.30pm

Followed by Committee meeting

Newbiggin-on-Lune Public Hall

Future events for your diary

* April 16th Easter fayre - cancelled

* Sat 25th June Cream teas and Treasure hunt

- October 29th Childrens disco and wine & savouries

- * November Flower arranging demonstration.

Ravenstonedale

Shrove Tuesday Lunch

A wonderful range of warm soups and tasty pancakes greeted the visitor to Flass on a cold and windy day. Lots of people came and over £600 was raised towards St Oswald's Church general funds. Our very grateful thanks to Chris & Ann Metcalfe-Gibson for organising such an excellent and enjoyable event, to all their helpers and to all of you who supported us so generously.

C.A.M.

Red Squirrels!



Glad to report that reds are around the whole village again, even as far as Chantry Lodge. I still have feeder boxes priced at £5, which leaves money enough to fill it with Hazel Nuts. **Give them a treat** – they will be nursing kittens soon...
Frank 23638 or
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Au Revoir! To Jean Mawson of Rocklyn Cottage



Jean has now moved to Alston, **Grisedale Croft, Church Road,
Alston, Cumbria CA9 3QS. Phone: 01434 381221**

Photo is a younger Jean with Fred, her husband on an obviously happy occasion.

Poem

Pressed flowers in Bible pages
"First prize, Jean Fletcher 1937"
Rose, yellow rattle, faded-faintly
Remembered?

Forthcoming events

Through the year 2011

Tuesday, April 12th

Local History monthly meeting at High Chapel

Friday, April 29th

The Chantry-Celebratory
Afternoon Tea
Friends of St Oswald's

Sunday, May 8th

Rogation Service at
Manor House. Children
please bring your pets along.

Saturday, May 14th

Cobwebs Promenade Concert
Black Swan Hotel garden

Saturday, June 18th

Barbecue & Fete

Elm Lodge, Ravenstonedale

Sunday, August 7th

St Oswald's Patronal Festival

Saturday, September 24th

Cobwebs Baroque Concert

St Oswald's Church

October 9th Sunday

Harvest Festival Lunch

November 27th Advent Sunday

Exchange of Embroideries Service.

December 14th Wednesday

Carol Service-St Oswald's Church

December 19th Monday

Carols in the Pub-Black Swan

Orton

Orton and Tebay Local History Society.

Orton & Tebay Local History Society met in Orton Market Hall, on Monday 21st February. Chairman, Bernard Thornborrow welcomed everyone, and outlined plans for the next few months. Including visits to Crosby Garrett and Ravenstonedale, and a planned Day Trip in September to Beamish.

The speaker for the evening was Annie Hamilton-Gibney, who is working through ACT, on a Tebay & Orton Distinctiveness Project. Annie outlined her work to date within the two communities, which has included a tourism conference, work with the Tebay Church Steam Exhibition and an ongoing scheme to gather together old photographs of our farming heritage and transport.

By training an Archaeologist, Annie has run one archaeology workshop, and led a field walk, which produced a number of very interesting finds. Evidence of late Neolithic and early Bronze Age people living in the Orton area was discovered, by finds of pieces of tools. Also a piece of pitch stone was discovered, which is only found on the Isle of Arran, and this has led to evidence of widespread travel even in these early eras. The finds have been displayed and Annie has taken them to Orton school.

Plans are in hand to form a local Archaeological Group, which will be separate from the History Society, but the two groups will share information. It will most likely be called the Lune or Lunesdale Archaeological Society.

Annie explained that Archaeology is basically 'what people leave behind'. This can take many forms including stone circles, walls, foundations, pottery, coins etc. War Time sites like pill boxes and gun emplacements, are now classified as archaeology.

There was a discussion regarding metal detecting, its value and drawbacks. It was agreed that responsible detectorists, who report finds and don't damage sites are a valuable aid to finding lost artefacts, but in view of the many irresponsible people with a detector, it would be better if the whole hobby was better regulated and licensed.

The Portable Finds Officer, for Cumbria was also present, and she explained what is classified as 'treasure trove', and how to have items dated. She also said how sad it was that the unique Roman Helmet, found recently and sold for a huge amount, was not available for display in Cumbria.

Annie was thanked for a very interesting talk by the Chairman, and refreshments were served. The next meeting will be the AGM on 24th March at Tebay Chapel, when Reg Capstick will be speaking about the history of Tebay.



Orton C of E Primary School

Invitation to our Royal Wedding Celebrations



The children, staff and Friends of Orton School would like you to come and help them celebrate the forthcoming wedding of Prince William and Kate Middleton



On Thursday 28th April at 11.30am – 2.30pm



There will be a 'party lunch' at 12.05pm

Dress up as a Prince/Princess, Bride/Groom or something patriotic (red/white/blue). Anyone not dressing up will be fined!

Prizes for the best dressed.



Games, community singing and entertainment/dancing are all to be confirmed.

Everyone welcome!

Display of wedding photographs

If you are willing to lend us one of your wedding photos, please also ask other family members (parents/grandparents/brothers/sisters etc). They can be handed in at the school office or Orton Post Office (Please label with names and date)

FRIENDS OF ORTON SCHOOL RECENT FUNDRAISING EVENTS

February – Swimathon raised £288.50
(the 2 teams did a combined total of 175 lengths in 50 minutes)

March – Sponsored walk so far has raised £387
March – cake stall in church raised £212

Thank you to everyone who took part, baked and helped at the above events

Tebay & Orton WI

invite members and friends to another of our popular

Rummikub Days

, on Wednesday 4th May, 10.30 - 3pm.

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April 18th ORTON SCRIBBLERS OPEN MEETING

at Orton Market Hall with guest speakers Brett Evans and Phil Robertson. "A Year in the Life of a Literary Magazine." The Co-Editors of PROLE Magazine talk about the highs and lows of its first year of existence, and share some of their favourite pieces. 7.30pm. £3 at the door.

The Scribblers meet on the 2nd Monday of each month at Mill House, Orton, at 7.30pm. Tel 24266 for directions.

Orton

Orton and Tebay Local History Society:

Forthcoming meetings:-

Thursday 14th April at Orton Market Hall: "Local Myths & Legends" with Alan Cleaver at 7.30pm

Thursday May 12th : Visit to Crosby Garret Church & Village led by Ian Allonby - meet at the church at 7pm

Thursday June 16th: Visit to High Chapel, Ravenstonedale - meet at High Chapel at 7pm.

Monday July 11th: "The History of Tarn Pasture" by Judy Dunford at Tebay methodists Church at 7.30pm

September we hope to have a day trip to Beamish - details to be announced but please indicate your interest to Wendy.

Please put these dates in your diary even if there are not full details of arrangements.

Visitors are always welcome at any of our meetings at a charge of £2. per person.

Although we had our AGM and renewal of annual subscriptions in March this does not stop anyone joining as a member at any time in the year.

Our annual subscription remains at £5. per person - so if you are a regular visitor it will probably better for you to join as a member!!

Membership enquiries contact Mary Jenkin: 015396 24410

Further information contact Wendy Higgins: 015396 24780

Visit our website
www.otlhs.ukme.com

Lent devotional services

These are on
Wednesdays
7.30pm
All Saints' Church

Everyone welcome

REMINDER SCARE-CROW COMPETITION 2011.

We hope you've been thinking about your entries for this year's Scarecrow Competition. Remember this years theme is 'Childhood' in line with the Church Exhibition, which will be held on the weekend of 28th - 30th MAY. The subject lends itself to many interpretations, 'schooldays' 'playtime' 'famous children' 'toys' etc. the list is as long as your imagination.

The Committee will be sorting out entry forms soon, which will be coming through your doors, or can be obtained at Orton Shop.

As before, there will be THREE classes:-

1. The General Senior Scarecrow Competition
 2. A Scarecrow Competition for children of Primary School age.
 3. A 'Window Scarecrow' to be no larger than 14inches, which must be handmade. (Entries can be made in all classes, 1 & 2 and 3).
- Scarecrows will need to be displayed within the village perimeter, so those who have no front garden or who live outside the village can display their Scarecrows on one of the many grass verges. This will concentrate the Scarecrows for a better display, and make judging and the awarding of prizes fairer and easier. Scarecrows displayed outside this area, will not be put on the map, and not judged.

Timetable:-

Entry forms to be returned by Thursday 19th May. PLEASE NOTE LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED as the judging maps will already have been printed. Completed forms can be left at the Shop, or handed to Jackie Huck, Dot Coates, Wendy Higgins or Marion Robinson.

Scarecrows to be displayed sometime on Friday 27th May.

Judging will take place over the weekend, and finish by 5pm on Monday 30th. Completed forms to be returned to The Church.

Prize winners will be announced, prizes given out and lists posted on Tuesday 31st MAY.

So come on, thinking caps on, and lets have a bumper display this year.
Best wishes Jackie Huck

highlights rural touring scheme

A Thousand Cranes come to Orton

In Japan it is said that if you fold a thousand paper cranes your wish will come true.

A Thousand Cranes are bringing their Paper Washi Wish show for children to Orton Hall in April as part of the Highlights Rural Touring Scheme's Spring season.

The show combines traditional Japanese storytelling with Kamishibai (paper theatre) and includes a hands-on workshop for young children and their parents to make paper themselves as part of the performance.

Ideal for under 6s, The Paper Washi Wish is the story of rabbit, who lives on the moon with the Moon Goddess but goes missing during a party game of hide and seek. It is inspired by stories from Japan and Europe and is told in a visual, vibrant and physical style.

"All the reports ahead of this performance say that it is a magical show and it should make an ideal afternoon out for younger families during the Easter holidays," said Sally Seed, the local volunteer promoter. "We try to bring a mix of performances to Orton as part of the Highlights season and previous children's shows have been very popular. Everything is included in the ticket price - show, workshop and refreshments - so Orton Market Hall hopes that local families will come along and enjoy an unusual and memorable afternoon."

Tickets are available now from Orton Village Stores and Post Office or from Sally Seed (24732, sally.seed@btconnect.com) priced £7, £4 for children and £18 for a family ticket (suitable for 2-6s). The Friday 15 April. performance begins at 2.00pm on

Ravenstonedale

Ravenstonedale Parish History Group

**Ravenstonedale High Chapel Room
Tuesday, April 12th 2011
7.30pm.**

Farming in the parish c.1900-1950. Illustrated Talk by Dr Helga Frankland

All welcome

Donations towards
Ravenstonedale Parish History Group
much appreciated

(Weekly History Meetings
on Thursday afternoons from 2pm-4pm)

Ravenstonedale School PTFA

Forthcoming events for your diary:-

Easter Egg Hunt

Saturday 9th April

Look out for posters for full details!

Auction of Promises and supper

Saturday May 14th

Full details on the Poster!

Litter

Since temporarily ie two years, having my daughter and her families dog to take care of, I have been walking the highways and byways of Orton and surrounding area regularly. I have noticed in my wanderings the very sad sight of the litter spoiling our verges.

Once I have picked up the offending items it seems to take a while before it starts to appear again but if it is left unattended it seems to breed, multiplying at an alarming rate.

I wonder how other members of the community feel about this and if they think by taking a pro-active approach we can limit this problem.

Anne (Weston)

To celebrate the Royal Wedding

A Very Special Afternoon Tea

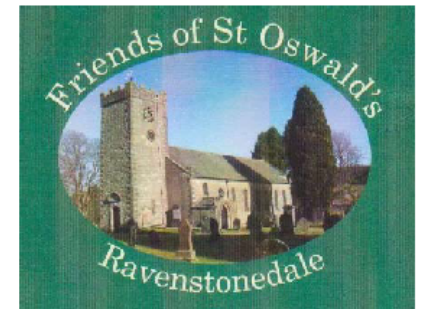
at The Chantry, Ravenstonedale

Friday, 29 April. 2.30 to 5.00

Admission by ticket only £10.00

Available from Black Swan Shop
or telephone 015396 23468/415

All proceeds to



Appleby Embroiderers Guild

Next meeting Tuesday 5th April
7.30 pm, Guide Hut, Appleby
Beading swap and 'Make and Take' event
All welcome
For more details please ring
017683-51449

Kirkby Stephen Swimming Pool

The outdoor, heated swimming pool will be re opening again from the summer season from Monday 6th June. The opening times are

Monday 4-6pm
Wednesday 4-6pm
Friday 4-6pm

Adult only session 6-7pm on Friday.

The pool is also available for private hire sessions for £35/hr, which includes a lifeguard for the session.

Membership costs
Junior £20
Adult £25
Family £45
non members are also welcome.

This is a community facility which is run by volunteers and your support is greatly needed to maintain the facility. If you think that you are able to offer some time to volunteer to help run the facility then please call Hayley Chapman on 017683 71391

Ravenstonedale Endowed Primary School

March 2011

OFSTED

On the 8th of March we had a visit from Ofsted which lasted 2 days, during that time the Ofsted inspector looked all round the school watching us get taught and looking at our work.

Arts Week.

Sometime in February, we had our arts week where people from different countries visit us and tell us a bit about that country.

Monday: Kate from Japan
She taught us how to do Japanese drawings.

She was actually from barrow but had been to Japan loads of times.

Tuesday: Mohammond Sayra (or something)
From India

He showed us how to play Indian music and

Also did a drum-thing solo for about ten minutes.

Thursday: Steve from Australia
He showed us how to do tricks with our toothbrush.

Friday: Oran from somewhere
He showed us how to do pro photos.
Class Two

Table Tennis Club with Mrs Oram.

On a Monday after school, Mrs Oram does a club from 3:30 – 4:30, called Table Tennis club.

At table tennis club we always have a competition at the end (about 4:15) and in the last two weeks, this is who has been in the finals (best of 3)

Week 1:

Jack (me) vs. Matthew (Ousby) WINNER: Jack|SCORE: 2-1

Week 2:

Jack (me) vs. Kian WINNER: Jack|SCORE: 2-1

So far I've won all (both) of them 2-1!

We also play games against each other, first to 11. But if the score gets to 10-10 the winner has to win with 12, because the winner has to win by at least 2 points.

Everyone there likes doing it and says they enjoy it.

Map it club by Nathan Bolton

Mrs Hutchinson runs this club. You learn how to read a map, use a compass to find your way, and what you need to do to go camping.

When we went to Warcop we went on a bus and it took about 25 minutes to get there and the same to get back! When we got there we did some work with the Warcop children about healthy eating. We went on the life education bus.

We also got to play with the Warcop children and me and my friends played football. We finished off with a lesson in Class 3.

Matthew Ousby
Year 4

THE FELT MAN

In January we had a man come in to show us how to make pictures out of felt, we had to start from scratch to create it and it would be hung in our entrance hall for everyone to see. The outside edge was made by weaving different coloured threads together, and the middle was the felt, class 1 and 2 both took part in making it, we hope you like it when you see it.

Orton

Orton Farmers' Markets

The next three of these popular markets will be:

April 9th
when Paul Dunford will provide live music in Church on a

Theremin

What is it?
Come and find out!

May 14th
June 11th

Join us in Church for refreshments, bargains and a friendly chat.
In March we raised £573 to help us continue God's work at All Saints.

Many thanks for your continued support.

School Cleaner

Required A.S.A.P
16 hours per week term time plus 64 hours holiday cleaning
Salary £12145 pro rata
Please contact: The school office
015396 24268 or
admin@orton.cumbria.sch.uk

For further details.

Mothering Sunday

3rd April



Special Joint Service
of
Family Communion
in
All Saints' Church
10.30am

followed by refreshments.

Orton Mothers' Union

Our next meeting will be
Tuesday 5th April, 2pm
in
All Saints' Church

Holy Communion
with Revd Beverley

followed by
Bring & Share Lunch
in the vicarage

Come and join us.

Orton Church Gift Day and Exhibition 28th, 29th & 30th May.

This year's theme will be

CHILDHOOD

We would like ideas and help from as many people as possible to help create a memorable display for this year's event. Everyone has different memories but they are all special to each and every one of us.

What memories can you recall, playing conkers, playing in the beck? Can you "rebuild some of

your memories in our **exhibition**? You may have old photographs from **childhood** days that you could display. We would like to have a "**guess who**" wall, can we use an early photograph of you? We have models and part bodies so contributions of any childhood uniforms would be most welcome, school, girl guides, boy scouts or any others would be most welcome.

All ideas and offers of help to Angela Milburn,
Tel. 24382

Orton C of E School News

Sponsored walk

On Saturday the 5th of March Orton School had a sponsored walk. It was to raise money for years 3 and 4 plus years 5 and 6 residentials. The route was the same as last year but it was equally fun. When we got back there was tea and cake waiting for us. The cakes were lovely and everyone was grateful. By Ellie and Morgan

GYMNASTICS

On the 10th of March some of us went to the Key Steps Gymnastics Festival at Kirby Stephen Grammar School. We went in the CCT mini-bus, two of us also went in Mrs Green’s car. When we got there we had a warm up, then we got started. When we had finished, Mrs McWhirter told us the results. Amazingly, we came first in key step 1. We were third in key steps 2 and 3 and we were all very happy. After that we had lunch and headed back to school to tell others the great news.

By Archie Graham and Eleanor.

cake stall

The cake stall was on Saturday the 12th of March at the church in Orton. The cake stall went extremely well. We sold all our tasty cakes. Lots of people came to buy the cakes we made at home. It was brilliant to see all the people who were there. By Emma, Dean and Joshua.

Fair Trade Fortnight

At Orton school we celebrated Fair Trade fortnight. We had food like chocolate, flapjack and fruit. They were all yummy. Also we wrote on banners. The teachers put out jigsaws, quizzes and also colouring sheets for us to do. It was set out amazingly. By Hayley C

Multicultural Arts Week

On Thursday of our Multicultural Arts Week we had some people who did Asian music wit us but on Friday we did some Chinese calligraphy. Also we did some Chinese dancing with a friendly, woman called Apple Yang. We all danced brilliantly!!! Over all I enjoyed every single second of it.

By Nathaniel and Alexander

World Book Day

On Friday the 4th of March, at Orton School, we had our World Book Day Fancy dress Competition (Which was amazing). There were 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th prizes. In year 6 Alexander got 1st, Bethany got 2nd and Andrew got 3rd. In year 5, Kim got 1st prize, Hayley got 2nd and Lauren got 3rd. In year 4 Emma got 1st, Josh got 2nd, Archie got 3rd and Rachel got 4th. In Year 3 Olivia got 1st, Katie got 2nd and Rowan got 3rd. In year 2, Madeline and Molly got joint 1st and Thomas got 3rd and Harriet got 4th. In Year 1, Josh got 1st, William got 2nd, Kayleigh got 3rd and Brandon got 4th. In Reception, Jenny got 1st, Tom got 2nd and Aaron and Ruben joint 3rd. In Nursery, Lucy got 1st, Carley got 2nd and Isabella and Olivia got joint 3rd. We had such a great time and everybody dressed up magnificently. We absolutely loved everybody’s outfits and we would have loved for everyone to win!!!

By Beth and Shona

Here are the classes for the 2011 show. Full schedules will be available soon. Our new visitors classes are for people who always come to the show but live outside the area or are visiting and want to enter. Show date 11th June, closing date for entries 9th May. Enquiries to Jackie 01539624414

ROUGH FELL SHEEP CLASSES

1. Ewe with lamb at foot
2. Gimmer Shearling with Lamb at foot
3. Gimmer Hogg
4. Tup Hogg
5. Shearling Tup
6. Aged Tup
7. Best female that has not won a prize in classes 1-6
8. Best male that has not won a prize in classes 1-6
9. Society prize for best collection of 3 sheep: 1 Aged Ram, 1 Shearling Ram, 1 Tup Hogg
10. Society prize for the Best Ewe, Best Gimmer Shearling, Best Gimmer Hogg.
11. Best pair of Gimmer Hogs,
12. Prize for Best pair, 1 Male, 1 Female.
13. Society prize for Best Male or Best Female shown in the Breeders hands
14. Best legged in Bone and Colour, Male
15. Best legged in Bone and Colour, Female
16. Best legged in Bone and Colour, Best overall

TEXEL SHEEP CLASSES

(All Texel classes are for Non-Accredited Sheep only)

17. Ewe or Shearling that has reared a lamb this season
18. Gimmer Hogg
19. Tup Hogg
20. Aged Tup
21. Best Shearling Texel Tup
22. Best Texel Tup Lamb
23. Best Texel Gimmer Lamb
24. Best Pair: 1 Male and 1 Female. First £3, reserve £2
25. Best pair Females
26. Best pair Males

ANY OTHER BREED OF SHEEP

27. Any other breed of sheep not listed. Best Female. Ewe or Shearling
28. Any other breed of sheep not listed. Best Male. Aged Tup or Shearling
29. Any other breed of sheep not listed. Gimmer Lamb.
30. Any other breed of sheep not listed. Best Tup Lamb
31. Any other breed of sheep not listed. Best pair of Females
32. Any other breed of sheep not listed. Best Gimmer Hog

HOME PRODUCE

33. 3 Brown Eggs
34. 3 White eggs
35. Best 3 sticks of Rhubarb

GREENHOLME SHOW

CONFECTIONERY

36. 3 White bread rolls
37. Loaf of brown Bread
38. Loaf of white bread made in a bread making machine
39. Rich fruit cake
40. Ginger bread
41. 3 Fruit scones
42. 3 Rock buns
43. Quiche - own choice of filling 6-8 inches
44. 3 Squares Tiffin
45. 3 Almond tartlets
46. 3 Butterfly buns
47. Coffee cake
48. 3 Slices Tray bake (all same)
49. Best Chocolate cake [unfilled, undecorated and made in one tin]
50. Best Chocolate cake [filled, undecorated and made in one tin]
51. Victoria sponge [filled with jam, topped with sieved icing sugar, made in one tin]
52. Novelty cake - to fit on a 10 inch board
53. 3 Cup Cakes
54. Best jar of Blackcurrant jam
55. Individual portion of Sticky Toffee pudding
56. 3 Viennese fingers
57. Best Dish of rum butter
58. 3 Jam tarts
59. Chocolate Swiss roll
60. 3 Oysters [recipe can be found in the Be-Ro book]
61. 3 Anzac biscuits
62. Devils food cake - to set recipe at end of schedule
63. 3 Shortbread biscuits
64. 3 Pieces of Flapjack
65. 3 Brandy snaps [unfilled]

SPECIAL CLASS - MENS BAKING

Australian Crunchy [recipe can be found in the Be-Ro book]

HANDICRAFTS

Made since the 2010 show

67. Edible necklace
68. Decorated wine bottle
69. Knitted garment
70. Homemade souvenir for Royal Wedding
71. Painting - any medium
72. Something made from paperclips
73. Homemade fragrant item - any medium
74. Novelty key ring
75. Royal wedding card
76. Sugar craft - not a cake
77. Any other handicraft - Ladies/Gents
78. Best pot plant - flowering
79. Best pot plant - foliage
80. Homemade cushion cover
81. Royal wedding on a lid - A4 of less
82. Flower Arrangement in an eggcup
83. Cross stitch item (state size on entry)
84. Homemade Rag doll

85. Homemade Dream catcher
86. Short story (no more than 100 words)
87. Decorated shoe
88. Table centre flower arrangement
89. Planted container

PHOTOGRAPHS

Unmounted

- Taken since the 2010 show, 7x5inch or less
90. Any snapshot - Buildings
 91. Any View
 92. Any snapshot of Child/ren
 93. Any snapshot of Sheep
 94. Any snapshot of a Cat
 95. Any other snapshot
 96. Any other snapshot - with a caption
 97. A Collection of 2 photographs 'snow and/or ice'
 98. A Colour Photo - Local scene
 99. Best Action Photo
 100. Best photo of a flower/flowers

CHILDREN'S CLASSES

Under 15 years of age on show day

101. PRE-SCHOOL - A Picture - any medium
102. Edible mouse
103. 3 Sparkly biscuits [biscuits can be bought or homemade]
104. 3 Animal Biscuits
105. 3 Decorated Sponge Buns
106. Robot using sweets and biscuits
107. Photo - Animal/s (age open)
108. Planted container

THE FOLLOWING CLASSES WILL BE DIVIDED INTO SCHOOL YEAR GROUPS. E.G Nursery, Reception, Year 1, Year 2, Year 3, Year 4, Year 5, Year 6. Secondary School up to age 15. PLEASE ENSURE YOU STATE YEAR GROUP WHEN ENTERING.

109. Picture - Any medium
110. Homemade Royal crown
111. Shop in a cereal box
112. Handwriting - Poem
113. Any Handicraft - Girl/Boy
114. Homemade musical instrument made from recycled items
115. Collection of 10 different leaves displayed on a card [not too big please]
116. Something made from cardboard cylinders

Vintage Tractor classes

117. Vintage Tractor
118. Classic Tractor

VISITORS CLASSES

Enter on the day, these classes are not eligible for points or Cups

Adults - please state name on back of entry
3 pieces Fruity flapjack
Royal wedding on a lid [A4 or less]
Any photo [rules apply - see photo class]

Children - please state name and age on back of entry

3 decorated sponge buns
Picture of a sheep - any medium