



# PRESTON VILLAGE NEWSLETTER August 2017

## ATTENTION - Preston needs you!

There's to be a village meeting on 26<sup>th</sup> September in the Village Hall at 7.30pm as the first public step to create a development plan for the parish. This will be **your** chance to give **your** own views on the future, to tell everyone what **you** think would be better if it could be changed and to highlight what **you** feel are the best bits already. If **you** don't come and have **your** say, no one will know what **you** think!

So, keep the date free and make sure **you** make it to the meeting! See **you** there!

### NEWS FROM CHURN BENEFICE

As I write this the sun is shining, just as it did on the afternoon of this year's Preston Village fete. This was our first village fete and so we didn't really know what to expect but we really enjoyed it and we are already looking forward to next year. I would like to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to everyone who helped organise and run the fete this year and to everyone who supported the event. It was amazing the number of people who got involved and reflected a lovely sense of community.

I am not sure how long the sunshine will last; it may even be raining by the time you read this. However, while it lasts, we have been making the most of it by playing in the paddling pool, eating outside and finding a great excuse to have lots of ice creams. One of my favourite things to do in the sun is to close my eyes and allow it to warm my face. The warmth of the sun reminds me of being wrapped in the unconditional love of God, a love that brings to me calm, joy and peace.

I hope you all have a great summer and thank you for making us feel so welcome and at home.

*Revd Jennifer McKenzie - Vicar of The Churnside Benefice*

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**Prayers:** The streets and areas in the Churnside Benefice (South Cerney, Cerney Wick, Siddington and Preston) in our prayers in all our churches during August are Four Acre Park, Furzen Leaze, Gegg Close and Ham Lane. There is a prayer board inside the main door of All Hallows Church for your personal prayer requests, which will be relayed at Morning Prayer daily.

### **PRESTON FETE - A big thankyou!**

It was a beautiful day for Preston Fete, a very happy and successful afternoon. As usual it is impossible for me to thank everyone for their work before, during and after the event, who then leave the garden looking tidier than it had at the start! We also had a lot of support beforehand from absent friends. A very important early morning appointment with the Lions in New Zealand (the White Elephant was already set up at 6.30) and then the opening of the Fete by our new Vicar, the Rev Jennifer McKenzie, made the day stand out from other years. SO, a thousand thanks from us all at Church Farm. **Scilla Chester-Master**

#### **FETE RESULTS!**

Gate (Entrance)	200.90:	Archery	64.00
Books	149.95	Skittles	67.60
Cakes	173.10	Clothes	286.88
Hot Dogs	92.60	Ice-cream	15.00
Lucky Dip	11.00	Milk the Cow	19.50
Plants	138.35	Raffle	785.71
Teas	110.54	Tombola	257.50
Toys	102.12	White Elephant	587.38
Lavender	20.76	Donations	40.00
<b>Grand Total</b>	<b>£3,122.89</b>		

### **PRESTON CHURCH KEY:**

Those who need the Church key to gain access for flowers and cleaning, please call Anne Smith on 640142

### **SIDDINGTON with PRESTON WI**

#### **August 2017**

As usual, there is no meeting for the WI in August.

**Any enquiries:** Please contact Ann on 01285 641469 for more information.



### **VILLAGE & COMMUNITY AGENT INFORMATION - LYNN SAUNDERS**

If you want to find a service that you need, or to contact an agency for help and advice or assistance with accessing DWP for advice, you can reach me on 07776 245 754 or email me at [lynns@villageagent.grcc.org.uk](mailto:lynns@villageagent.grcc.org.uk)

## **PRESTON PARISH COUNCIL**

### **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

Planning application can be viewed on Cotswold District Council's website:

**<https://publicaccess.cotswold.gov.uk/online-applications/>**

### **New Planning Applications**

**17/02334/FUL and 17/02335/LBC Village Farmhouse 78 Preston Cirencester Gloucestershire GL7 5PR**

Extension to existing porch insertion of french doors, internal alterations and erection of garden wall and gates

*Open for Consultation until 10 August 2017*

## **NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN - Update 2**

The Neighbourhood Development Plan Steering Group held a meeting with local landowners on 20 July and will have held its second Committee meeting on Monday, 24 July at 7pm at The Pigeon House by the time that you read this.

Minutes of meetings and all information relating to the development of the Plan are available to view on the Village website: <http://www.prestonpc.org.uk>

Please watch the Village noticeboards and the website for notices about the first public consultation event to be held in early September.

Members of the public are very welcome to attend meetings but asked to register their interest beforehand with the Parish Clerk to ensure that they can be accommodated.

The next Parish Council meeting will be

**THURSDAY, 7 SEPTEMBER 2017 at 7pm in the Village Hall**

***Please watch the noticeboards and the website for further details.***

**CLERK TO THE COUNCIL :** Caroline Braidwood, 77 Pheasant Way, Cirencester, Gloucestershire GL7 1BJ Tel: 01285 380040 Email: [clerk@prestonpc.org.uk](mailto:clerk@prestonpc.org.uk)

### **NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH NEWS**

**Telephone numbers** Real crime 999; Suspected crime 101; Crimestoppers 0800 55541

**EDITOR'S COMMENTS** 'It is with some reluctance that our brilliant Coordinator has had to hang up his boots owing to ill health. We send you an enormous thank you, Bill, for keeping us, not only abreast of reports from the Police of possible local thieving, but also doing it in such a humorous way, I, personally, found that the facts stuck in my mind when I had a little smile at your clever way of passing on information. And I know that many readers found your style very entertaining. Many thanks Bill, from all the village and every good wish for improved health.

*Neighbourhood Watch Team members are:- Rex Canton, Margaret Mortimore, Anne Smith, Dot Warren, Michael Dyson, Andrew Mckechnie and Reg Freyne.*

## VILLAGE HALL

### VILLAGE HALL DIARY

The Art Groups have now finished for the summer and will hopefully be recommencing in September. Anyone who is interested in joining the Art Groups should contact Cathy Lynn on 655325 or [candjlynn@aol.com](mailto:candjlynn@aol.com)

Yoga continues on Wednesday evenings at 6.30pm anyone interested in joining this group should contact Mark at [mark.yogachill@icloud.com](mailto:mark.yogachill@icloud.com)

**Advance notice for the Village Quiz.** This popular event will be on Friday September 8th. See below for details.

#### **Quiz Night 8 September.at 8pm Village Hall**

Cathy Lynn will be running another of her splendid Quiz Nights in the Village Hall at 8 pm on Friday 8th September. Previous ones have been a great success. Put the date in your diary. Make up a team of 4 to 6 people if you can. Refreshments will be provided. Entry, at £5 per person, will be only by pre-ordered ticket. Details will be in the September newsletter.

### **ADVANCED NOTICE - ERITHOKA-UGANDA EVENING - 30<sup>th</sup> September**

Erithoka-Uganda is a community based organisation based in Kasese, West Uganda. The organisation was formed in 2013 and its main focus has been to provide support for children with disabilities.

Between July 2017 and June 2019 its aim is to provide health screening, assistive equipment, scholastic materials and school uniforms for 50 disabled children based in five of the poorest rural schools around Kasese.

To fund this project Erithoka-Uganda needs to raise £1800. Community fundraising in Uganda has raised £160 already - a significant amount given their economy, so UK fundraisers need to raise £1640 to fill the gap.

To this end an Erithoka-Uganda evening has been organised to be held on Saturday, 30 September at 7pm in The Crown, Cerney Wick. There will be wonderful African food and music and an opportunity to hear about the past, present and future of Erithoka-Uganda. Tickets are £10. Please contact Anne Smith, 640142, if you would like to join us in helping disabled children in Uganda.

### **WALK IN THE PARK**

The next walk will be on Thursday 31<sup>ST</sup> August at 10am. Please look out for the email with more details which I will send out nearer the time. Let me know if you want to be included and/or that Thursday is not a good day for you!

Dot Warren Tel: 656105 Email [dotwarren@btinternet.com](mailto:dotwarren@btinternet.com)

### **PRESTON NEWSLETTER AVAILABLE ON PRESTON WEBSITE**

A copy of this Newsletter is available on the village website -

<http://www.prestonpc.org.uk/index.php?id=the-village-newsletter>.

### **EDITOR'S COMMENTS -**

**1** Please let me have text for September by email or in handwriting by Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> August.

Dot Warren - Greystones, Preston; 01285 656105; [dotwarren@btinternet.com](mailto:dotwarren@btinternet.com)

**2** To stop Newsletter delivery to your home OR to receive an e-mail copy, please contact me! *Note - I have realised that I have omitted this note in recent newsletters*

**3** The distribution list of residents' email addresses used for the newsletter is also used for other urgent messages around the village - eg. Neighbourhood Watch.

This distribution list is kept private and all messages are sent out under 'blind copy' (in accordance with The Data Protection Act guidelines) No email addresses on my list that are not already in the public domain are available for public use.

### **CHURCH FLOWER ROTA FOR 2017**

If any new volunteers feel that they could help us to keep our church neat and/or they enjoy flower arranging, please consider joining our group. *Regine Freyne Tel: 655370*

Church Flower and Cleaning Rota 2017		
September	Mrs Mortimore XXXXXXXXXX <b>HARVEST FESTIVAL</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> 10 <sup>th</sup> 17 <sup>th</sup> 24 <sup>th</sup>
October	Mrs Freyne Mrs Miggins/Mrs Thornton XXXXXXXXXX	1 <sup>st</sup> 8 <sup>th</sup> 15 <sup>th</sup> 22 <sup>nd</sup> 29 <sup>th</sup>
November	Mrs Giles/Mrs Spivey XXXXXXX	5 <sup>th</sup> 12 <sup>th</sup> 19 <sup>th</sup> 26 <sup>th</sup>

### **BUBBLE RUSH HITS GLOUCESTERSHIRE**

There's only one chance for families to enjoy the unique experience of Bubble Rush in Gloucestershire this year. Walk, run or toddle through a sea of coloured bubbles, because 'there's no place like foam' ! This unique event takes place on Sunday October 8<sup>th</sup> at the Royal Agricultural University in Cirencester and all monies raised will go to Longfield, supporting people to live well with life-limiting illness. So sign up today at [longfield.org.uk](http://longfield.org.uk) or call 01453 886868 for more details.

**ADVERTISING IN THE NEWSLETTER** Apply to Dot Warren ([dotwarren@btinternet.com](mailto:dotwarren@btinternet.com)) for further information.

CHURCH DIARY AUGUST 2017				Volunteers
SUNDAY	8.00am	Holy Communion	Pr	Mrs Warren/Mrs Cameron
6 <sup>th</sup> August 2017	10.00am	Family Service	Sidd	
<b>8<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>				
SUNDAY	10.00am	Holy Communion	Pr	Mrs Warren/Mrs Cameron
13 <sup>th</sup> August 2017	6.00pm	Songs of Praise	Sidd	
<b>9<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>				
SUNDAY	10.00am	Holy Communion	Sidd	
20 <sup>th</sup> August 2017	6.00pm	Celtic Evening Prayer	Pr	Mrs Stone
<b>10<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>				
SUNDAY	9.30am	Coffee & Church	Pr	Mrs Stone
27 <sup>th</sup> August 2017	10.00am	Morning Praise	Sidd	
<b>11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Trinity</b>				

*All services in the benefice can be viewed on the Churnside Benefice website [www.churnsidechurches.org.uk](http://www.churnsidechurches.org.uk)*