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LETTERS



Dear BN

Parking in Burton

Parking in Burton is becoming a joke around the school, the parish council must do something. When you teach your kids to cross the road you use the green cross code ... not the case in Burton you should never have to walk into the centre of a road before you can see if its safe to cross!

Someone will be run over before long: who will be at fault? The driver who has slowed to drive on the opposite side of the road or the parent and child who are trying to get to car park; or the people who park on both sides of road in front of the village hall and school, and on the corner of Morewood?

Maybe one of the parish councillors can become a crossing guard/lolly pop man/woman - many schools have them. Then they will see the dangerous problem. This must be one of the only schools that has no yellow zigzag lines.

Please do something to help keep our kids safe.

Paul Hamilton, Burton



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WOOF

Thank you to all my friends and family who helped me celebrate my Big Birthday which we held at the Longlands Hotel, and for their generous donations to Burton First Responders. We raised a total of £375 which was fantastic. I would also like to send a belated thanks to all who supported me during and after my recent heart surgery and for the many cards, flowers, gifts and most of all visits.

Anne Woof

CHRISTMAS POST

Burton Pre-school would like to thank those villagers who supported this new fundraiser. We delivered 47 cards in Burton, Clawthorpe and Dalton, raising £11.75. Special thanks to Burton Butchers and the Kings Arms for agreeing to be the locations of the Christmas post boxes, we really appreciate it.

Burton Pre-school Committee

Due to a technical issue there is no Historical Footnote from Roger Bingham this month.

Burton Calendar 2014

The collaboration between the Village Store and the Burton Art & Craft group, in producing the Burton Calendar 2014, was a great success. The calendar was enthusiastically received and the talent of the contributing artists greatly praised. We are delighted to report that the profit from the sales raised £130 for the Burton Memorial Hall fund.



One Final Thank You

On the 30th November we had our final event with the Hoots playing, and with the help of John Long the Auction of Promises was a huge success and raised £3500! So our campaign was finally over. Once again many many thanks to all that supported the campaign from the Post Office, Butchers and Morewood School who photocopied, sold tickets and showed posters, to The Kings Arms who had a money tin and networked us with Cumbria Radio, to all those that donated, liked us on Facebook and attended the events - THANK YOU! The WFA Committee, you know who you are, were so skilled in "getting the job done," I'm really missing your company!

For the first time in a couple of years Alex was able to go down and personally pick his Christmas tree with his family (even though he did lose his wallet on route!) and the lovely email I received from Sandra on Christmas Day after their Christmas Day walk was what the campaign was all about. So thank you for your support.

Emma



Above: Alex enjoying one of many rambles with family & friends in his new Wheels!

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At their January meeting the members of the WI enjoyed very much an interesting and enlightening talk and slide show, given by John Falkingham, on India and Nepal, entitled *A Cultural Experience*. The Competition *An Object from India* was won by Sue Humphries, and Susan Coates won the raffle.

The February meeting will be with Glynis Bland – Photographer, entitled *Capturing your Best Side*, and the competition will be *A Photo of Yourself*.

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PC Observations...

Reporting from the Parish Council meeting

The December meeting had four apologies from Councillors John Brown, Francis Mason-Hornby, Moira Rowley and Brian Cooper (District Councillor). This left six attendees - Mike Taylor (Chairman), Alan Wren (Vice-Chairman), Jane Hopwood, Ian Hunt, George Isherwood and Paul Rogers. The Agenda looked a bit lacking in excitement, but good debates followed as you will see if you read on.

Jane Hopwood made a strong case for the council to lead a Neighbourhood Plan for the village. This was a way to influence the kind of houses (but not the number, and up to 140 new houses are planned for Burton) which could be built and the infrastructure to support housing development. Otherwise developers would just build the houses that would bring them most profit, such as four-bedroom detached courses neglecting the need for cheaper starter homes, proper parking, adequate pathways etc. The alternative was to encourage a villager-led community plan, which has more of a wish-list feel about it and could be easily ignored. The point was made that Burtonians are not great in voicing or acting upon ideas to safeguard their village and a community-led plan was unlikely to get

off the ground. At least the PC could try and represent village interests and take a lead in doing so. Doubts were expressed about who would drive this from within the council and what outcomes could realistically be achieved, but there was a strong feeling of "the right thing to do" about this debate. Then this energy was slightly dissipated as the issue was deferred until next meeting when all the Councillors would be present.

Another interesting debate was about the grant from SLDC to carry out a feasibility study for a pathway from Burton to Clawthorpe. The grant of £5850 falls short by £650 of the price being asked by RG Parkins & Partners but extra income is available to cover this. The matter was deferred until the next meeting.

On Outstanding Items, Paul Rogers made a case to reduce the number because several depended on Cumbria County Council action which will never happen. However, others agreed that the list should be left intact. One change does seem more imminent however and that is the possibility of a one-way system for car parking at the Memorial Hall.

Other contributions – Police Report (basically no crime in Burton, but possibly some police action about car parking around the school), re-



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rendering of Church Tower approved, new Westmorland sign at south entrance to village awaiting Highways permission and reservations about a wind turbine at Greenlands Farm. All good stuff and then wine and mince pies to close!

J.M.

Packed public seats heralded something was in the air at the January Parish Council meeting, and indeed the Public Forum heard from a number of residents raising concerns about the impact on the village of the Local Development Framework recently adopted by SLDC. Alan Wren, in the Chair, allowed them time to have their say before observing that the PC would consider the matter later in the Agenda, which they did, concluding that there were many concerns about the overbearing nature of the proposal for one of the LDF sites but that, as no plans have yet been submitted to the planning authority, there were no useful comments which could be made by the PC at this time. Be assured that the matter will be fully discussed both by the council and residents when plans have been submitted to SLDC!

PCSO Coleman delivered the Police Report for the past month, which included a suspicious find of someone else's key in a garage door lock; a report of dangerous, possibly drunk,

driving near to Coat Green Farm which endangered a pedestrian; and two dead sheep at Keer Fold, Arkholme, which appeared to be the victims of worrying by dogs. The PCSO advised councillors that she has been monitoring the parking situation in the vicinity of Morewood School, and is continuing to explore options to ensure the safety of the children. In reply to the comment that a walking bus from the Kings Arms had been suggested to help alleviate congestion at school times, it was queried whether parents could park at the Kings Arms and walk their own children to school from there?

County & District Cllr Bingham advised that remedial work on the drains at Tan Pits Lane & Neddy Hill is due to commence during the February half-term; whilst Cllr Wren expressed frustration that his reports of out-of-action street lights on the main road through the village had not yet brought forth the relevant service to repair them, and asked whether or not Caterpillar Lane had been adopted as there are two lights not working there also.

Cllr Hopwood once again raised the issue of a Neighbourhood Plan for the village, and explained that having one is helpful in challenging inappropriate planning design within the village, but that this needs to be resident-led. It was agreed that the PC would initiate

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the first stage and encourage parishioners to come forward and get involved with developing the plan. More info will be available in next month's BN.

A short discussion about the shortfall in funding for the proposed pathway linking Burton and Clawthorpe was resolved by a decision to ask the contractor to do it for the grant sum available, otherwise the PC would seek an alternative, and hopefully lower, quote from another contractor!

By now the councillors were ready for home (or the pub!) so the remainder of the agenda passed by speedily, with decisions to sign the parish precept demand of £11679, confirm renewal of the council's membership of the Lancaster Canal Trust, and the purchase of a snazzy yellow grit bin for Tanpits Lane which the parish lengthman will put in place. Changes to the Memorial Hall park's entrances and exits will be discussed at the next PC meeting as costings requested for new signage had not been received.

One of the last issues, and probably the least welcome, was complaints from several residents of dog mess on pavements and footpaths: a recurring problem which seems always to be worse in the shorter winter days!

A.N.

SILVER SONGSTERS BURTON SESSIONS

The final monthly meeting was held on 18 December in the Memorial Hall. As befits the season, it was a merry, if poignant, occasion. Sadly, regular attendances have not proved sufficient to make the project financially viable.

Doreen, Ben and their team should like to thank all those who came to one or other of the meetings for their support. Obviously, they and anyone else who fancies a convivial hour of singing along to popular songs old and new - with a cuppa and a raffle thrown in, all for £2 - are welcome to attend our weekly Burneside sessions.

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BURTON AMATEUR DRAMATIC SOCIETY

A little voice whispered in my ear, "I didn't recognise you with your clothes on," followed by peals of laughter! Calendar Girls strikes again! As Miss January I am now knitting and smiling in 197 homes both here and amazingly abroad, as far away as India and the USA, because that is how many calendars we sold. Thank goodness it's someone else's turn next month: I'm glad I was first. Three amazing audiences laughed and cried, cheered and clapped, bought wine, raffle tickets and the calendars (there are still 3 left if you want one) and most of all enjoyed the performances, memorable for so many reasons, not least the superb acting by the BADS cast, I was immensely proud of them all.

Sponsorship from such generous local businesses who sponsored the performance licences, the programme costs, calendar months, the banner, even the "buns" and 15 of the raffle prizes has meant that BADS can donate a grand total of £2,750 to be divided between the 3 charities: St John's Hospice, Cancercare and Macmillan Nurses. Special thanks must go to Ollie Craig who did the Great North Swim and donated his sponsorship money to our charities, to Gill and Akis who sold the tickets and

calendars and sponsored the third performance, and to Jim who donated his time and taught us how to do T'ai Chi, and also Joan Barkley for the great report in BN. As always we couldn't do a play without our backstage members and the invaluable help from the front of house ladies and the volunteers who came from Cancercare and St John's Hospice to help. Costumes, makeup, lighting, sound, projectionists, painters, set builders, the prompts and stage manager are all as vital to a successful production as the actors, and offer helpful suggestions to resolve tricky problems which always arise given our limitations putting on big productions in a village hall. All in all a superb effort by the whole village, well done Burton!

At the first performance St John's Hospice volunteers put a collection box for donations on the free refreshments counter and I am pleased to say they collected £78.64, which they tell me equates to 3 hours nursing, so they would like me to thank you for being so generous. Also we six Calendar Girls enjoyed learning T'ai Chi so much that I am trying to set up a beginners course in the Memorial Hall, if anyone else would be interested please get in touch.

Now to future productions. I have been asked by so many people for another murder mystery night, and as we haven't had one for a couple of years that is what we will do. It will be in June,



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watch out for more details in BN. It has been more than 20 years since BADS put on a pantomime so in January 2015 we will be doing just that, directed by Lakeland Radio's own Simon "Yakkers" Yaxley, *Cinderella the real story!* Of course no panto would be the same without live music so if you play an instrument and would like to take part please get in touch, you never know Burton may have its own orchestra before we have finished, but we will settle for a small band! Rehearsals will start in the autumn so if you would like to take part in a panto on or off stage please get in touch, new members are always welcome.

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Climbing High to Help the Homeless

I regard myself as having been fairly fortunate in both my business and personal life. I set up IT Works Resource Group nearly ten years ago and the company has grown rapidly and been successful. I know, however, that not everyone has been as lucky as me and I decided a few years ago that I wanted to give something back to the community in which I was raised by getting actively involved in a local charity.

I started volunteering with the Lancaster and District Homeless Action Service (LDHAS) about two years ago and have continued to work with their fundraising team ever since. The charity is a drop-in centre that provides hot meals and support to homeless people in and around Lancaster. It helps them develop life skills, with the long-term aim of finding them permanent housing.

However, it is not a hostel and with the cold, dark nights at this time of year, life is incredibly tough for the homeless who have to find warmth and shelter.

Having just enjoyed a wonderful Christmas with our families and loved ones, it seems especially important to remember those less fortunate. With

this in mind, I have decided to undertake a 6,000 metre ascent to the top of Mount Kilimanjaro in Africa - the highest free-standing mountain in the world! (Everest is just 8,800 metres.) As you read this I'll be somewhere up the mountain as I set off on 1 February!

The ascent will take over five days. To put it in perspective, Scafell Pike takes around four hours. It is also a test of both mental and physical endurance, particularly as many people experience altitude sickness on their way.

I would be very grateful if you could help me achieve my goal to raise awareness and funds for this fantastic local charity, which acts as a lifeline for so many local vulnerable people. Please visit my Just Giving page at <http://www.justgiving.com/DarrenITW>. Every little, really does, make a difference.

I have also recently helped to organise a fundraising dinner at the Lancaster House Hotel which was a great success. The link below has more photos than those printed in the recent Lancashire Life magazine.

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Why am I still a Christian in 2014?

Wasn't the Christian faith out of date in the last century, let alone in this? So why am I still a Christian in 2014?

Well, firstly, because it's the truth. I first trusted in Jesus at the age of 12; since then I've had many years to consider the Bible's teaching and the objections to it that are often raised.

My confidence that the Bible speaks truthfully has only grown. I don't know of anything else that makes such sense of our bitter-sweet experience of life, that speaks with such disturbing accuracy about my own flawed character and that tells such an unbelievable story (as the account of Jesus seems to be) in such a simple, matter-of-fact, truthful way.

Every century has had its way of hiding this but Christian faith remains true, just as sugar remains sweet and the sky stays blue.

But secondly, I'm a Christian because the message of the Bible gives me hope. If it wasn't true then this would just be false hope, but because it is true the hope is of the solid, 24-carat, armour-plated variety.

There is hope for me personally because the great debt that I owed to God for stubbornly resisting his right to tell me how I ought to live has been paid in full and wiped from the slate by Jesus Christ.

There is hope for my family; how can I hope to protect them from all the circumstances that might threaten to overwhelm their lives in the future?

God promises in the Bible that his "love is with those who fear him, and his righteousness with their children's children."

And there is hope for the whole world because the Bible confidently asserts that the rule of Jesus Christ will increase year by year until there is no town or village outside his just government and no person who does not acknowledge that he is Lord.

Christians often feel pressured to let go of their faith and adopt an easier outlook on life. But where else could we find such a true hope to live for?

Sincerely
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The fun and frustrations of singing in an amateur choir

I have sung in choirs for nearly as long as I can remember, slightly reluctantly at school, because it took away time in the playground at break and lunchtime, enthusiastically ever since. My husband and I have spent many years of our working lives overseas, and one of our first questions has always been, "Is there a choir?" "Yes. What voice are you?" "Soprano" "Fine. Come along." "Tenor." "Great. We need tenors." T'is ever thus. Tenors are always in demand.

Our singing history has ranged from small groups singing madrigals and part songs, to large choral works with orchestra, such as Mendelssohn's *Elijah*. We now sing with the Eversley Choir, which meets in Milnthorpe, and does concerts around our catchment area. I also sing in my local church choir at St Oswald's in Warton, and have, for eight years, sung with a choir, Cantores Ambrosiani, which sings in cathedrals. Singing in the space and acoustic environment of a cathedral is an amazing experience, definitely producing a "tingle factor".

So you can see from the above paragraph how much I love singing in choirs. Having a solo voice which can send shivers down the spine would be

the ideal; lacking that, singing great music with other people is very rewarding. It has great physical and emotional benefits. You need to concentrate and therefore all other anxieties disappear for the duration. It is exhilarating and exciting to sing a great choral work, especially with an orchestra. You are working with other people towards a particular goal, and it is a bonus if your audience enjoys what you produce.

Despite the title of this short article, I am not so much frustrated as concerned about the dearth of young voices coming through. I appreciate what Gareth Malone has achieved in putting choral singing on the map, but the music which his choirs sing is not from the tradition which means most to me. The ever widening gap between those who learn music in the classical tradition, and those for whom pop is the only music (my own grandchildren, sadly, included), is contributing towards this.

There are some reasons for optimism. St Oswald's Choir contains some excellent juniors, one of whom has been recruited into a very good local choir. But the continuation of such participation, on a relatively small scale, has required enormous dedication and hard work from interested adults. I fear that the great British tradition of choral singing is going to come to an end



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when the current generation (mostly in their 60s and over) can't sing any more, or dies (and, hopefully, joins that great choir in the sky). So, come along, you forty year olds (and younger!), give choral singing a try. You might find you really enjoy it!

Jane Parsons



POLICE NEWS

December 2013

23/11 A report of 2 telephone kiosks broken into at Burton Services, monies were taken. Enquiries are still ongoing.

5/12 On Dalton Lane sheep were reported to be wandering around in the road. These escapees were found and put back in the field.

Burton Stores Drop in was held with no issues.

In the New Year I will be targeting the area of Burton Morewood School to deter those who cause obstruction when parking to pick up and drop down their children.

We are hoping to put together a multi agency panel to deal with concerns you have around the schools in the new year.

January 2014

24/12 A resident on Morewood Drive reported finding a key in his garage lock which was not his. An area search was done but proved negative.

31/12 A dark coloured Audi was reported to us driving through a farm nearly knocking over the caller and his dogs. The driver was suspected of being drunk.

31/12 2 Sheep were found worried in a field, one described as having its throat ripped out. The caller suspects a dog as the sheep were large Ryland sheep.

I have been patrolling the area of Burton Morewood School. I spoke to two parents who had parked on the keep clear lines in front of the gates.

Please keep this area free of cars as you are committing an offence if you do so. As always around the schools throughout the county parking is an issue, but at Burton Morewood School

parents who parked at the village hall were able to walk across the road and deliver their children into the school leaving the front of the school area at times clear of cars. I did think that a Zebra Crossing would be of benefit but it would take away parking depending on where it was placed. Also a walking bus is being discussed with the school.



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Roger Reports...

from the District & County Councils

At the turn of the old and new years the district council made important decisions of lasting significance for Burton because, on 17 December, SLDC agreed to implement The Local Development Framework. This will enable 5,000 homes to be built, of which about a third should be "affordable". SLDC is one of the first authorities to adopt such a Framework. For Burton 140 homes, subject to site planning permission, will now be allowed to be built, compared to 132 homes planned for Holme and 188 for Milnthorpe. There will be no compulsory purchase orders for sites and purchase price and time of building will depend on market forces. Burton's sites are: 23 homes north of Boon Town, 32 east of Hutton Close, and 86 at Green Dragon - which also includes employment sites.

In the debate I emphasised, again, that it is unbalanced to build the new homes only on the third of the district outside the Lake District and the Yorkshire Dales National Parks. I contended that places, like Windermere and Sedbergh, in the parks need houses and employment sites as much as our Lower Kentdale Division which bridges the gap between the two National Parks. Councillors who opposed my

views included some members who live in the Lake District National Park, one of whom pleaded, almost tearfully, that critics of the LDF should have more 'compassion'.

I and 15 other councillors asked for a postponement in order to consider new government guide lines that an LDF should take into account plans in neighbouring areas. Thus, if Lancaster City wishes to develop a brown field site in Carnforth there might not be as much need to build on a green field site in Burton. Many familiar arguments were gone through again, like the need to update physical infrastructure such as sewers before planning permission can be granted. I remain sceptical about whether social infrastructure like health and education facilities will be addressed before the bulldozers move in. But, as the LDF applies until 2025 we have a long time to wait and see! N.B. SLDC's price list for "Affordable Homes" includes 1 bed flats £70,000, 2 beds £80,000, 2 bed houses/bungalows £95,000, 3 bed houses £110,000 and 4 bed houses £125,000. I believe these figures are unrealistic. Please, what do you think?

As a contribution to central lakes housing needs the council is proposing to convert part of its Windermere office into two flats. Also plans for housing on the site of the now demolished new swimming baths (which lasted only 5

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years) at Grange were approved; debates about what to do with the site of the 1930s lido, closed 25 years ago, continue.

Despite the intervention of an angry member of the public (who wanted them abolished) the council decided to keep SLDC's members' basic allowances at £3,880 pa which, except for Eden councillors, are the lowest in Cumbria. Craven/ Skipton councillors get £4,200 and the national average is £4,124.

A few car-parking charges have been changed so that some tourist area car parks will be free after 6 pm, and a new £1 per hour or £5 per day rate is being introduced in Milnthorpe. Plans to replace Kendal's New Road free car park (without alternative provision) and, also, to build a new bridge over the Kent seem to have been forgotten.

Some minor parish boundary changes have been agreed but none affect us. Although as a historian I like to think that parish boundaries go back to those of medieval manors, it seems odd that much of Farleton Knott, Farleton hamlet, Whassett and Elmsfield are in Beetham parish though they are nearer to Burton and Holme than to Beetham. But there appears to be no desire by residents to change things.

At the time of writing we seem to have

been spared the worst of the winter storms but I am checking on grit bins and floods, especially at Neddy Hill where drainage repairs are still inadequate. Finally, a Happy New Year, and let's hope also that claims of economic recovery will ring true for everyone.

You can contact Roger as follows:
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The Smithy, Ackenthwaite,
Milnthorpe, Cumbria, LA7 7DH
Tel: 015395 63694
e-mail: roger.bingham@cumbriacc.gov.uk

Burton Memorial Hall

Our next fundraiser will be a Thai Night Taster Banquet, to be held on Saturday 15 February, at 7pm. Our experienced Thai chef will provide a range of dishes for you to try and there will be regular and vegetarian options. As we will not have space for a bar as well you can bring your own wine or other drinks to enjoy with your meal. On arrival you'll be able to enjoy a Thai cocktail, and we will have Thai beer available too, and of course no Thai meal is complete without Fortune Cookies!

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News from Morewood School



Welcome back and a very Happy New Year to you all. We hope that you had a wonderful Christmas and enjoyed our end of term activities. The Infant Nativity was lovely and together with a wonderful performance of The Little Match Girls Christmas we had a super end to the term. Carols in the Kings raised nearly £50 and the Book Fair £302. Thank you to all of you who supported our Christmas Fair which raised £669. We had a lovely Christingle Service led by our Year 6 children. Thank you to Sandy and Claire for producing a wonderful Christmas lunch for over 220 of us. The Blue Bag collection raised £190 and Christmas card sales raised £413. The biggest success of the term was a sponsored silence which raised £1184 for Children in Need. We all enjoyed our visit from Pudsey.

Mrs Summers and Miss Taggart are spending their half term holiday and the week before self-funding a visit to Kenya to work for a Christian organisation supporting a local school. I am sure we will enjoy hearing about their experiences.

This half term in Key Stage 2, Years 5 and 6 are studying Our World; Years 3 and 4 are doing a project on India, they

have already Skyped their Indian school and exchanged messages. The younger children are doing a project on The Seasons.

For children in Year 3 and above Drama Club and Homework Club is on Wednesday from 3.15pm to 4.15pm. Quest Club, is on Wednesdays at 12.30pm. Year 2 and 3 children have the opportunity to join Gym Club this term too.

We have been very fortunate to have specialist dance and gymnastic teachers in school delivering some of our PE lessons. The children have thoroughly enjoyed them and different classes will benefit this half term. The children have also taken part in Tag Rugby tournaments and enjoyed an orienteering event at Dallam.

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We welcome four students into school this term: Miss Chamock in Yr2, Miss Hodgson in Yr1, Mr Winn in Yr4 and Miss McNulty in Yr3. We also have Mr Harnby working with us on the Troops to Teachers Scheme.

Congratulations to Miss Taggart and Mr Wilson who, after a vigorous selection procedure, have been awarded Specialist Leader in Education Status from the National College. Very special congratulations to Miss Hillbeck and Mr Wilson who are expecting their first baby at Easter. Mrs Jill Abel who we all know as one of our regular supply teachers will be teaching Year 5 in the summer term.

We will always attempt to stay open in bad weather but much depends on staff being able to get here. We will inform Radio Cumbria if we are to close, so please listen to their broadcast. We will also update our own website. We will always try and maintain a path into school but do take care around all of our grounds. We do like the children to get outside during the day so please make sure they have suitable footwear and clothing in school and something to wear on their feet indoors.

Please, please park safely at the beginning and end of the day, There is increasing concern from our neighbours about the volume of traffic and we are all of course worried that there maybe a

horrid accident. If you can walk to school that would really really help. Please take care not to obstruct anyone's drive; we do sometimes get very cross phone calls from neighbours who find they cannot get in or out of their own drives.

As a school we are part of the South Lakeland Rural Partnership which is an organisation set up by headteachers to better support schools. We have been lucky to acquire funding to employ a children's counsellor as well as provide Family Support Services. If you feel either of these services would be of benefit to you, do pop in for a chat.

If you have a problem, want some further information about an issue or would just like a chat then please contact your child's teacher. If you are still concerned then please come and see me, Mr Thexton our Deputy Head, or Mr Wilson, Assistant Head. We can all be contacted by email. Staff emails are all their initial followed by surname e.g. rwilson@burtonwood.cumbria.sch.uk admin@burtonmorewood.cumbria.sch.uk head@burtonmorewood.cumbria.sch.uk

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A Surprise Winter Visitor

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Wednesday 19 February 1pm
Witherslack - ***
Leader: Oenone Hutchinson

All walks: Meet in the Memorial Hall car park to arrange lifts & share transport to the starting point. (***) less than 5 miles at a gentle pace)

Visitors £2.00 Membership £8 from Jan 1st yearly
More info from the secretary, Kath Kirkman, on 781245 or visit our website:
<http://fellwalkers.burtonweb.org.uk>



NSPCC Child Protection
HELPLINE 0808 800 5000
KIDSCAPE 08451 205 204
CHILDLINE
FREEPHONE 0800 1111
BULLYING UK HELP SITE
<http://www.bullying.co.uk/>

February Meetings

Fri 7 Feb Travel Photography
Speaker: Alan & Julie Walker
Entries for Spring Comp & Jim Nicholson A/V Raffle

Fri 21 Feb Jim Nicholson A/V Comp
Judge: Adrian Almond

Wed 26 Feb South Lakes KO

Fri 28 Feb Spring Comp
Subject: Helicopters
Judge: Craig Ellis

Meetings are held at the Parish Hall, Holme unless otherwise stated

Visitors welcome at all meetings: £2



BURTON WI

Capturing Your Best Side

Speaker: Glynis Bland

Competition: A Photo of Yourself

Thursday 13 February
7.30pm Burton Memorial Hall

Hostesses:
Helen Dawson & Liz Falkingham

New Members & Visitors Welcome!
Contact: Helena Nixon 01524 781048 for details

Kirkby Lonsdale Netball Club

**Queen Elizabeth School Sports Hall
Thursdays: 7pm - 8:30pm**

For fitness or fun, competitive and non-competitive players. All abilities welcome—come along and try the first few sessions for free!

For more information contact:
Hannelie Pearson: 07789 441353
Lisa Longley: 07847 174662

Kirkby Lonsdale Junior Netball Club

Are you a budding player?
If so, then we would like to see you at our junior netball training!

**Thursdays: 6pm - 7pm
Queen Elizabeth School sports hall
Kirkby Lonsdale**

Open to all players of all abilities
between years 6-9
(please wear suitable clothing and
trainers)

£10 membership fee for the full year

For more information contact:
Louise Dawson
01524 782277 or 0777 136 4708

In aid of Action Aid

Quiz Night

Smithy Inn
Holme

Thursday 6 March
from 8pm

Enquiries to
Graham Caley, 782299

BURTON TENNIS CLUB

**Membership
1 April 2013 to 31 March 2014**

Single membership £40
Family membership £70
Child membership £20

Group Coaching begins Tues 26
March and every Tuesday at 7.30pm.
£3 per session. Non-members
welcome.

Summer Members' Knockout
Tournament.

For the more competitive there are
teams in the Lancaster Mixed, Ladies
and Winter Veterans Leagues. We
could also enter junior teams subject
to available membership.

If you're not already a member and
are interested in joining, take a
membership form from the Pavilion
notice board or contact Phil Mann on
01524 782152.

DRU YOGA CLASSES

BURTON MEMORIAL HALL
TUESDAY 1.00 – 2.30pm
£5.00 per class

ENQUIRIES 015395 64145
Email: lindagriffith98@aol.com

Holme & District Flower Club

New Beginnings
Monday 3 February 7.30pm
Speaker: Joan Bentley

Preston Patrick Memorial Hall

Visitors welcome: £5 per person

Pilates Classes

Thursdays 3pm - 4pm
Burton Memorial Hall
£36 for 6 sessions or £7 per session

Pilates targets the deep postural muscles resulting in a longer, leaner and more toned body. It is suitable for all ages and fitness levels as exercises can be modified to meet the needs of everyone.

For more details of these and other Pilates classes, and to reserve a place, contact Hilary by phone on 01539 736375 or 0794 851 6223 or by email to: southlakespilates@gmail.com

Callanetics Sessions

Callanetics every Friday morning from 9.30 - 10.30am at Burton Memorial Hall

Special Offer CALLANETICS & ZUMBA

- 1) 1 Class per week £5
- 2) *5 Classes over 5 weeks £23 a saving of £2
- 3) *10 Classes over 10 weeks £45 a saving of £5

Contact Lesley Gaulter on
07749 756992 or email:
l.gaulter@hotmail.co.uk and website:
www.callaneticsblackpool.co.uk



Holme & District Local History Society

<http://localhistory.burtonweb.org.uk>

Monday 17 February 7.30pm

**AGM followed by
The Bayeux Tapestry
Speaker: Kathryn Smith
Burton Memorial Hall**

Visitors & new members welcome



Tandy/Radioshack electronic keyboard, 100 sound effects, battery or mains £30 ono
Spanish acoustic guitar, 3/4 size, ideal for beginner, £25 ono
electric guitar, good starter model, £35 ono
Tel: 01524 781306

Swap Shop or For Sale adverts are included subject to available space & must include a phone number. Text for advert should be put into a sealed envelope marked BN Sales & Swaps & be left at the newsagents.

Annual Gift Subscriptions

If you know of anyone who may like to receive BN regularly each month, why not buy them an Annual Gift Subscription?

For £12 within the UK they will receive a copy of BN each month (11 copies per year). A great way for family, friends and former residents to keep in touch with what's happening here in Burton. Anyone interested should contact BN at the address in the box below.

Cancer Care Cafe

**Last Friday of every month
at Slynedales, Slyne Rd, Lancaster
(beside Beaumont Bridge)**

**Open for Tea and Coffee
10.00 am - 12 noon**

Free Parking. Everybody Welcome!

Further details from 01524 381820

Circuit Training

Mondays 7.15 - 8.15pm

BMH Main Hall

Wednesdays 7.15 - 8.15pm HIIT

BMH Club Room

Fridays 6.15 - 7.15pm

BMH Reception Room



Improve your Strength & Endurance
Cardio-Vascular System
Body Composition & Flexibility

For further info call John 01524 781707

Burton Tennis Club



Get fit and meet people. Any age & ability catered for. Competitions & local league teams. Coaching sessions, club nights & afternoons. New membership open from 1 April. Phone Phil Mann on 01524 782152 for details.

South Lakes Age Concern

BURTON LUNCH CLUB

(for over 55s)

The Burton Lunch Club meets every month in the Kings Arms, Burton. The club is open to anyone aged 55 or older. To join the club and book your lunch please contact Mrs Margaret Prady on 01524 781195. The next meeting is Wed 12 February.

Burton Crown Green Bowling



We meet every Monday night from about 6.30 until 8.00 (ish) from about mid-March, and anyone wishing to try their hand will be more than welcome. More details from Malcolm Brownsord, Acting Chairman, tel: 781405.

Mobile Banking Service

Memorial Hall Car Park

Fridays

1.15pm - 1.45pm

<http://www.natwest.com/personal/more-ways/g4/atwests-mobile-banking-service/cumbria.ashx>

ART IN BURTON

Three art groups meet regularly in the Memorial Hall. If you are interested, why not contact the group leaders to find out more about each session?

Monday 2 pm - 4 pm Mary Newell, tel: 782749

Thursday 9.30 am - 12 noon Judith Ellis, tel: 781057

Friday 9.30 am - 12 noon Paula Firth, tel: 781984

County Library Van Times



The library van will be in the Memorial Hall car park every Monday between 10.00 - 11.00 a.m. Why not pop along and save yourself a trip to Kendal?

LADIES BADMINTON

Ladies Badminton meets in the BMH every Tuesday from 1.30pm - 2.30pm. If anyone would like to join the group please ask for more details from Stephanie Micklethwaite on 781073.

Library Coffee Morning



Monday 3 February
10am - 11am

Burton Memorial Hall



Burton Indoor Bowling Club

We meet each Wednesday afternoon 2 till 4. It's good fun and exercise. Why not try it out? Everyone welcome at Burton Memorial Hall.



Girlguiding UK
girls in the lead

Burton in Kendal Rainbows Brownies & Guides

If you or your daughter would like to know more about joining or volunteering please call 0800 169 5901 or visit www.girlguiding.org.uk/interested

COMMUNITY INFO

Burton-in-Kendal

Voluntary Car Scheme

If you need transport to hospital, doctor, dentist, optician etc please contact Lynne Herd on 781905. When she is away please contact Peter or Kathryn Smith on 782198. (If you could spare some time as a driver you would be most welcome, please contact Lynne or Peter for details.)

SURGERY TIMES

Dr JH Gorrigan

By appointment only at the Memorial Hall.

To make appointments please telephone 015395 63307

Child Health Clinic

1st Wednesday of each month
10.00 -11.00 am

No appointment necessary

Health Visitor: Shirley Bennett 015395 64887

OUT OF HOURS PHARMACY SERVICE

Ash Trees Pharmacy
Market Street, Carnforth

Monday to Friday 7am to 11pm
Saturday 8am to 6.30pm
Sunday 8am to 6pm

Tel: 01524 727877 - Fax: 01524 730421

Useful Phone Numbers

Burton News Editors	01524 781306
Burton Post Office	01524 781828
Morewood School	01524 781627
Dallam School	015395 65165
QES, Kirkby Lonsdale	015242 71275
CrimeStoppers	0800 555 111
Police non-emergency	101
Kendal Library	01539 713520
Kendal Hospital	01539 732288
Lancaster Hospital	01524 65944

Council Switchboards

Cumbria CC	01228 606060
South Lakeland DC	08450 504434

Civil Registration Services

Births, Marriages, Deaths

Registration of Births and Deaths is overseen by the Kendal Registrar's Office, based in County Hall, Kendal. Telephone 01539 773566 or send an e-mail to kendal.registeroffice@cumbriacc.gov.uk

Registrations may also be undertaken at Milnthorpe and Kirkby Lonsdale Libraries by appointment only, contact the Kendal Office to arrange an appointment. To arrange a marriage contact the Kendal Registrar.

Cumbria County Council Highways Hotline

0845 609 6609

to report road or pavement problems

SLDC Recycling Information



Andy Vickers

Customer Contact Centre
on 0845 050 4434

or by email to:

recycling@southlakeland.gov.uk

BURTON IN KENDAL PARISH COUNCIL

**Meetings are 3rd Thursday of every month
7.30pm in the Memorial Hall**

Meetings:

Members of the public are always welcome to observe. Each meetings includes an OPEN FORUM where parishioners may raise matters of concern to them.

Planning applications:

Parishioners are asked to ensure they notify the PC as well as the planning authority of any comments or objections they have about any planning application within the parish.

Agendas, Minutes & Contact Details:

Are available on the PC notice board outside the Memorial Hall, on the PC website, or on request from the Parish Clerk.

Website:

Documents relating to the PC may be downloaded or read online here: www.burton-in-kendal-pc.gov.uk

For further information, contact
The Clerk - Jane Johnson on 784836



ADVANCE DIARY DATES



Cafe Church Afternoon Tea, Fri 14 February 2.00-3.30pm, BMH

Thai Night Taster Banquet, Sat 15 February 7pm, BMH

Moto Quiz Night, Thurs 27 February 7.30pm, BMH

Action Aid Quiz Night, Thurs 6 March 8pm, Smithy Inn Holme

Pre-school New to You Sale, Sat 15 March 10am-12noon, BMH

Pre-school Retro Night, Sat 22 March 7.30pm, BMH

Burton Art & Craft Society Annual Exhibition, Sat 31 May & Sun 1 June, BMH

CFHS Afternoon Tea & Talks, Sat 14 June, BMH

BMH Strawberry Saturday, Sat 5 July 10am-12noon, BMH

BMH Children's Summer Activities Week, Mon 4 - Fri 8 August, BMH

BMH CraftMarket 2014, Sat 20 & Sun 21 September 10am-4pm, BMH

BMH Harvest Fair, Sat 18 October 10am - 12 noon, BMH

KEEP US POSTED!

If you are planning an event in Burton let us know and we'll add a free entry to the list which we publish in every issue. This gives your event more publicity and flags up potential clashes of dates. Let BN help you make the most of your event!



BMH = BURTON MEMORIAL HALL

BCSC = Burton Children's Sports Committee

BMS = Burton Morewood School

BADS = Burton Amateur Dramatic Society

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