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February is the second month of the year in the Julian and Gregorian calendars. It is the shortest month and the only month with less than 30 days. Having only 28 days in common years, it is the only month of the year that can pass without a single full moon. It is also the only month of the calendar that once every six years and twice every 11 years, will have only four full 7-day weeks.

February starts on the same day of the week as March and November in common years, and on the same day of the week as August in leap years. February ends on the same day of the week as October every year and January in common years only.

February was named after the Latin term februum, which means purification, via the purification ritual Februa held on February 15 in the old Roman calendar. January and February were the last two months to be added to the Roman calendar, since the Romans originally considered winter a monthless period. They were added by Numa Pompilius about 713 BC.

February's birth flower is the Viola and the Primrose.

Its birthstone is the amethyst. It symbolises piety, humility, spiritual wisdom, and sincerity.

Info obtained from <http://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/February>

FEBRUARY PARISH CHURCH SERVICES

	Time	Service	Place	By
Tuesday 1st	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Spridlington	ST/AH
Thursday 3rd	9:30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Owmbly	RC
Sunday 6th <i>5 before Lent</i>	9:30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Glenthams Chapel	MC
	11:00 a.m.	Holy Communion	Spridlington	JT
	6:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer	Owmbly	PG
Tuesday 8th	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Spridlington	ST/AH
Thursday 10th	9:30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Spridlington	RC
Sunday 13th <i>4 before Lent</i>	8:30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Spridlington	PG
	9:30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Hackthorn	BW
	11:00 a.m.	Holy Communion	Saxby	PG
	11:00 a.m.	Family Service	Spridlington	ST
	6:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer	Glenthams	PG
Tuesday 15th	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Spridlington	ST/AH
Thursday 17th	9:30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Ingham	BW
Sunday 20th <i>3 before Lent</i>	8:30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Glenthams	MC
	9:30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Owmbly	PG
	11:00 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Hackthorn	PG
	6:00 p.m.	Evening Prayer	Spridlington	ST
Tuesday 22nd	9:30 a.m.	Morning Prayer	Spridlington	ST/AH
Thursday 24th	9:30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Hackthorn	BW
Sunday 27th <i>2 before Lent</i>	8:30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Hackthorn	MC
	9:30 a.m.	Holy Communion	Saxby	MC
	11:00 a.m.	Family Service	Owmbly	PG

GLENTHAM METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday 6th	9:30 a.m.	Anglican Led	
Sunday 13th	6:00 p.m.	Communion	Rev Marty Presdee
Sunday 20th	10:45 a.m.	Messy Church	
Sunday 27th	8:45 a.m.	Breakfast then 9:30am Service	Jane Lloyd

PRESENCE BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER GROUP

Inter-denominational - Praying for our Communities

Thursdays 3rd & 27th February, 7:00 p.m.

Tilsit, Bishop Norton Road, Glenthams.

Contact Jenny or Peter on 01673 878806

POST OFFICE OPENING TIMES

Hackthorn	Monday & Tuesday	09:00 - 13:00
	Thursday & Friday	09:00 - 13:00
Glentham	Monday	09:00 - 11:30
	Thursday	14:00 - 16:30
Normanby	Monday - Thursday	09:00 - 13:00
	Friday & Saturday	09:00 - 12:30

MOBILE LIBRARY

Hackthorn	Near School	09:45 - 10:15	Mondays
Spridlington	Church Hill	10:30 - 11:00	7th February
Normanby	Council Houses	11:15 - 11:45	7th March

Enquiries and renewals: 01522 782010

RECYCLING

Recycling facilities for glass, paper and cans are available in Glentham, behind the village hall and in Normanby-by-Spital at the Bottle & Glass. Please do not leave your empty boxes behind as we cannot dispose of them. Put them in your blue bin.

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<i>route number</i>	370	371	371	
	School Days	Tues	SD/Tues	
Gainsborough Bus Station	0740	1200	1450	
Glentham	0805	1223	1513	
Market Rasen Market Place	0820	1238	1528	

Market Rasen to Gainsborough Monday to Friday

370 371 Market Rasen to Gainsborough				
<i>route number</i>	371	371	370	
	SD/Tues	Tues	School Days	
Market Rasen Market Place	0845	1245	1553	
Glentham	0900	1300	1608	
Gainsborough Bus Station	0924	1325	1628	

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FROM YOUR PARISH PRIEST

My dear friends,

Are you called to pray?

Do you have a ministry of prayer? Some do. It's certainly something at the core of the activities of the Ministry Team. Many people pray. Even some atheists pray, though I'm not quite sure to whom.

It is, in particular, a priest's duty to pray for their people, and so one of the features of my daily prayers is to pray for the people, the communities, the churches and the wider life of our group of thirteen churches in nineteen villages.

I also pray for individuals, especially if I know that they are in particular need, most especially if they are sick.

As a Ministry Team, we would like our prayers to be more co-ordinated. Perhaps you might feel that you'd like to be part of a cycle of prayer; even if you think that you can't do much else to further the love of God around here, you might feel called to pray for it.

Two volunteers have offered to co-ordinate a list of people who feel called to pray, and a list of causes and individuals that we might pray for. If you're interested in being part of this, please contact either

Rosemary Cox

Manor Farm

East Firsby

01673 878258

info@lincolnshire-lanes.com

Sue Doar

Old Meldrum

Cliff Road

Spridlington

01673 860630

and may God's blessing be upon this initiative. It is for everybody's good.

Peter Godden

**The latest date for entries for March's Signpost
is Tuesday the 15th of February at 6:00 p.m.**

CONFIRMATION SERVICE AT SCAMPTON

6:00 P.M. SUNDAY APRIL 10TH

A number of candidates, both children and adult, have come forward for confirmation at Scampton. Bishop David Tustin, former Bishop of Grimsby, who took the last Confirmation at Scampton over 20 years ago, is happy to take a service on Sunday 10th April at 6.00 p.m.

There will be separate preparation sessions for adults and young people, at times to suit candidates.

Please contact Canon Peter Godden 01673 860856 or (better still) peter@owmbygroup.co.uk if you would like to take part in this.

FROM THE REGISTERS

Baptisms:

None

Funerals and Burials:

Funeral & burial at Spridlington on December 7th - Joan Mumby, aged 67

Marriages:

None



JOAN MUMBY

The famous Christian writer CS Lewis once observed that God's frontline troops in the battle between good and evil are those quiet, faithful ladies who say their prayers, keep the faith and unobtrusively get on with the business of loving care. Joan was without doubt one of these. Not only was she a rock to all her loving family, but also a sterling worker both for the church and for the community at Spridlington. The last person to ever seek the limelight for herself, she has without doubt gone to join the saints in glory. She is greatly missed, and our condolences go to Dennis and her family.



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HELPING THE HOMELESS

The response to helping the homeless at St Mary Le Wigford Church has been fantastic and a big THANK YOU to everyone who has helped in any way.

Men's clothing, especially jeans, socks and boxer shorts are still needed as are tea, coffee, milk & sugar.

If you would like to help financially, any amount is very gratefully received.

You might like to help man the church or help cook breakfasts or evening meals.

If you can help in any way please give me a ring.

Thank you.

Sally Turnbull 01673 862764 - supersonicsal55@gmail.com

To hear more about what is happening at St. Mary le Wigford, come along to the Open Meeting of the Deanery Synod to be held in the

LAWRESS ROOM at WILLIAM FARR SCHOOL

on TUESDAY 22nd FEBRUARY at 7:30 p.m.

When the Revd Liz Jackson will be talking about opening the doors of the church to the homeless.

THOUGHT OF THE MONTH

The following was written by 8 year old, Daniel Sutton of Branston. Leicestershire for his year three RE homework assignment. The assignment was to explain God.

One of God's main jobs is making people. He makes them to replace the ones that die, so there will be enough people to take care of things on earth. He doesn't make grown-ups, just babies. I think because they are smaller and easier to make. That way He doesn't have to take up His valuable time teaching them to talk and walk. He can just leave that to mothers and fathers.

God's second most important job is listening to prayers. An awful lot of this goes on, since some people, like preachers and things, pray at times besides bedtime. God doesn't have time to listen to the radio or TV because of this. Because He hears everything, there must be a terrible lot of noise in His ears, unless He has thought of a way to turn it off.

God sees everything and hears everything and is everywhere which keeps Him pretty busy. So you shouldn't go wasting His time by going over your Mum and Dad's head asking for something they said you couldn't have.

Atheists are people who don't believe in God. I don't think there are any in Branston. At least there aren't any who come to our church.

Jesus is God's Son. He used to do all the hard work like walking on water and performing miracles and trying to teach the people who didn't want to learn about God. They finally got tired of Him preaching to them and they crucified Him. But He was good and kind, like His Father, and He told His Father that they didn't know what they were doing and to forgive them and God said, "OK."

His Dad (God) appreciated everything He had done and all His hard work on earth so He told Him he didn't have to go out on the road anymore. He could stay in heaven. So He did. And now He helps His Dad out by listening to prayers and seeing things which are important for God to take care of and which ones He can take care of Himself without having to bother God. Like a secretary, only more important.

You can pray anytime you want and They are sure to help you because They got it worked out so one of Them is on duty all the time.

You should always go to church on Sunday because it makes God happy, and if there's anybody you want to make happy, it's God. Don't skip church to do something you think will be more fun like going to the beach. This is wrong. And besides, the sun doesn't come out until noon anyway.

If you don't believe in God, besides being an atheist, you will be very lonely, because your parents can't go everywhere with you, like to camp, but God can. It is good to know He's around you when you're scared in the dark or when you can't swim and you get thrown into real deep water by big kids.

But . . . you shouldn't just always think of what God can do for you. I figure God put me here and He can take me back anytime He pleases. And . . . that's why I believe in God.

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is Tuesday the 15th of February at 6:00 p.m.**

MAXIMS OF EDWARD KING**BISHOP OF LINCOLN 1885 – 1910**

Feb 6 - We are made in the image and likeness of God, and Christ came to restore that image and likeness.

Feb 13 - Simplicity and depth are the marks of Jesus.

Feb 20 - This world's history is the great event between the Fall of Humanity and the Restoration of all things in Christ.

Feb 27 - Our nearness to God is our true good.

If you have an article or story you feel would be of interest to our readers, please contact Steve, the editor, for more details. His telephone number is on page 2.

Full contact details are on the web site - <http://owmbygroup.co.uk>

BISHOP'S LETTER

Since last September, many of us searching the Internet will have used a programme called 'Google Instant'. This software displays the results of our queries as we type them and Google claims that it will change the way we use the Internet. A bold claim and only time will tell, but the question in my mind is whether, with all this access to knowledge and information, are we actually any the wiser?

Wisdom is about making the best use of what we know and making judgements which lead to good choices. Wisdom is not the opposite of folly, but rather it is the key ingredient to navigating our way through life. Down the ages wisdom has been prized in bringing together what we know, what we understand and what we've experienced of life, to interpret not only what is happening, but how people are reacting and behaving.

Wisdom and the search for wisdom are at the heart of religion and philosophy. In Judaism, wisdom is closely associated with justice and fairness. Across each of the world religions, wisdom is the distinctive human attribute to which we should all aspire. In Christianity wisdom is understood as a gift which gives our knowledge, understanding and experience such a Christ-like quality that the wisdom of the world is seen to be folly.

Such a gift is grounded and renewed in our prayers, our study of the Bible and in the worship through which we celebrate our faith in Jesus Christ. There are no shortcuts to gaining the 'mind of Christ' or the wisdom which comes with it - it only comes through the practice of faith.

In the mighty rush of modern life, with a relentless demand for instant reactions, decisive leadership and immediate replies to emails - wisdom can so easily be squeezed out.

Impressive software and the faster delivery of information will never be a substitute for the wisdom we need to be happy, to live at peace with one another and to cope with all that life throws at us. In St. Paul's words to the Colossians, we need to "set our minds on the things which are above", for that is where true wisdom is to be found.

+ *David Grimsby*



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NEW FIRST RESPONDER GROUP NEEDED

L.I.V.E.S are looking at starting a new First Responder Group based in this area and need people to come forward to become volunteers who are trained to respond to medical emergencies within the local area. They are trained to deliver Basic Life Support and early Defibrillation. In addition, they provide patient assessment, oxygen therapy and general patient care. First Responders can also undertake additional training in Trauma Care, Paediatric Care and Drugs Therapy to enable those trained to provide a wider treatment provision.

In many medical emergencies and after accidents, people can die within the first few minutes. We also know that if certain simple but critical interventions can be performed within those first few minutes that life can be saved and disability reduced. This is especially the case for heart attacks, choking, and any injuries that have caused someone to lose consciousness or suffer breathing difficulties. Recent advances in technology have meant that many interventions previously performed only by highly trained individuals are now available to people with much less training. These include small, easy to operate 'external defibrillators' (AEDs) and lightweight oxygen delivery systems.

When a person dials 999 in addition to an ambulance being dispatched the local 'on call' First Responder is also activated. First Responders live and work within the community so can often be first on scene and able to initiate assessment and treatment pending the arrival of the Ambulance, often providing early interventions which have been proven to save lives.

Within the area we are actively seeking support both from people who wish to start a group by becoming Responders or to provide support to the group in a variety of other ways. Also we are looking for help from local business' to provide financial support towards the purchasing of the new equipment needed to provide a medical response.

Telephone: 01507 525999 - Fax: 01507 524333 - Email: lives@lives-responders.co.uk
Write: The War Memorial Centre, North Street, HORNCastle, LN9 5DX.

Please note that these contacts are only for those wishing to volunteer, not to contact in case of an emergency, which as always is 999.

RESPIRE SITTING

Are you a full time carer looking after a dependent relative?

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Can I help?

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GLENTHAM PARISH COUNCIL

NOTES ON MEETINGS HELD ON 16th DECEMBER 2010 & 6th JANUARY 2011

Weather

Severe winter conditions disrupted many people's routines, and the Parish Council had to postpone the December meeting by ten days. Community-minded residents helped with snow clearance and waste collections where possible.

Public forum

The first part of Council meetings is always dedicated to questions from the public and January's meeting brought queries concerning the entrance to Cherry Tree Farm, the Village Hall driveway and the ivy left by power line workers at the end of Highfield Terrace. All of these issues are being tackled by the Council.

Highways

Potholes in Caenby Road near the junction with High Street have been reported to Lincolnshire County Council's Highways department, who promise to review them as soon as possible. Railings near the junction of High Street and Glentham Court have been examined by the Highways department and found to be the best solution for protection of pedestrians and for discouraging dangerous parking, while having the least effect on traffic visibility. No further action will be taken on this matter.

Environment

Grass and hedge cutting specifications are being drawn up ready for tender in time for the next financial year. New notice boards have been selected to replace the existing ones, which are no longer weatherproof; three will be ordered, two for Council business and one for Village Hall notices. Contractors are being sought to repair and strengthen the children's playground fencing. The play equipment has been repaired under guarantee.

Finance

Most of January's meeting was dedicated to creating next year's budget. VAT paid out in the last financial year amounting to £878 has been reclaimed and received. The Council set a Precept which reflects the current economic climate, utilising reserves to help protect parishioners from tax increases arising from the Council's activities. The Council made a substantial grant to the Village Hall Committee to assist with the cost of the hall refurbishment. Provision has been made for forthcoming Parish and District election expenses in May, and further details of the elections will be announced in due course.

Minutes of the meeting

Draft copies of the January meeting are on the notice boards and Internet and copies can be obtained from Jeff Reynolds, Parish Clerk.

Date of next meeting

Thursday 3rd February 2011 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

THANK YOU

GLENTHAM CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION.

We had a lovely evening. A lot of fun was had by all. Thank you to all who took part in any way whatever. We raised £140 for *Crisis at Christmas*.

Here's to our Summer Celebration!

Brita.



ROSE BOWL QUIZ

Thursday 17 February

8.00 p.m.

Glenthams Village Hall

**A just for fun quiz to raise funds for the village hall
Bring your own drinks. Light supper provided**

St. Peter's Guild

COFFEE MORNING

Tuesday 15th at 10:30 a.m.

**Trinity, Bishop Norton Road, Glenthams
By kind invitation of David & Sandra Valance**

All Welcome



Glenthams Village Hall

COFFEE MORNINGS

Thursdays 10:00 a.m.

February 3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th

All welcome Proceeds to Village Hall Funds

AMENITIES GRANT

The Rotary Club of Market Rasen has awarded Glenthams's Thursday Coffee Morning Group £400 to improve the public amenities at The Green by the Village Hall.

Alan Lakeman, vice-chairman of the Parish Council was presented with the cheque at the Rotary Club's Lunch Meeting held at the Race Course on Thursday, 13th January. The money will enable the purchase of picnic tables, bench seat, planters and a goal post to be started so that villagers will be encouraged to enjoy this pleasant communal area of our village.

The parish council will handle the purchase and instillation of items and when able may well assist with the funding.

A lot more than the £400 will be needed so donations or offers of fund raising will be most gratefully received.

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55+

Monday 14th February at 12:00 noon
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If you have an article or story concerning Glenthams, please contact Margaret Cromack on 01673 876242 - or email your submission to her at glenthams@owmbygroup.co.uk

WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER



Interdenominational Service
prepared by Christian Women of Chile

Friday 4th March at 7:00 p.m.

Glenthams Methodist Church

Speaker - Rev Marty Presdee
 Singing led by The Glenthams Singers

GLENTHAM & CAENEY TAPESTRY GROUP

The next group meeting will be on
Tuesday 1st February at 7:30 p.m.

The Trap House, Glenthams
 New members are always most welcome.

GLENTHAM

Baby & Toddlers Group

At Glenthams Chapel

on Monday

7th of February

10:00-11:30am

£1 per adult

It would be great to see you!

For further information please phone Jenny 878806 or Kathy 876284

GLENTHAM & DISTRICT GARDENERS' CLUB



The next meeting will be on

Tuesday 8th February at 7:30 p.m.

in Glenthams Village Hall

Rob Potterton of Potterton's Nursery (a specialist nursery for alpine, dwarf bulbs and woodland plants in Nettleton) will give a talk called "A Labour of Love".

Mr Potterton will talk about the history of the founding of the nursery in 1971, detailing how the nursery has developed over the last 40 years including the building of their beautiful gardens. Other topics will include nursery propagation methods, preparation for flower shows and mail order techniques.

Entry is free and non-members are welcome to attend.

'The Crown' at Glenthams Men's Breakfast

Katy & Darren have agreed to serve breakfast on

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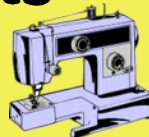
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A Happy New Year to you all. The children at school are looking forward to another full and exciting term. Despite having to close the school because of the bad weather, Class One managed to put on a brilliant Christmas play, and the enthusiastic singing during the carol service helped to keep us warm in the church. Our next 'Celebration Assembly' will be held on February 18th @ 2pm, in the school hall, where the children will be sharing their work on Chinese New Year. All are welcome to join with us.


We welcome the five new children who joined us in January. Although the main school is now full, we still have places available in our pre-school. Anyone wishing to visit the pre-school is welcome to do so. Please contact the school office for an appointment.

Our fundraising efforts have been continuing. at the end of Term, the children came to school in non uniform, but instead of donating money, everyone brought something which could be used in a care package for service men and women overseas. These items were gratefully received by the volunteers who make up and send out the care packages.

We have now finished collecting stamps for The Royal National Institute of Blind People. Thanks to those who donated stamps through the school office.

For further information about school visit our website: www.normanby.vschool.org.uk

If you have an article or story concerning Owmbly or Normanby, please contact Avril Harrison on 01673 878393 - Alternatively, you can email your submission to her at normanby@owmblygroup.co.uk.

 Whist Drive Results For Nov, Dec and Jan			
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Anyone wishing to join us at the next Whist Drive, it will be held at the home of
Richard Harrison, Saxom, Owmbly on Wednesday 9th February at 7:30 p.m.
 We are always pleased to see new faces, and it is always a very light-hearted evening.

NORMANBY BY SPITAL PARISH COUNCIL

What a December for adverse weather conditions. At least Highways managed to keep the routes into Glenthams and Welton open, shame about the cliff roads towards the A15, but we hope that all of you managed to cope.

The meeting due to be held on December 1st was postponed until December 16th where Cllrs Carter, Green, Crowe, Henry and Mrs Crowther together with the Clerk attended. Cllrs Bellamy and Brindley could not attend due to work commitments.

It was agreed that Highways could not be expected to do any of their outstanding works - Highgate Lane, school markings, potholes and road signs - until the weather improved.

WLDC have apologised for any distress caused by the state of the cemetery over Christmas and have issued the following statement:

"West Lindsey District Council apologises for the distress and upset that grounds maintenance works to Owmbury Cemetery caused during December. This was never the intention. The works to the hedges were always going to involve substantial disruption but were planned to be finished in order that the cemetery would be tidy and presentable in time for Christmas. Unfortunately, the progress of the works was hampered by the adverse weather conditions that prevailed in December, making it impossible to complete the work on time. The contractors intend to complete the work as soon as conditions permit."

Your Council is virtually certain to be taking over the running of the cemetery, jointly with Owmbury PC, sometime this year and then, hopefully, they can maintain the cemetery to a higher standard.

With the takeover of the cemetery and WLDC changing the system of running their elections (and the usual annual expenses) the precept for the year 2011/12 has been set at £2,500. It was also decided to transfer the £495.88 from the Halifax account to the current account, because the interest rate is derisory and the nearest Halifax office is now Lincoln, making the cost of travelling and parking to do any business unfeasible.

A notice from LIVES will appear somewhere in this issue, asking for volunteers from all the villages - please give this appeal serious thought.

The next meeting has been arranged for **Wednesday 16th February** - weather permitting.

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For those of you who might be given to wondering why school terms never seem to begin on a sensible day of the week (i.e. Monday), well in the case of our school it was because all the staff (not just the teachers) were busy making sure that they were fully up to date with their first aid training. This was a full 2 day course in which everyone learned how to do a full range of stuff from putting a plaster on right up to CPR (which as we now know, is not how they do it on *Casualty*!).

Two-thirds of the teaching staff went on a swimming course in readiness for our annual Summer Term swimming sessions, and another went on a philosophy course, so that the topic can be introduced onto the curriculum. The Admin staff all went on a special course to make sure they know everything they need to know about their computer systems and procedures. Learning is good for the soul, don't you know?

Four of our Y6 boys are off to the Sports Academy again this term as part of the *Gifted and Talented* initiative. This has been set up to provide an opportunity for 12 of the area's most promising youngsters to get together and work on honing skills such as balance, agility, speed etc. One of their earlier challenges was catching a ball dropped by someone else before it hits the floor - with one hand - starting from a standing position with hands by side. They are also introduced to new games which utilise a variety of multi-skills and which will provide them with a solid foundation to build on in future years, and maybe go some way to addressing the complaints made by the likes of Sir Alex Ferguson that the young players coming into his care don't have the basic skills needed to reach the top level in their profession.

It's not all about sport this term, though. We're looking forward to our annual 'bard fix' this month when the young Shakespeare company will be coming to present *The Tempest*. Year 5 are also very excited about going to William Farr to see their production of Peter Pan.

Contact the school on 01673 860295 to arrange a visit or request a School Brochure.

If you have an article or story concerning Hackthorn, please contact the editor or email your submission to him at hackthorn@owmbygroup.co.uk

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Change of Venue for our Meetings

Our new meeting venue is: **The Welton Sports and Social Club.**

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Our first meeting is on Tuesday 18 February. Anyone who is interested in joining The Royal British Legion, or would like some information on The Charity is welcome.

We would like to thank David and his staff at The Falconer for hosting our meetings for the past two years - they all made us very welcome.

Tony Davis, Branch Chairman: 01673 860363

If you have an article or story you would like to see in Signpost, please contact the editor or email your submission to him at signpost.editor@owmbygroup.co.uk




Dear all,

Last month, I announced the departures of both PC David Oakes and PCSO Neil Harrison and following that trend (!) I too will be leaving at the end of January to take up a post at the Abbey ward in Lincoln. I would like to take the opportunity to thank all of those that I have met in the four and a half years of working the Welton beat. I genuinely don't think that I could have asked for a better place to start my career and I have enjoyed my time here immensely.

My replacement is PCSO Angie Raper (some of you may have met her in January) who is already proving herself to be a very capable replacement, as well as being a very friendly and approachable Officer. Please feel free to contact her or the other members of the team on the details provided below.

PCSO Matt Trafford

Police Surgeries in February

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	Glenthams Village Hall	Thur 3rd	10:30 a.m.
	St Mary's Church, Welton	Tue 8th	10:30 a.m.
	Faldingworth Village Hall	Wed 16th	10:00 a.m.
	St Peter's Church, Bishop Norton	Wed 23rd	11:00 a.m.
	Welton & Dunholme Methodist Chapel	Sat 26th	10:30 a.m.

All surgeries are subject to Emergency calls

Domestic Violence

What is domestic violence?

In Women's Aid's view domestic violence is physical, sexual, psychological or financial violence that takes place within an intimate or family-type relationship and that forms a pattern of coercive and controlling behaviour.

How common is domestic violence?

At least 1 in 4 women experience domestic violence in their lifetime and between 1 in 8 and 1 in 10 women experience it annually. Less than half of all incidents are reported to the police, but they still receive one domestic violence call every minute in the UK.

Who are the victims?

The vast majority of the victims of domestic violence are women and children, and women are also considerably more likely to experience repeated and severe forms of violence, and sexual abuse. Women may experience domestic violence regardless of ethnicity, religion, class, age, sexuality, disability or lifestyle. Domestic violence can also occur in a range of relationships including heterosexual, gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgender relationships, and also within extended families.

Who are the abusers?

The majority of abusers are men, but in other respects, they vary: abusers come from all walks of life, from any ethnic group, religion, class or neighbourhood, and of any age.

Why doesn't she leave?

Whilst the risk of staying may be very high, simply leaving the relationship doesn't guarantee that the violence will stop. In fact, the period when a woman is planning or making her exit, is often the most dangerous time for her and her children.

What are the effects of domestic violence on children?

When there are children in the household, the majority witnesses the violence that is occurring, and in 80% of cases, they are in the same of the next room. In about half of all domestic violence situations, the children are also being directly abused themselves.

How many women and children use domestic violence services?

On one typical day - 2nd November 2006 - 11,310 women and 8330 children were being supported by domestic violence services in England (both residential and non-residential). This has increased by 50% since 2003. On the same day, 3615 women and 3580 children were being supported within refuge-based services.

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WELTON HEALTH CENTRE

Happy new year to everyone and thank you to all who sent cards and gifts over the festive period - all were greatly appreciated and enjoyed.

Shortly after the announcement that the practice was changing computer systems mid January we hit a technical hitch which has resulted in this now being postponed until later in the year. At the time of writing we still have 'flu vaccinations and urge those in the "at risk" groups to come forward. This season started really slowly this year but is now gaining momentum. Our 'flu order for 2011/12 will be placed shortly and although a long way ahead, a reminder for those eligible to make sure of an early appointment this year to ensure timely protection and prevent a last minute panic as the winter progresses.

Drs Barton and Barber have agreed to run the Lincoln 10k this year with our own Patient and Doctors Association being the chosen recipient of sponsorship. Forms will be available in reception shortly for anyone wishing to support this event.

WELTON PATIENT DOCTORS ASSOCIATION

'Will we', 'Won't we', 'Can we', 'Can't we', 'Should we', 'Shouldn't we'? These were all questions we were asking ourselves regarding going ahead with the Christmas Lunch. The weather was obviously going to be a problem but, after much careful consideration we decided that we would brave the elements and go ahead only to hear late on Wednesday night that the boiler, used for feeding the heating to the Hall, had broken down. We finally had the go-ahead at 1455hrs on Thursday 9th December. Credit must go to Addison Family Butchers for being so understanding regarding the meat order and to the plumber called in to fix the boiler. Thank you also to the men who kindly cleared a pathway through the ice to the door of the Village Hall enabling the 'not so firm on their feet' myself included, to arrive safely on terra firma. One of these gentlemen was visiting from Bristol but luckily we had a spare shovel-thank you Clive! In excess of 85 diners were seated and enjoyed (I hope?) a slightly delayed Christmas meal. The atmosphere was excellent despite the appalling conditions under foot. The raffle and cake stall were very well supported as always, as were the sale of books and hand-made cards. My thanks to everyone who helped to make this event a success including 3 'new' helpers in the kitchen who had a baptism of fire! The expression describing ducks-serene on top but paddling like fury under the water, certainly applied on Friday! We raised just over £500, after expenses, for PDA funds which was an excellent result.

The PDA now has a new Chairman, Mal Reynolds, who is already proving to be a major asset. He was elected at the AGM on 4th November and my apologies for not mentioning this in the December magazine.

We are holding a Jumble Sale, to raise funds for the Transport Scheme, on Saturday 9th April in Welton Village Hall starting at 1pm. In addition to jumble and 'nearly new' clothing there will be bric a brac, toys and games, a raffle to be drawn on the day and light refreshments will be served. If you have anything which you think we may be able to use, please hold on to it! We are hoping to have 'collection points' in Welton, Dunholme, Scothern and on Stonecliffe Park. Further details will be given in next month's magazine or alternatively goods can be brought to the Hall from 11am on the day. All help on the day would also be gratefully accepted.

The Spring Lunch will be held on Friday 6th May. (Note the date in your diary) Full details of menu, cost etc will be in the next magazine and tickets will be available from late March. Finally I would like to thank all of those people who made donations to the PDA over the Christmas period. These are, as always, very much appreciated.

If you have any questions about the items above, please give me a call on Welton 862570.

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OVERHEARD IN CONVERSATION

“Dad, I don’t want to go to school. The other children will pick on me because of my name.”

“Don't be silly, Someoneyourownsize, why would anyone pick on you?”

“I'm sick of it. You actually believe that you're a Transformer. It's stupid. I've had enough and I'm leaving you.”

“But, Baby, I can change.”

“There you go again!”

“Hi boss, can I leave an hour early today?”

“Only if you make up the time.”

“OK. It's 35 past 50.”

Is there any hope for the future...?

The following questions were set in last year's GCSE examination.

These are genuine answers (from 16 year olds)...

Q. Name the four seasons

A. Salt, pepper, mustard and vinegar

Q. What are steroids

A. Things for keeping carpets still on the stairs

Q. What happens to your body as you age

A. When you get old, so do your bowels and you get intercontinental

Q. What is artificial insemination

A. When the farmer does it to the bull instead of the cow

Q. How can you delay milk turning sour

A. Keep it in the cow

Q. How are the main 20 parts of the body categorised (e.g. The abdomen)

A. The body is consisted into 3 parts - the brainium, the borax and the abdominal cavity. The brainium contains the brain, the borax contains the heart and lungs and the abdominal cavity contains the five bowels: A, E, I, O and U

Q. What is the fibula?

A. A small lie

Q. What does 'varicose' mean?

A. Nearby

Q. Use the word 'judicious' in a sentence to show you understand its meaning

A. Hands that judicious can be soft as your face.

AUSTRALIAN CRICKET JOKES

WHAT do you get if you cross the Australian cricket team with an OXO cube?
A laughing stock.

What do you call a world class Australian cricketer?
Retired!

The Australian bobsleigh team have asked the Aussie cricket team for a meeting. They want to ask their advice about going downhill so fast!

What's the difference between Ricky Ponting and a funeral director?
A funeral director doesn't keep losing the Ashes.

Did you hear what the stump microphones picked up when The Ashes skippers tossed the coin on Boxing Day?

Andrew Strauss called correctly and, quick as a flash, said to Ricky Ponting, "You lads can bat."
Just as quick, Ponting replied, "No, we can't. We really can't."

What do you call an Australian cricketer with a champagne bottle in his hand?
A waiter.

Of everyone in the Aussie team, who spends the most time at the crease?
The woman who irons their cricket whites.

What's the height of optimism?
An Aussie batsman putting on sunscreen.

What is the main function of the Australia coach?
To transport the team from the hotel to the ground.

On his way out into the middle to bat, Ricky Ponting gets a call from his wife, and teammate Michael Hussey tells her he's heading out to the middle. His wife replies: "I'll hold, he won't be long!"

What's the difference between an Aussie batsman and a Formula 1 car?
Nothing! If you blink you'll miss them both.

Who has the easiest job in the Australian squad?
The guy who removes the red ball marks from the bats.

What do Aussie batsmen and drug addicts have in common?
Both spend most of their time wondering where their next score will come from.

What did the spectator miss when he went to the toilet?
The entire Australian innings.

What's the Australian version of LBW?
Lost, Beaten, Walloped.

Why is Ricky Ponting cleverer than Houdini?
Because he can get out without even trying.

What does Ricky Ponting put in his hands to make sure the next ball is almost certainly going to be a wicket?
A bat.

What do you call a cricket field full of Australians ?
A vacant lot.

What does an Australian batsman who is playing in The Ashes have in common with Michael Jackson?
They both wore gloves for no apparent reason.

What's the difference between Ricky Ponting and a phoenix?
At the end of the ashes, the phoenix still has a future.

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Saturday 9th April - Jumble Sale in Welton Village Hall

Friday 6th May - Welton PDA Spring Lunch

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Day / Date		Time	Function	Venue
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Thurs	3	10:00 a.m.	Coffee Morning	Glenthams Village Hall
Thurs	3	10:30 a.m.	Coffee Morning	Field Lane, Normanby
Thurs	3	7:00 p.m.	Presence Bible Study & Prayer Group	Tilsit, Glenthams
Mon	7	10:00 a.m.	Baby & Toddlers Group	Glenthams Chapel
Mon	7	2:00 p.m.	Rainbow Fellowship	The Cottage, Normanby
Tues	8	7:30 p.m.	Glenthams & District Gardener's Club	Glenthams Village Hall
Wed	9	10:30 a.m.	Coffee Morning	Owmbly Road, Spirdlington
Wed	9	7:30 p.m.	Whist Drive	Saxom, Owmbly
Thurs	10	10:00 a.m.	Coffee Morning	Glenthams Village Hall
Sat	12	9:00 a.m.	Men's Breakfast	The Crown, Glenthams
Mon	14	12:00 p.m.	Glenthams 55+ Club Christmas Lunch	Glenthams Village Hall
Tues	15	10:30 a.m.	Coffee Morning	Trinity, Glenthams

March's Signpost Deadline Tuesday the 15th at 6:00 p.m.

Thurs	17	10:00 a.m.	Coffee Morning	Glenthams Village Hall
Thurs	17	8:00 p.m.	Rose Bowl Quiz	Glenthams Village Hall
Tues	18	2:00 p.m.	Chinese New Year Celebration Assembly	Normanby Primary School
Tues	18	7:45 p.m.	Royal British Legion Meeting	Welton Sports & Social Club
Sun	20	10:45 a.m.	Messy Church	Glenthams Chapel
Sun	20	1:00 p.m.	Snowdrop Sunday	Hackthorn Hall Gardens
Tues	22	7:30 p.m.	Helping the Homeless Open Meeting	William Farr School
Thurs	24	10:00 a.m.	Coffee Morning	Glenthams Village Hall
Thurs	27	7:00 p.m.	Presence Bible Study & Prayer Group	Tilsit, Glenthams

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