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Editorial

Welcome to the Winter Edition of Long Furrow.
This is the first edition we have produced as
your new editors and we hope you enjoy it. My
first task is to thank the previous editor Dennis
Bishop for his hard work and commitment to the
magazine, we wish him well for the future.

Within this latest issue you will find many
advertisements for Christmas activities around
the village. We are lucky to have so many
passionate and committed people on our village
who kindly give their own time to organise these
events and make them the success they are, we
hope you are able to support some of the events
this year or perhaps give some time of your own
to help. If you belong to an East Goscote based
organisation or group, and wish to include some
information about your group in a future edition
of the Long Furrow, please contact us and we
will do our best to accommodate you in a future
issue. Likewise, we are looking for new
volunteers who would be able to assist with the
existing deliverers with making sure you receive
your copy of the Long Furrow promptly after
printing, please contact us or Ian Clarke if you
can help, even if it is just delivering in
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It only remains to end this, our first editorial by
wishing you and your family a very Happy
Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.

Kind Regards

*Simon
and
Steph Bradshaw*

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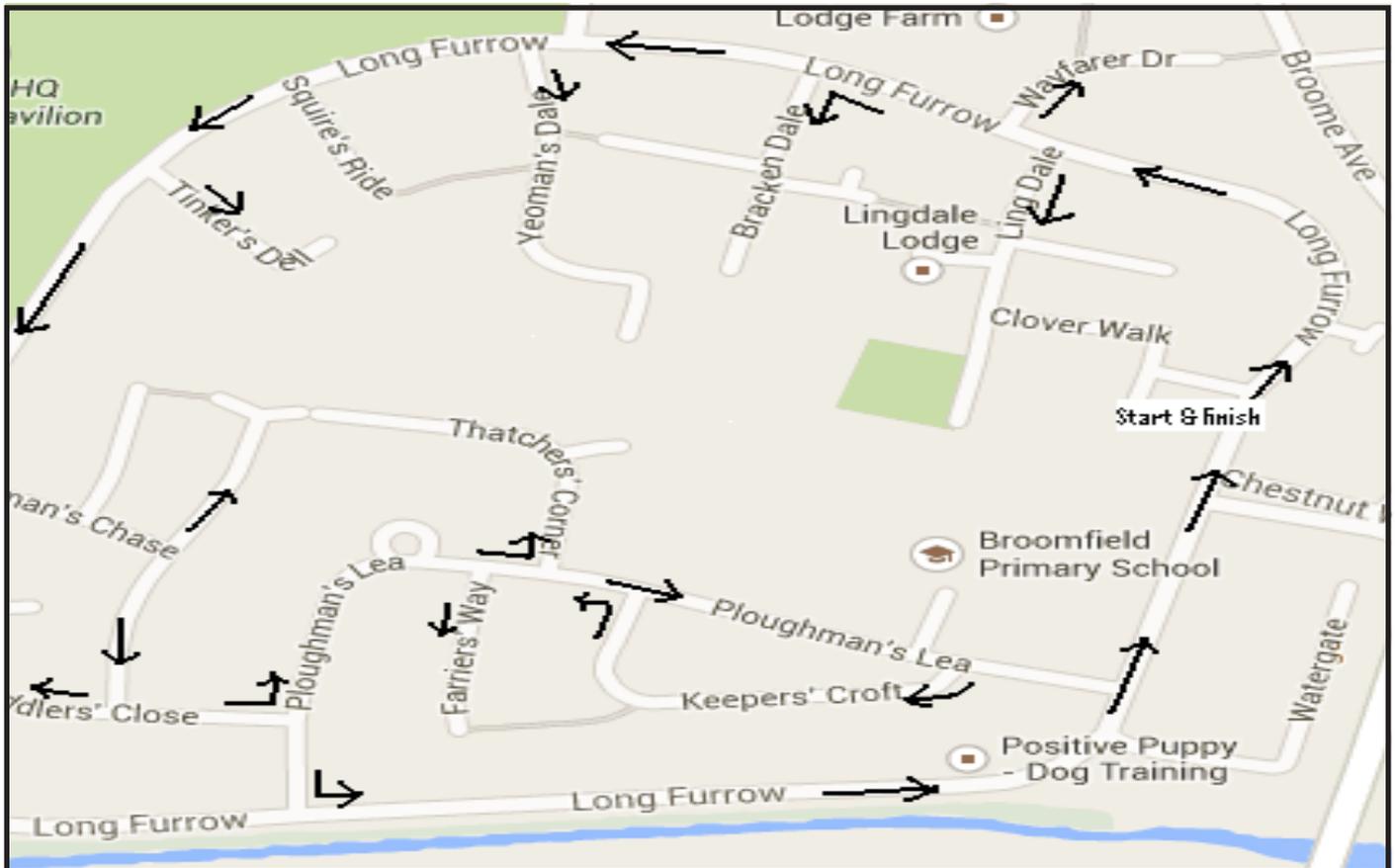
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Round Table is a national organisation made up of men aged between the ages of 18 and 45, who meet regularly to have fun and to engage with local communities. In Melton, we meet twice a month to do anything from scuba diving to 10-pin bowling, and we have raised over £10,000 in the past 5 years to donate to a mix of local charities, such as Mencap and the Scouts. This year, some of the collection will be given to VISTA and to East Goscote United FC, who have agreed to help us with the collection.

We are always looking for new members, so please feel free to ask us on the night, or contact us via our website www.meltonmowbray.roundtable.co.uk.



ROUNDTABLE



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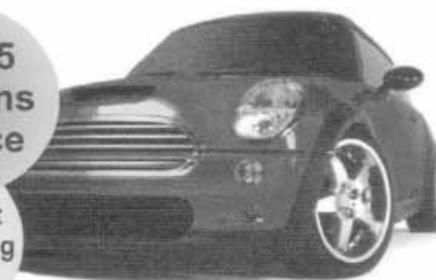
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Wow, what a smooth start to the new academic year we've had with all our new children settling-in with ease, helped by our older children who have shown great kindness towards them and supported by their key person who they developed a strong bond with from day one.

During our settling-in period we enjoyed role-play in our home corner and babies nursery. The children listened to traditional stories and joined in traditional rhymes, acting out some of the parts with props. Pastry play went really well with Dianne demonstrating her pie making skills!

A focus on 'Dora the Explorer' led to exploring our surroundings in the garden; the School garden and the school field with our magnifying glasses. The children also explored playdough, cornflour, shaving foam, sand, water and a variety of treasure baskets.

Construction was in abundance when we centred our activities on 'Bob the Builder'. The children created a variety of buildings/vehicles with the big builder, magnetico, duplo, bricks, mobilo and some marvellous models were created out of junk resources which the children were sooooo proud of!

We rounded off this half of the Autumn term with leaf printing, using our hands/fingers to create Autumn tree pictures; painting hedgehogs; sharing Autumnal stories such as PB Bear Catch that Hat; playing Kims game with Autumnal resources; making hedgehogs with playdough and straws and going on Autumnal observational walks around the village. A huge thank you to all the parents who supported this!

Phew.....bizzy by name, busy by nature!!!

Helen, Dianne, Lisa, Jayne, Tasha, Karen and Sarah



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Don't forget our Christmas Fair takes place on Saturday 16th November 11.00am—3.00pm at St Hildas Church



The Rainbows have been working on a new badge this term-the Roundabout seasons badge. We have made butterflies, hedgehog cakes, biscuits, bird food and sun catchers. For the rest of the term we will be making edible sparklers, and marshmallow igloos .We will also be preparing for Christmas with festive crafts. We will be joining Rearsby and Queniborough Rainbows for a Halloween Party.

I am very sad that this will be my last article for Long Furrow as I will finish running East Goscote Rainbows at Christmas due to changes to my work commitments. Helen (Pear) has also decided to finish after 4 years helping. Many thanks Helen for all your hard work.

I have been at East Goscote Rainbows for nearly 13 years and have really enjoyed the experience. It is very rewarding to see girls that I knew when I first started volunteering at Rainbows now going off to University and starting their adult lives.

This does mean that if the unit is to continue we urgently need 2 new leaders.

No experience is necessary and training will be provided. As well as feeling fulfilment in knowing that the girls have had fun and been able to try new experiences, volunteering for Rainbows will also allow you to gain experience working with children which is a good addition to any CV / job application. You can also attain the Girlguiding Adult leadership qualification.

Wreake Valley District covers East Goscote and Queniborough guiding units. These meet regularly to support leaders and also for social events. Through these I have certainly made some great friends.

Rainbows meets on Tuesday evenings. Please let me know if you, or anyone you know could help. It would be a great loss to East Goscote if the unit were to have to close. Please ask for more information. Contact Becky (Wreake Valley District commissioner) on 07985192959

Thanks for your continued support. I sincerely hope the girls of East Goscote can continue to have a Rainbow unit that they can enjoy for many years to come! This can only happen with new volunteers so please help us.

Have a great Christmas! Sue Bowles (Cedar) Tel 2375475 for enquiries

Helen (Pear), Mel, Sunflower and Rose

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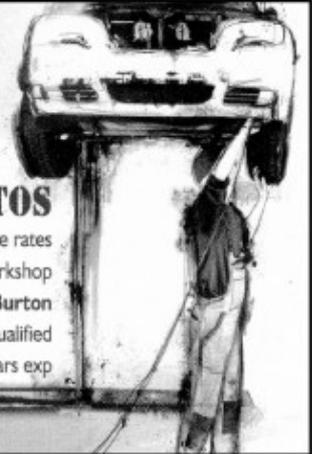
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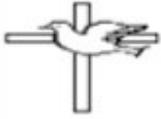
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ST HILDA'S CHURCH NEWS

NOVEMBER 2013

The season of Advent will soon be upon us. This is the time we prepare for Christmas itself and the celebration of the coming of the baby Jesus, God himself in human form, Jesus the Saviour.

The Christmas Tree Festival this year will take place on the weekend of 13th, 14th, 15th December. Opening times are Friday 6 p.m., Saturday 10.30 a.m. to 3.30p.m. and Sunday afternoon from 2p.m. At 4.0 p.m. on that Sunday afternoon there will be afternoon tea followed by the Carol Service. It would be lovely to see as many of you as possible during this weekend. Please come along and bring all the family. You will be very welcome.

Also for the first time, on Christmas Eve at 6.0 p.m. there will be a Crib Service. The children can dress the crib and they can come in nativity costumes if they want to – come as shepherds, kings, angels etc. There will not be a Midnight Mass at St. Hilda's this year and on Christmas Morning the churches at Thurmaston, Syston, Barkby and East Goscote will have a joint service led by the Rev. David White at 10 a.m. at Barkby Church. Christmas Communion at St. Hilda's will be on Sunday 22 December at 9.30 a.m. led by the Rev. David Brewin. Rev. Brewin used to be parish priest here quite a few years ago and it will be lovely to welcome him back.

A quiz is being held on Saturday 16 November at 7 p.m. Tickets are £5 each to include a light supper. Teams to be made up of 5 or 6 people please. The proceeds of this evening will go towards buying a purpose built trike for Leah, a little girl with special needs.

On Sunday 17 November there will be a Songs of Praise evening to celebrate St. Hilda's Day. The congregation are invited to pick their favourite hymns. Please come and join us for some of these events.

Jane Mercy – Church Warden

CHRISTIANS TOGETHER

OUR NEXT MEETING IS SUNDAY 24 NOV. 4.0 P.M.
AT ST. HILDA'S CHURCH

This is an opportunity for Christians from different denominations who live in the village and surrounding area to meet together. There is a time of Praise, Prayer and Bible study followed by tea. If you would like to come and join us you will be very welcome.

East Goscote Scout Christmas Celebration

We would like to invite all families, friends and former members of East Goscote Scout Group to our annual Christmas Celebration in St. Hilda's Church Centre on Tuesday 3rd December at 7pm. This is always a good evening with seasonal refreshments served at the end.

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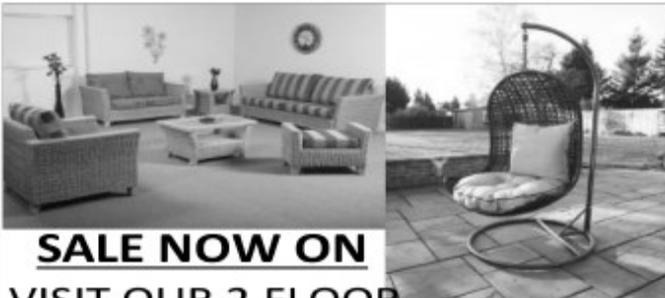
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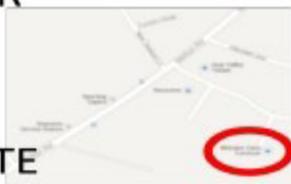


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Supporting the education of the children of East Goscote

Hello and welcome to what will (hopefully) be a regular feature with all the latest news from the Friends of Broomfield School (FOBS). We are a fundraising committee made up of willing parents and friends of the school with the support of the staff. We organise events throughout the year to raise funds to support the purchase of new equipment which can be used by staff to enrich and enhance our children's education.

I was elected as the new FOBS Chair at the AGM in September and I would like to take this opportunity to publically thank Debbie Cottam for her support and effort as a committee member and Chair of FOBS over a number of years.

I'm pleased to report that we donated about £2000 to the school last year. This has so far bought a mobile kitchen unit with an electric oven so that the children can cook in their classrooms and a range of outdoor play equipment for the children to use at break-time. The remainder will be used to further develop the playground facilities over the coming months..

I am very keen to work closely with the school, parents and the community at large in order to raise money to support our children's education. This year the focus of our fundraising will be the purchase of new ICT equipment. We all felt that this was a very fast moving area of technology and our kids deserve the best opportunity we can give them to develop their ICT skills.

I like to aim high and have set a fundraising target this year of £5000! I appreciate that this might sound like a lot and we do not expect parents to have bottomless pockets! We are hoping to get Charitable Status and will be applying for external grants to boost our coffers.

We hope that you will be able to support us where you can by joining in with our packed programme of events, offering sponsorship, donating prizes or even just baking a cake! If you think you can help in any way please get in touch!

Our next events are the first round of the Great Broomfield Bake Off on 22 November and the Broomfield Christmas Fair on 30 November. Please support us if you can!

Finally, if you have any ideas for fundraising, you would like to come and help at a particular event or would like to join the Committee please get in touch. Feel free to drop me a line directly at dr.diane.aston@gmail.com or 07968 450577.

You can also keep up to date by looking us up on Facebook, just search for Friends of Broomfield, East Goscote. Please 'like' us and 'share' us with your friends!

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Friends Of Broomfield School

We would like to invite you to join us for some festive fun at the Broomfield Christmas Fair on the afternoon of Saturday 30 November 2pm-4pm.

This is your ideal opportunity to do some early Christmas shopping as there will be stallholders selling a range of perfect presents; why not browse while enjoying a cuppa and a mince pie. The children can enjoy having a go on the stalls and games and they will be selling Christmas decorations that they have made using recycled materials.

We all know that Christmas can be an expensive time so there will be a stall selling used toys, games, books and cuddly toys, all in excellent condition. This is the ideal way for you to get rid of the toys that your kids have grown out of and stock up on new ones without breaking the bank!

We are also in discussion with the elves and Santa will be visiting to see all the children. All the kids that see Santa will be able to have their photo taken and will receive a small gift.

How can you help?

You can support the Christmas Fair in many different ways:

- Bake something, sweet or savoury, to sell on the Bake Stall or with refreshments. Please send these in to school on the morning of Friday 29 November.
- Please send any toys, games, books or cuddlies in to school on Friday 29 November. Please make sure that they are complete and in good working order. Please don't send in anything that you would not be willing to buy!
- You can have a stall to sell your goods or services for £10. Please get in touch to book your table as soon as possible as space is limited!

We hope that you will be able to come along and join in the fun! Its all in a good cause and we look forward to seeing you soon!

Diane Aston, FOBS Chairperson

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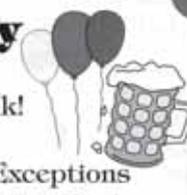
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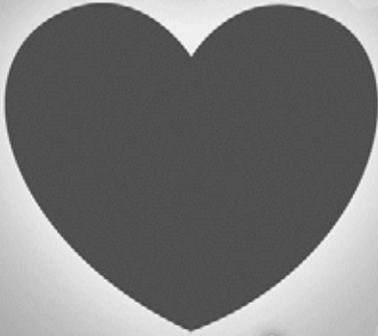
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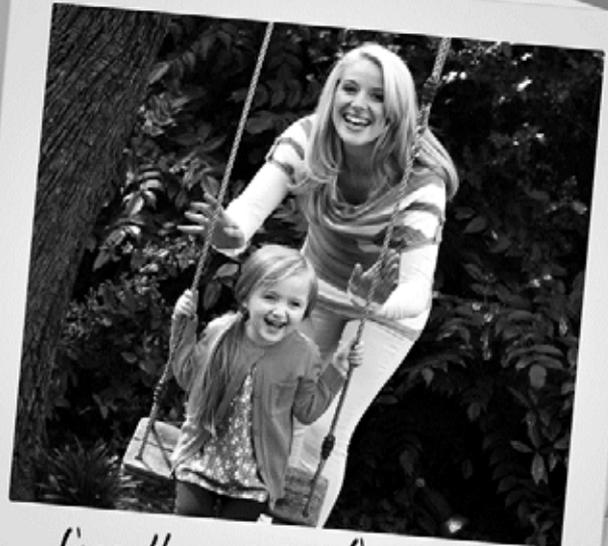
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East Goscote Parish Council News

New Councillor

Congratulations to our new Parish Councillor Tracey Beaver, who was co-opted onto the council in August. I'm sure she will bring a wealth of experience and knowledge as she previously was our Admin Assistant.

Councillor Training

Councillor Kelly Barber recently attended Councillor Training in September. The course was held by the Leics Parish Council Association and was reported to be excellent.

A Village e-communication Mailing List

Councillor Karen McCalman put forward a suggestion of creating an email Newsletter. This would enable the Parish Council to inform residents of Events, Neighbourhood Watch information, and News. If you would like to be included in the mailing list all you have to do is send an email to:

eastgoscoteparishcouncil@gmail.com putting "Mailing List" in the subject line of your email.

Pavilion

Work was planned in August to improve the driveway to the Scout Hut and The Pavilion. By now many of you will have seen that this work has been completed and has greatly improved the playing field area.

Neighbourhood Watch

A re-launch for this valuable service was held on Wednesday 18th September 2013. Please read separate article.

Street Lighting

On the 15th December 2009 the Leicestershire County Council Cabinet approved a project to reduce street lighting levels in the County in order to make savings. This Consultation relates to East Goscote where a street lighting "part-night" scheme (where lights are to be switched off between mid-night and 5.30am) is to be introduced.

The closing date for comments was 31st October 2013.

Changes could take effect from February/ March 2014. Advance notices will be installed around the village 2 weeks before the switch off.

Dog Fouling

The Don't Muck Around campaign's message this year is "You're old enough to know better!" The first strand this year will be launched on 30th September 2013. East Goscote, as requested will be monitored by street wardens. They will be visible and will be monitoring the dog fouling "problem" areas: – playing field, Weavers Wynd, and Long Furrow.

Sims

It's good to see our local having a makeover as being one of our main focal points in our village it sets a good impression on entering the village.

Christmas Events

It's that time of year again, the seasons are changing and no doubt some of our younger residents will already be writing their Christmas lists. This year's events will begin with Santa visiting the Village Hall from 6.00pm on Friday 13th December 2013. (Please see separate article).

On behalf of the Parish Council we wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Michelle Cadle

Parish Councillor





You will be missed... The Chairman and Vice Chairman presented **Yvonne Smith** with a certificate of thanks, some flowers, and a gift from the Council for all her hard work during her 9 years with East Goscote Parish Council. Yvonne worked extremely hard to ensure the Christmas Celebrations went well, even purchasing toys herself, and she served as Chairman of the Council between 2010 & 2011 as well as Chairman to the Village Hall Committee and Area Forum. Yvonne had a great deal of council knowledge and will be sadly missed.

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Police Report

In the run up to Halloween I distributed A4 posters to a number of locations in East goscote. I made personal visits to selected homes to deliver No/YES Trick or Treat posters. I visited Broomfield School and spoke to a very attentive audience at a full assembly about the origins of `Witches` and how they were dealt with in the 17th Century. On the night of Halloween I was on patrol all night in East Goscote and saw children and parents out and about having great fun scaring me to death. So far so good I thought until the police started to receive calls from residents who had had eggs thrown at their homes. They were naturally very upset and angry. It can be a very frightening experience not to mention the mess caused to windows and brickwork. Egg and shells must be cleaned off ASAP as when it dries it is very difficult to remove. To the idiots who committed this ASB (Anti-social behaviour) I say shame on you. You may have thought it entertaining to cause distress and upset to people, in reality you are nothing more than mindless fools who should grow up and behave as responsible, mature people. You bring shame on the community, your family and importantly yourselves.

On a lighter note I am pleased to report that incidents of crime continue to remain at a low level. During September and October the following offences have been reported...

- 13/9/13 Vehicle stopped and searched in The Warren – Class C drugs found.
- 24/9/13 Theft of sign posts from the Jubilee playing fields, Long furrow.
- 26/9/13 Theft of vehicle number plates from a vehicle parked in Lingdale.
- 14/10/13 Damage caused to a vehicle parked in Huntsmans Dale.
- 28/10/13 Damage caused to a window at the Village Hall.
- 29/10/13 Burglary occurred in Woodmans Chase where a rear door lower panel was forced and entry gained.

FACT. If your home has a burglar alarm your home is far less likely to be burgled. Burglars DO NOT like them. They find homes without an alarm more attractive. Please regularly review your Home and personal security and PLEASE READ my tips below which have a festive theme as it will soon be here.

The Twelve + 1 Top Crime Prevention Tips of Christmas. Please enjoy the Festive period but please follow these simple steps to ensure that your Christmas is not spoiled

1. A house left in darkness may indicate that no one is at home so use timer devices to switch on lights. Leaving a radio or television playing makes it sound as if someone is at home and can help to deter burglars.
2. Keep your curtains or window blinds closed at night to stop people seeing whether anyone is at home and to stop them seeing your possessions.
3. Make sure that you lock all windows and doors even if just leaving home for a few minutes.
4. Leave a spare set of keys with a trusted neighbour. Never leave them outside or in a garage or a shed.
5. Give consideration to whether you leave gifts under the tree. While they do look lovely to you they are also very inviting to a criminal glancing through the window. If you do display gifts under the tree leave it until much nearer Christmas.
6. After Christmas take present boxes to the council waste re-cycling centre or cut all the boxes up and conceal them prior to the arrival of the bin men. Unfortunately some criminals will look in rubbish bins to see what present boxes are there to decide whether or not to target an address.
7. Lock away garden tools and ladders and don't give a helping hand to the opportunist criminal by leaving them out. Consider securely chaining ladders and valuable tools as an extra deterrent.
8. Make sure that your Family do not leave valuable presents such as bicycles on the garden where they can easily be seen and stolen. Ensure that they are placed in a securely locked shed or garage.
9. If you are going out for the evening please ensure that you book your journeys with a reputable firm if you are going by taxi.
10. If you are going away make sure that your property is safe and secure by following a few sensible rules: Lock your doors. Astonishing thought it may sound some people will go away on holiday and not do this. Use timer devices to switch on lights and radios. Leave a spare key with a trusted neighbour to pick up mail and open or close curtains or blinds at appropriate times. Make sure that milk and newspaper deliveries are cancelled.
11. Don't advertise the fact that you're away on your telephone answering machine.
12. Don't advertise on Social Networking sites such as face book that you are going away. Please ensure that your children do not do this either.

“Don't leave your newly baked Christmas mince pies too close to an open window to cool just in case”

We know that you already do your best to protect your homes and families so the above is just a little reminder. However we really don't want anyone to become a victim of crime. So your vigilance has to be always even at Christmas. .

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EAST GOSCOTE NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

There has been a recent burglary in the village since the clocks have gone back. Please see this advice for this time of year

Burglars are less likely to target a home that looks occupied. Use a timer to switch lights on when you're out or away

Close your curtains and blinds so burglars can't see your valuables through your windows

Lock your sheds and outbuildings – and an outside light can blow the cover of darkness for a would-be thief.

Install a burglar alarm – the box on the front of your house will act as a visible deterrent.

Make sure all windows and doors are locked before you go out.

HELP PLEASE

There are a lot of houses in our village which currently do not have their own Neighbourhood Watch street contact, so we are looking for volunteers to do this job. All that is involved is to occasionally deliver notes through your neighbour's doors to inform them of any recent crimes in the area.

The streets needing a contact are:

Wayfarer Drive, Silver Birch Way, Fox Hollow, Tinkers Dell, Saddlers Close, Archers Green, Foxglove Close, Ling Dale, The Wolds, Bracken Dale, Strollers Way, Minstrels Walk, Foresters Row, Thatchers Corner, Pedlars Way; Tailors Link, Lilac Way, Meadow View, Honeysuckle Close, Willowbrook Way

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THE GREENER GOSCOTE PAGE - NOVEMBER 2013

THE NEW SALVATION ARMY CLOTHING BANK at the Recycling Centre behind the Post Office has got off to a very good start. Paul Ozanne, the National Recycling Co-ordinator at Salvation Army Trading Company (SATCoL) and Area Representative, Tom Richardson, have sent a message of thanks to local residents for their support. Following installation of the new bank on 22nd August, it has yielded 1225 kilos of clothing and shoes etc. The bank is monitored regularly by SATCoL and myself and after an initial overflow, possibly caused by a backlog built up during the absence of a clothing bank, has now settled down to an emptying frequency which keeps pace with donations. The Recycling Centre now looks tidier and has a much more uplifting image.

The first call on donated items is Salvation Army Charity shops followed by humanitarian need identified by SA in the UK. The remainder is exported providing much needed clothing overseas at a price people can afford. 99% on average of all donations are re-used or recycled, only 1% going for disposal. Duvets cannot be accepted but clothes and paired shoes, belts, handbags, sheets, blankets, towels and other household linen are all welcome. Clean and dry is essential and bagged is best. By donating, residents help SATCoL to create jobs locally, protect the environment by diverting a valuable resource from landfill and help those less fortunate at home and abroad. My view is that it is always best to donate directly to a known charity, either to the shop or using a genuine charity collection sack on collection day or through a bank like our new Salvation Army Clothing Bank. For more information see [satradringco](#) in [useful links](#) below. Many thanks to the Parish Council for facilitating this improvement.



Photos Left: The new Salvation Army Clothing Bank, Merchants Common Recycling Centre.

Right: Leaf Mould cages at The Green Place - the home of Complete Wasters and Composting Corner. Start a new cage each year.



COMPOSTING IN AUTUMN puts you back in touch with nature and the seasonal changes. As temperatures drop, decomposition slows and the materials change. You may need to create some space in your composter to get you through the winter so think about using some mature compost (usually at the bottom of the heap) as a mulch or transferring it to a maturing bin with holes in the bottom. Also think about insulating your composter. A corrugated cardboard lining and bubble wrap outside is good but don't make it air-tight. If your heap is open top, an old coat, carpet or blanket will stop it getting too wet.

There are masses of leaves about now. An ordinary compost heap will cope with some but large quantities of leaves are best dealt with separately. At Composting Corner, my demonstration site in Sileby, I now have two leaf mould bins made from chicken wire. Another technique is to fill black plastic bins bags with leaves, water them well, tie the tops, puncture some holes especially at the bottom, tuck them away in the garden and forget about them for a couple of years. When you open them you should have a brilliant crumbly rich seed compost. The Green Place, 6 Cossington Rd, Sileby is open Wednesday to Saturday 10 am until 4 pm from March to December. I'm there most Friday afternoons from about 2 pm so come and visit Composting Corner and have a chat with me about managing household waste in a greener way. For more information, see the Complete Wasters website in [useful links](#) below.

CONTACT US: Master Composters and Waste Action volunteers promote home composting and sustainable household waste management on behalf of the Leicestershire Waste Partnership made up of Leicestershire County Council and the seven Districts of Leicestershire with Leicester City Council as an associate member. For free, impartial information and advice on composting and recycling, contact David on 2606773, 07724891627 or david.cannon9@btinternet.com. Other useful links: www.lesswaste.org.uk, www.completewasters.co.uk, www.recyclenow.com, www.lovefoodhatewaste.com, www.leics.gov.uk/index/environment, www.charnwood.gov.uk/pages/recycling, www.satradringco.org

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U8's Manager	Tom Borland	07801535040	Twinning Association	Eileen Ellis	0116 2605933
U10's manager	Nick Clayton	07745546850	Village Hall Bookings		
U11's Girls Manager	Simon Riley	07903378614	Waste Action/Compost	David Cannon	0116 2606773
U13's Girls Manager	Paul Kirk	07860585056	Wreake Runners	Matthew Noble	0770 8021436
Friends of Broomfield	Diane Aston	07968450577	Wreake Valley Lions	Mrs C Grimes	0116 2608412
Friendship Club	Gill Morton	0116 2601977	Wreake Valley Rotary Club	John Squire	0116 2592788
Guides	Julia Bolton	0116 2608524	Wreake Valley Youth Club	Carol Baxter	0116 2608858
LCC Councillor	Dave Houseman	0116 2600848	Village Faults/Emergences		0790 8504757
LCC Mountsorrel Tip		0116 3050001			
Library		0116 3053510			



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