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The members of the Club gave their support to the idea and a project was born. The Club set about raising the funds to enable the provision of the Facility. Various money raising events were held. The most popular of these was probably the annual Real Ale Festival which is now held in April of each year. Once the funds were in place plans were drawn and the necessary permissions obtain and a builder contracted to undertake the work.

The facility was formally opened on Wednesday 26th May by Rtn Fred Sleath and Ruth Wheeler, widow of the project architect John Wheeler. The keys were handed over to Councillor Josie Branson of Syston Town Council and the facility is now available for public use.



We are looking for volunteers to help with Guide and Rainbow units both in East Goscote and Queniborough. Can you spare a few hours a month to help? Making a difference to girls' lives and helping them achieve their potential is hugely rewarding, but there are lots of benefits for you too.

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Helpers are *vital* to Guiding and *you* can help make a difference. For more information please contact Susan Round, Wreake Valley District Commissioner, on (0116) 2607774.

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EDITORIAL

Welcome to the July edition of Long Furrow. It caught me, and I suspect several contributors, "on the hop", since it seems we have only just finished the last issue. However, summer is truly on us now. Personally I look forward to slightly cooler, wetter weather, probably not everybody's wish!

The magazine has a slightly different look this time. I have changed from using Serif Page Plus, back to Microsoft Publisher, for various reasons. It would be interesting to receive comments (constructive please!) from time to time about the layout, and contents. There was reduced input from contributors this time, so I have included some quizzes and quotes etc. Some quizzes are easier than others, and hopefully suitable for young and old, and the answers can be found somewhere else in the magazine.

I know it can be a difficult time for families during school holidays, finding things to occupy the children, so I was doing a bit of research on the internet. One site worth having a look at is found at www.netmums.com/summer . On this page click on 101 things to do, and there is a wealth of ideas, costing next to nothing to do. Of course it applies to dads as well as mums! Note also that Charnwood Council is providing several activities in the village during the summer holidays (see p. 27)

There are several other things which look interesting, including the National Wood Fair (p.16) at Beacon Hill on 30th August. Also it may be worth having a walk around Watermead, (p.18) to see the new facilities which they have received awards for.

A lot of money goes into preserving the environment, (p.13), so it is sad to see vandals at work again trying to destroy the environment (p.11). It may be difficult to confront vandals, but at least we can report what we see, and hopefully reduce the damage.so we can all enjoy our surroundings.

Dennis Bishop

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If the thought of this spurs you into action, why not come and do some running with us? We meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays at 6:45. Running with others makes the experience so much more enjoyable and the rewards in terms are improvement of really noticeable.

During the school holidays, we meet in the car park of the Syston Rugby Club and run round the roads and footpaths in the area. All abilities are more than welcome. For more information, see our website www.wreakerunners.co.uk or phone 2606889.

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Commenting the Executive Director of Age Concern, Mr Anthony Donovan said, "Most people appreciate that it is extremely important to make a Will, but either never get round to it or continue to put it off on the basis that they are too young and it is something that they will do when they are much older. Unfortunately 7 out of 10 people die without sorting it out, in spite of the clear benefits. By making a Will you take the pressure off those nearest and dearest to you who will receive your money and property, rather than it being left to the rules of law to decide."

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Rainbows have had a busy summer term. We welcomed 7 new members and had our biggest enrolment ceremony ever. We hope Phoebe, Lily-Mae, Megan, Mia, Aimee ,Eva and Olivia enjoy their time with us.

We say goodbye to Jessica at the end of term and wish her well at Brownies.

We welcomed the summer by making paper mache vases and made paper flowers to fill them . We had an evening of fruit-making fruit kebabs and smoothies. We made photo cubes as father's day gifts and went on an outdoor trail. We plan to end the term with a football themed picnic in the park.

We hope you all have a relaxing summer break and that the sun shines!



Thanks for your continued support.

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Erica (Cherry) and Helen

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SUDOKU

If you have never had a go, try this. An exercise in logical thinking. They say it is addictive!

Instructions:

Each Sudoku has a unique solution that can be reached logically without guessing. Enter digits from 1 to 9 into the blank spaces. Every row must contain one of each digit. So must every column, as must every 3*3 square

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Our summer term at Bizzy Bees Preschool has been packed with full of fun and stimulating activities.....The terms activities were based around the children's interests and their favoured experiences. Our garden has provided further opportunities for learning and development as



always. Some of our experiences included role-play in our library; clothes/shoe shop and Hairdressers. We have enjoyed pastry, cornflour, baked beans, smash, cous cous play; marble/string painting beautiful butterflies; Den building in the garden; parachute games; football and basketball games to name a few!

In the early part of the term we had a 'stay and play' week where many parents took the opportunity to play at Preschool, the children loved bringing them in. During the term we had our annual sports day on Broomfield School playing field. The weather was perfect and brought out the biggest crowd of supporters for the children we have ever had, thank you all for making this event so special.

Lastly our summer term concluded with our Leavers Ceremony where we said goodbye to our school leavers; presented them with certificates and sang to them to wish them well. Good luck to all those children who will be going to Broomfield, Sileby Schools and one child going to Hazel Street School.



STOP PRESS.....If you haven't already heard, we have the most exciting news for the children of Bizzy bees Preschool, the parents, the staff and all those on our waiting list, or yet to be placed on it...the Preschool is moving to the bungalow on the grounds of Broomfield School! There are a whole host of benefits/opportunities to be gained from this move and welcome interested people to our Open Day on Wednesday 1st September between 10a.m. and 2p.m.

Bye for now from Dianne, Helen, Tasha, Angela, Jayne, Karen and Lisa

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Vandalism

Vandalism to our village over the weekend of 11th and 12th June. Unfortunately the village is once again suffering from mindless vandalism.

One picture shows our play area outside the school/church which had the wet pour safety surfacing ripped up at a substantial cost to replace.

The other picture shows the pavilion metal cladding, which had 40 dents where large rocks had been thrown at it.

Unfortunately it appears that no one heard or saw anything, although the noise of the rocks on our pavilion must have been very loud for the houses bordering the field.

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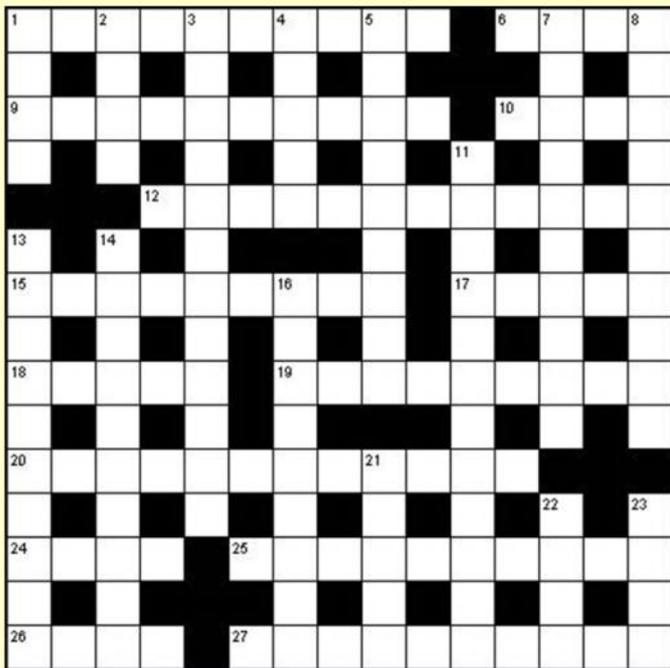
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 1 Came across a record concerning journalist (10)
 6 Language of old city belonging to the French (4)
 9 They'll get wrongly blamed for heading off escape by animals (10)
 10 There's potato in Mum's pudding (4)
 12 Style of cooking providing contrasts (5-3-4)
 15 Country-loving Irishman in charge of containing disturbance (9)
 17 Giving note to terrorists makes one angry (5)
 18 One who latches on to another is a sucker (5)
 19 Sailor's intent perhaps is to be self-restrained (9)
 20 A comment sure upset in due proportion (12)
 24 Man told to get on his knees? (4)
 25 Boundary rope may produce such a decision (10)
 26 E.g. dogs returning from walk (4)
 27 Not quite one's best friend on the ship (6,4)

DOWN
 1 Pretty girl gets some food (4)
 2 Animal found in sea location (4)
 3 Fat little Edward is biased (12)
 4 The First Lady touring Oklahoma will awaken memories (5)
 5 The thresholds of delights (9)
 7 Heartless robbers go off with a pet. The villains! (10)
 8 Below, below, below (10)
 11 Managed to get clergyman in dead awkward situation (12)
 13 They are seeking work after demolition of aspic plant (10)
 14 Steam railway takes on head of Railtrack to improve efficiency (10)
 16 To perform in a different key, one's parts must be arranged (9)
 21 Went on horseback round cowboy show (5)
 22 Junk mail from the capital (4)
 23 Nothing but a lake (4)

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Good News! There has been an arrest for some of the recent burglaries in the area. However it is still a good idea to be careful, especially during the hot weather as many burglaries occur when there is easier access via open doors and windows! Also I know someone who was burgled recently but because entry was made through an unlocked back door their insurance company would not pay out, even though there was somebody in the house at the time!

We have a new beat officer in East Goscote. His name is Chris Hayton and his collar number is 1948.

Ellen Hewitt (0116 2608224)

THE GREENER GOSCOTE PAGE

Have you ever wondered where the contents of East Goscote's purple (or green or red if you've got any left) recycling sacks and boxes of glass go to and how on earth all that lot is sorted out ? Well I thought I did but was aware that my knowledge must be getting out of date. My most recent visit to an MRF (Materials Recycling Facility) must be about five years ago before I retired as Charnwood's Recycling Officer and that was to the Leicestershire County Council plant at Whetstone.

Well things have moved on a bit as you might guess so I asked if I could see how things are done today. Kath Kay, Charnwood's Waste Policy Manager kindly arranged a visit to Greenstar's Aldridge plant. I took my wife (because I know how to treat a girl) and we met up with two officers from Charnwood at this massive plant near Walsall, West Midlands. Charnwood's recycling is processed at the Leicester Paper Processors site which was recently taken over by Greenstar. However that site is not geared up for guided tours and when you take a trip around the Aldridge plant, you can understand why that is.

We were all issued with personal protective equipment (high viz vests, hard hats, ear defenders and an intercom so that the guide could make himself heard above the din. We weren't allowed to take photographs but by far the best insight you can get is to view the Greestar video. Go to www.greenstar.co.uk , press the Recycling and Recovery button, choose Greenstar Facilities and then click on the Aldridge, West Midlands site and view the video. There's masses of other information on this web site about what can and does happen to recyclables.

I knew roughly what to expect in terms of the noise, smell and general unpleasantness of plants like this but the sheer scale of the operation was an order higher than anything I had seen before. For the best part of an hour we were led along a maze of cat walks, steel stairways, platforms and viewing stations to see mixed recyclables sorted, divided, graded, tipped and baled using a vast array of conveyor belts and sorting devices and an army of men and women 90% of whom were central European (mostly Polish) in origin. I think a shift comprised two 3 and a half hour sessions with a half hour break with the remainder of the 24 hours and the half hour breaks devoted to maintenance and clearing contamination from various points in the machinery.

As plants like this go, it was the best I have seen for safety and personnel protection. Everyone that I saw wore gloves, high viz vests, hard hats and ear defenders. There were plenty of trigger wires so the machinery can be stopped quickly in the event of an accident or a serious danger to the plant. The situation is constantly monitored at a number of electronic stations around the plant so the supervisor can assess problems quickly and restart the process with the minimum of delay which is important when there's 40 tonnes or so coming in an hour ! But there is no getting away from the fact that diverting our household waste from landfill is a very repetitive and unpleasant task. Perhaps the best thing we can do is make sure we are putting only the right stuff into our sacks and boxes (see links below).

Charnwood and Serco seem to have made a wise choice in arranging for our recyclables to go to Greenstar. With so many Greenstar plants around the country, it is possible for them to bail each other out if there is a problem for example at the Coalville plant. Material could be bulked up and shipped to the nearest plant with capacity and that was indeed happening on the day we visited – not with Charnwood's material but for some other District with a problem. That contrasts vividly with the problems we used to experience if there was a breakdown at Whetstone. Real progress has been made.

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Village Hall Pre-School Playgroup

Hello everyone,

To say that we have been busy really is an understatement; Starting summer term we have been exploring our local area going on fantastic walks, visits to our local shops, and spent lots of energy swinging, climbing, spinning and sliding at the park, we also had story time at the library which the children thoroughly enjoyed, in conjunction with this we moved on to explore different jobs and people that help us, shopkeeper, Librarian, police, fire brigade, doctors, nurses and paramedics, imagine the surprise on their little faces when an Ambulance pulled up outside, Kindly organised by one of our parents, all of the children had a turn to climb aboard and have a good look around. Some children mysteriously took ill and needed to lay down on the stretcher, there were numerous willing doctors and nurses on hand and a full recovery was made in seconds. The visit ended with everyone covering their ears as the lights flashed and the very loud sirens sounded. All the children received a sticker before going inside to create ambulances of their own at our craft table.

We had a great day at the scout fete even the sun came out for us this year!!! Thank you to the parent and community for your support we had lots of fun seeing new and old friends, with the gratefully received donations we



were able to purchase a new large construction kit, which has proved to be very popular, we had some very imaginative creations such as space rockets, racing cars, castle and dens; a fantastic new addition to pre-school.



Of course we have been supporting England in the world cup, the children have made England flags, created small world football stadiums followed by an exciting penalty shootout. We think we may have some new up and coming England player

in the making!!!

This term ends with us looking 'Around the World', visiting different countries flying from our role-play airport, making our own passports, and suitcases. The children have enjoyed sharing some of their own travelling experiences with their friends.

We will be saying a fond farewell to some of our children who leave us to go to big school, we wish them all the very best as their learning journey continues.

If you wish to know more about us please contact Sally Lander.

Until next time happy holidays!

Sally, Caroline, Lisa, Tina and Elaine. (welcome to our dedicated team, Elaine)

BALLOONS

There are four friends (Adam, Elizabeth, Peter, Sally) and each has a balloon. From the clues below can you match each of them with their age and balloon?

The kids are aged 5, 6, 7 and 8 and one of them has a blue balloon.

1. The six year old girl has a green balloon.
2. Adam has a red balloon and is older than Peter.
3. Elizabeth is 5 years old but her balloon isn't yellow.



Name	Age	Balloon

Try this one . . Can you do it alone . . Or do you need help?

Look for the answers somewhere else in the magazine!

East Goscote Twinning Association

On May 13th our friends from Fleury sur Andelle arrived, some by plane and some by car.

Thursday was spent with families after collecting from East Midlands Airport.

Friday we had a very enjoyable time at Trentham Gardens, Weather could have been kinder.

Saturday was spent with families. In the evening we all gathered at Beedles Golf Club for a Carvery Supper. This was very enjoyable with background music and film show of 30 years of Twinning. A gift of a model of the Eiffel Tower with a mirror base with plaque was presented to us.

On Sunday some attended a Church Service at St.Hildas to rededicate the Bell as our French friends could not be here last year.

It was after the Service that we found out that the Airport was closed due to volcanic ash. Those in car were able to take extras back,

The remaining were then taken to Dover by 2 of our members in their cars. We are grateful to them for this, making sure that they were able to catch a ferry to France. They all got home safely. A very good weekend was had by all.

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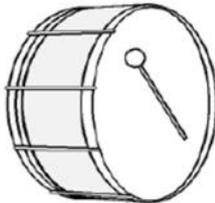


Three friends, Eddie, Emma and Eric are learning to play different musical instruments. From the clues, can you work out the age of each friend (9, 10, 11 years) and the instrument each one is learning to play?

1. Eddie is older than the friend who is learning to play the violin but younger than the friend who is learning to play the trumpet.

2. Emma is younger than Eric.

3. One of the friends is learning to play the drums.



Name	Age	Instrument
Eddie		
Emma		
Eric		



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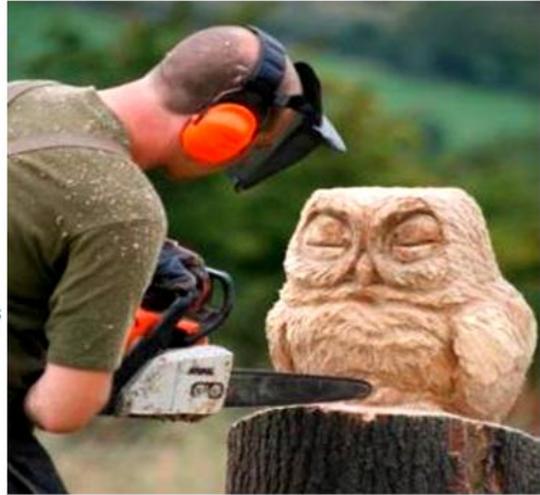


**** The next one is 30th August 2010 - 10am-5pm ****

The Wood Fair promotes sustainable forestry and woodland leisure, showcases wood crafts and products and celebrates all aspects of wood, with fun activities and local food.

Something for all the family

- Don't miss the live demonstrations of woodworking skills, craft displays and chainsaw sculpting.
- There's plenty for children - stories from the Wild Man of the Woods, birds of prey, craft activities, archery and the brilliant climbing wall.
- Find out more about woodlands - from tree planting to felling. Talk to the experts and watch forestry in action including timber processing and horse logging.
- Take a break in the Food Area where you'll find a great selection of delicious locally produced food.
- And that's not all! There will also be an exciting lumberjack show, longbow displays, charity auction and a fascinating programme of talks on trees and woodland.



Sample the Wood Fair - See the 2009 Programme

If you want a preview of what you can see and do the 2009 guide is available here. [Download the guide \(1mb\)](#)

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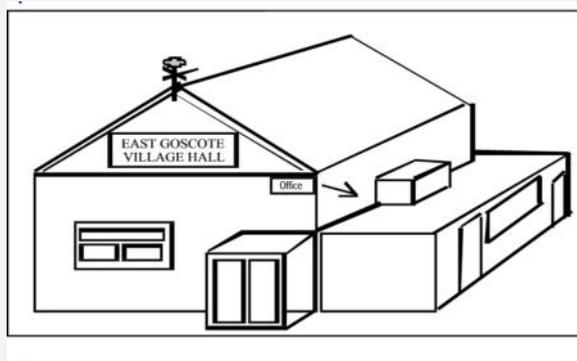
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EAST GOSCOTE COMMUNITY SCHEME 2010

The Parish Council are pleased to announce that the Community Scheme will be re-instated this year. However due to legal reasons, the Parish Council has donated funds to the East Goscote Village Hall (Registered Charity) with a view to the village hall committee managing and taking full responsibility for this years' community Scheme.

The Village Hall Management Committee held a meeting on 19th April and Resolved to accept the donation and run the scheme.

The Committee have agreed to operate the scheme as follows:-

All Applicants must be aged 65 or over

A voucher amounting to £5 will be given per household

The Scheme will operate between Friday 3rd December and Monday 20th December

Application forms will be available in the Winter Edition of the Long Furrow Magazine and from the Village Hall Offices.

All Village Shops/Public house will be invited to take part in the scheme.

Vouchers can be exchanged for whole or part payment of any purchase and no cash refunds will be given.



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People across the UK will be supporting the 2010 Big Knit campaign by knitting a target of 640,000 little woollen hats to sit on innocent smoothie bottles in November in Boots and Sainsbury stores nationwide.

Age Concern Leicester Shire & Rutland has pledged to make 12,000 little hats and needs your help to achieve this challenging total which will assist its winter warmth campaign.

Knitters can get a simple knitting pattern from Clarence House in Humberstone Gate and Lansdowne House, 113 Princess Road East, by post or online at www.ageconcernleics.com. If you don't fancy knitting yourself, wool and needles can be donated to Age Concern centres. For more information on the Big Knit contact Age Concern Leicester Shire & Rutland on 0116 2237344.

Peter Ralphs, Business Development Manager at Age Concern Leicester Shire & Rutland, said: "The more little hats we make for the smoothie bottles, the more money we can raise. It really is fun and relatively quick to do as the hats are so little, while the more advanced knitters can try varying the theme! Anyone can knit for us, and good knitters could use this opportunity to share their talents by teaching someone else how to make one, while supporting a great cause.

Nearly 90 per cent of all excess winter deaths are of people over the age of 65. Older people can be less resilient to cold-related illnesses especially if they have existing health problems. Older people are also the most likely to be affected by fuel poverty, so often cannot afford to heat their homes properly. "

Please send your knitted hats in to Age Concern Leicester Shire & Rutland (Ref: BDM), Lansdowne House, 113 Princess Road East, Leicester, LE1 7LA by the end of September.

Watermead Connect2 project ahead of schedule

Work on the £1.4 million Connect2 project to improve footpaths and cycleways in and around Watermead Country Park is ahead of schedule.

Leicestershire County Council has now largely completed construction work within the park's boundary - the next stage of the scheme is to improve links into the park from nearby villages including crossing points at busy roads.

Work completed so far includes over two kilometres of improved paths and a trio of award winning bridges at Thurmaston and Birstall Locks, which were highly commended at the recent ICE (Institution of Civil Engineers) awards.

The improvements are all part of the Sustrans Connect2 project which won a share of £50 million Big Lottery Fund grant in December 2007 following a public vote.

F.O.B.S.

WE NEED YOUR HELP

Can you spare just a few hours of your time and live in East Goscote ?

.then Friends of Broomfield School would like to see you at our next meeting, approx 6.00pm on Thursday 16th September 2010 in the school staff room. Just come to the main entrance and ring the bell, you will be made very welcome, plus tea and cake supplied.

We only hold approx four friendly meetings a year, which we discuss ways in which we can organise fund raising events for Broomfield Primary school. These include end of term Children's Discos, Midsummer Madness stalls, Family BBQ and Disco's, Talent Shows, Cake Raffles. Our next event is the Pamper Evening of stalls and mini beauty treatments. Look out for the posters for more details about this event.

We don't expect everyone to help at every event, just the ones you have the time for, even if it's only baking a cake for the raffle it will be appreciated.

Raising money for our local community school is a worth while cause as it helps the staff to buy extra teaching equipment to give the children a better start in life.

We hope to see you at our September meeting or if you would like to know more about our group, please contact Debbie, Tel 07919 092341

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Balloon	Age	Name

Elizabeth is 5 years old (clue 3), so Sally is 6 and has a green balloon (clue 1). Adam has a red balloon and is 8, so Peter is 7 (2 and above). Elizabeth doesn't have a yellow balloon (3), so blue. By elimination, Peter's balloon is yellow.

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Charlotte's Christening

Monday May 10th was a very special day for all children in Year 1. They visited St Hilda's Church to attend the christening of Charlotte Broomfield.

Charlotte (the doll's) name was chosen by the children. Eva and Peter were selected to be Charlotte's parents and Fin, Olivia and Poppy-Ann were asked to be Godparents. Mrs Dodd brought in her family's christening gown to show the children and each child created an invitation for the service. The Rev. Liz Angell conducted the service and talked to the children about the special clothes she was wearing and explained the significance of the naming ceremony. Following the church service the children headed back to school for a special party with cakes and juice. Charlotte was given presents including a baby book and a silver bracelet.



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Mad Science!

Key stage 2 children had a visit from the Mad Scientists on Monday 17th May. All the children went into the hall for a fun introductory science road show for the first hour, following this they visited each class in turn to run practical sessions according to the science topics being studied at the time. Year 3 children were looking at Light and Shadow, Year 4s solids and liquids and Year 5 changing sounds. The year 6 class were studying electricity and circuits and completed a human circuit by holding hands causing a buzzer to beep. The children all found the day very entertaining and they had great fun participating in the experiments.



Class Act

Following the success of the SEALS (Spencer, Ethan, Adam and Louie) at Broomfield's got Talent, the fab four Beatles tribute competed in 'Class Act', which was held at Roundhill High School on Thursday May 20th. Class Act was a talent contest in which several schools in the area participated. The SEALS came a fantastic fourth place and everyone at Broomfield is extremely proud of them. Well done boys.

Pirate Party



On Wednesday 26th June the Foundation stage was taken over by pirates! The children invited their parents and grandparents in to school hall to join in their pirate party. All the children helped to prepare the food including Treasure Island cakes, Rock cakes and Barrel sandwiches. Dressed as pirates all children and adults played games such as 'Walk the Plank' and the children were

much better than their parents at getting the cannons into the net. The Foundation stage 2 children beat the parents at the quiz and they finished the jolly party off with a song and a dance.

Midsummer Madness

Friday 18th June saw the first half of Broomfield school's annual sports day. Foundation Stage One children started the day off at 11am taking part in races like: running races, bean bag races, holding hand races and racket and bean bag races. The children said their favourite race was the racket and bean bag race.

At 1pm Key Stage Two children started their sports day. The sun was shining and all was going well until, drip, drop, drip, drop! The heavens opened and it didn't stop!



Despite the rain the stalls and games went ahead in the hall after school and the Midsummer Madness family barbeque and disco was a great

success on the Saturday night.

Sports day take two took part on Friday 25th June, Key Stage Two children started again at 1pm. They had 10 different activities such as: shuttle runs, a water race and a mat race etc.



At 2pm

Key Stage One and Foundation Stage Two children had their sports day. They had all sorts of different races such as: skipping race, quoits race, running race, racket and bean bag race and holding hands race.



The sun continued to shine for the rest of the day which ended with a tot's race and a very competitive mum's race!

By Ben and Joshua Year 6

Thank you

Thank you once again to everyone who supported the Midsummer Madness event, your wonderful support has raised over £1,000! A huge thank you also goes out to all members of FoBs (Friends of Broomfield) who give their valuable time and commitment towards raising funds for the school.

Year 4 Multisports

On Monday 28th June 2010 15 year 4 children went to a multi-sports festival at Loughborough University. There were 12 different activities, 2 rest stations and a lunch break. Most children from Broomfield enjoyed the football game and the basketball game the best. We also participated in Frisbee, running with a baton, curling, badminton, rolling balls, passing a basket ball, hitting a post with a tennis ball and hockey.

The final winners were Rearsby School, unfortunately not Broomfield, but well done everyone for taking part.

By Jacob and Ellie Year 4.



Year 5 and 6 Residential to the Pioneer Centre

This term year 5 & 6 went on a residential trip to the Pioneer Centre. They stayed over for two nights and had a great time! There were lots of exciting activities, ranging from caving to high ropes.



All the activities were different in their own way but very enjoyable. Even when people were nervous they had a go and always tried their best. One of the pupils called Molly commented: 'It was a once in a lifetime opportunity!' The classes were split into 5 different groups and they all had an instructor and member of Broomfield staff. Grace explained that the instructors encouraged them to try new things and challenge themselves.

The Pioneer Centre is visited from people all around the World from Germany to Poland. Broomfield enjoyed their visit to the Pioneer Centre and hope that they will go again in the future.



By Molly and Grace Year 6.

Ingenuity

All year 3s, 4s and years 5 and 6 who didn't go on the residential trip took part in an ingenuity team event at school on Tuesday 29th June.

We all went into the hall and got put into groups. Both teams had boys and girls and a mixture of year groups in them.

Our first activity was building a space station out of Lego. I built a playground. We were all working our socks off!



After that, we went to our second activity which might be the best one. We made a structure out of paper clips and art straws. It was difficult but fun.

Then the whole group went to the third activity, which was bridge building. We had to build a bridge out of newspapers and selotape. It was 50cm long. The first test was to put a car onto the bridge. Next we put 10 cars on the bridge. The last test was to get Miss Jelly to sit on the bridge. Our group's bridge didn't break!!

By Alfie Year 3.

Snibston Discovery Park

On Thursday 1st July we went on a school trip to Snibston. First we had to put our bags on the bus. On the way there I played with Shivani and lots of other people. When we got there we put all of our things into a box. First we went into the museum and had a look around, I liked pulling the car up as high as I could.

Next we went to the park, first I went on the netting playground. After that I went on the sand pit to go down a pole with Fay, I was playing Mums and Dads with her.

Then it was lunchtime, we had lunch in a very old train. I sat near Shivani, Lewis and Jamie. After lunch we went to go and put our lunch away and get our money out of our bags.

Next we went to the gift shop to buy some toys. I bought some jelly, squishy fish. I gave one away to Hannah and we went home after that.

By Bethany Year 3.

Puzzle Verse

Can you fit the underlined words correctly into the grid? One letter has already been entered to get you started.

I'm contented

by Duncan MacKellar

It's very satisfactory.

To be a dairy cow.

I'm glad I'm not a kangaroo.

A penguin or a sow.

I wake up in the morning.

I'm watered and I'm fed.

The only thing I've got to do is stroll to the milking shed.

I like the summer best of all.

The fields are filled with corn.

It makes me feel grateful.

For the day I was born.

There's not a lot that bothers me,

When all is said and done.

I've even got a leafy tree

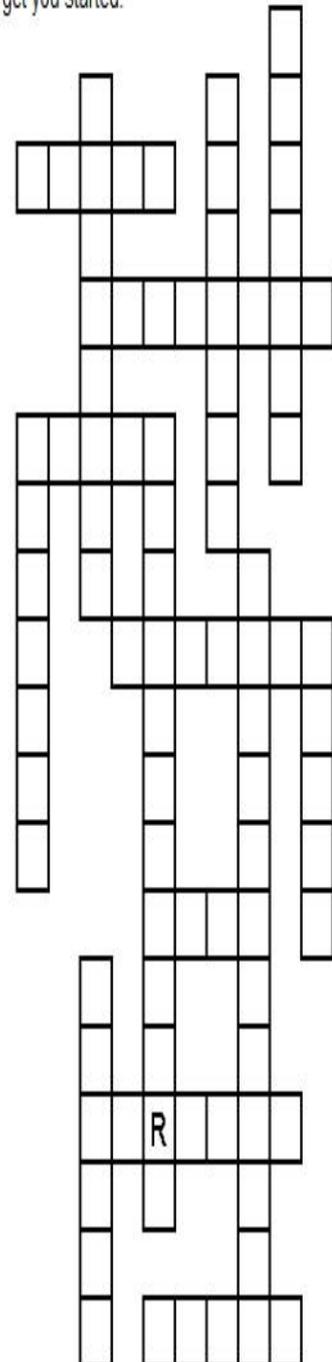
To shade me from the sun.

So while the grass is green

And I'm out here with the birds.

You'll never hear from me,

Any discontented words.



AFTERNOON TEA CLUB

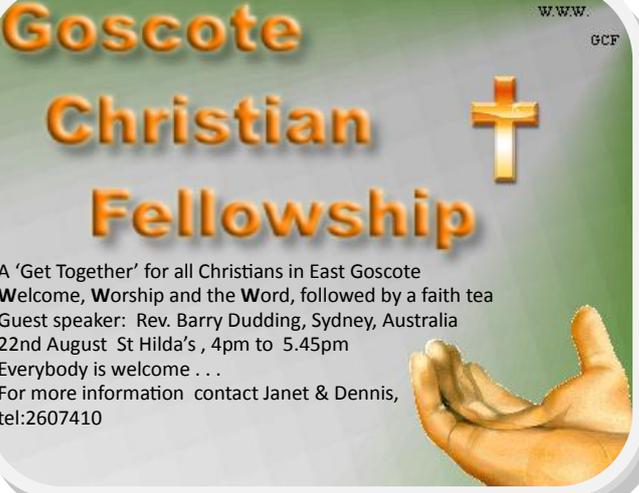
We meet every Tuesday between 2pm-4pm for a chat - we put the world to rights. Some play board games, we do have a set of indoor bowls if anyone would like to play a game. We have a lunchtime meal once a month. Please drop in for a chat and a drink.

We would like to say a BIG THANKYOU TO Julie, Dave and Kyle from Mr. D. The Butcher. Who gave us the meat for our last meal.

22 folk sat down to a Roast Pork dinner with all the trimmings followed by rhubarb crumble [rhubarb donated by Beryl Jones- thank you Beryl].

For further information contact Jessie 2606581 or Tricia 2609088 or better still just a call in on a Tuesday afternoon.

Tricia Jessie Sheila Glenis



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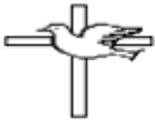
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ST HILDA'S CHURCH NEWS

St. Hilda's Church fete took place on Saturday 26 June and we had a most glorious sunny day for it. Thank you to everyone who helped make this such a successful day - all the stallholders who sizzled in the hot sun all day and all those who came and supported them. The following day we had our morning service outside followed by a barbecue. Again it was a very hot day.

All the churches in the Fosse Team joined together at Thrusington Church on the last Sunday in May and it was also their Patronal Festival. These services are very special occasions when all the congregations come together as do the choirs from the 8 churches. There was not a spare seat to be had!

On Sunday July 4th, the congregations of St, Michael's Thurmaston and St. Hilda's East Goscote went to Wicksteed Park for the day. Javaid our vicar and his wife Mussarat organised the day for us. We had a service in the park when we arrived and this was followed by Javaid doing another barbecue for 76 people! All the children were given wrist bands to go on the rides and we all had a wonderful day. It is hoped that we can do this again next year and that more families from the village will join us. It brought back memories to some of us when our first vicar and his wife, Dudley and Jane Gummer used to run an annual outing to Wicksteed Park and we had about 2or 3 coaches set off from the village. According to the old Community News magazine the cost was 2shillings each for adults and 1 shilling for each child!!

A group of us have set ourselves the task of painting the outside of the church during the summer months, so hopefully it should look a lot better when we've completed the task. We are still waiting for the electrician to get started on the rewiring of the building and then we shall have the interior of the worship area painted. As with any building there is always a lot of maintenance work that needs doing so if anyone is willing to volunteer their services with painting and decorating or gardening we would be very pleased.

A reminder that our services are as follows:-

1st and 3rd Sundays of the month - Holy Communion

2nd Sunday - Morning Worship

4th Sunday - Family Service with special emphasis on children's worship and activities.

All of the above start at 10.00 a.m. In addition there are two evening services at

6.00 p.m.as follows:-

2nd Sunday of the month - Holy Communion

3rd Sunday of the month - Evensong

Anyone and everyone is welcome to join us. We will be very pleased to see you and there is tea/coffee served after the morning services where there is time to talk to the vicar or one of the church leaders if you would like to. Our vicar can be contacted on

0116 2692555 . If you would like to know more about following Christ or need prayer please just ask.

Jane Mercy - Church Warden

PS: Make a note: The Radio Leicester Big Sing is on Tuesday 21st December, 7pm this year, probably at Church, or Sim's Bar

And now . . .

Sometimes it's hard work . . .

Churchyard maintenance is becoming increasingly difficult, and it will be appreciated if parishoners will cut the grass around their own graves in future !

. . . to be quiet

We regret to announce that the "Ladies Happy Hour" are heavily in debt following their recent **SPONSORED SILENCE !**

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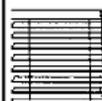


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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS – JUNE 2010

▪ At the AGM of the Parish Council on May 12 2010, Yvonne Smith was elected Chairman & Bob Black as Vice Chairman. Following Standing Orders Maureen Loseby stepped down as Chairman after four years service in this position. During these four years, Maureen has worked tirelessly & hard for our village. There were some difficult decisions to be made during this time but Maureen always had in mind what was best for the village. Yvonne Smith on behalf of the Parish Council gave heartfelt thanks for the services Maureen had given to the village and presented her with a bouquet of flowers.



▪ On a less happy note the village is suffering again from mindless vandalism. The safety surfacing on the play area outside the school was ripped up and has to be replaced at a substantial cost to residents. The new metal cladding on the Sports Pavilion has also been badly damaged to the extent of 40 large dents. This too will require repairs. We would appeal to residents to inform the police of any incidents on 222 2222. By the time this report is published the church should have two CCTV cameras installed, which will be linked into the Parish Council system. It is hoped that this will prevent the continuing vandalism to the church.

▪ PC Phil Porter has now left his position as beat officer for the village. PC Stephenson will be the temporary replacement. Hopefully, when our new beat officer is in place we shall have the opportunity to meet him.

▪ In preparation for the coming winter, the Parish Council has ordered two new grit/salt bins. The suggested locations are in Ploughmans Lea and Lilac Way, to allow nearby footpaths to be gritted. A consultation will be carried out with any residents who may be affected by this placement.

▪ As previously reported, Leicestershire County Council informed us that there was no funding

available for the placement of VAS (Vehicle Activated Sign) on the section of the Long Furrow adjacent to the brook. As a result, the Parish Council has been corresponding with Queniborough Parish Council regarding a shared purchase of a VAS with possible participation of Barkby P.C. A meeting between all three Parish Councils in July has been suggested. There would be informal discussions about the purchase and siting of a mobile sign. Leicestershire County Council has conducted a trial of four units, to determine the effectiveness of a mobile VAS. They have organised a meeting in July at County Hall, where the selected signs will be on display for Parish Councils to assess their suitability. This meeting will be helpful for councillors to raise any technical queries and have more information regarding upkeep and moving from one location to another. The Parish Council can then make an informed decision regarding the cost, siting and effectiveness of a VAS sign. With or without a sign please remember that there is a 30mph limit within the village, except when the 20mph school safety speed limit is in operation.

▪ In March 2010 the Parish Council was informed that a 'Skatepark Committee' had been formed and that the committee had been allocated £5,000.00 from the South Charnwood Area Forum towards a skatepark project. The Parish Council was asked to consider a petition for a skatepark in the village. The initial proposal requested a site 10m square. The estimated cost was around £20,000 to £30,000. The area known as the 'Dog Walking Area' was the site of preference. At a meeting on March 10th 2010, after a lengthy discussion the council voted against the area for the proposed skatepark. At a meeting on April 7th 2010 other possible locations were submitted. The Parish Council was presented with a petition from residents against the installation of a skatepark on the playing field. At the Parish Council Annual meeting 18 residents attended to object to this project. The skatepark committee was informed that a firm plan and firm costing should be obtained before the matter could be taken further. A working party of three councillors was formed to meet with the skatepark committee. The design and plan of the skatepark were discussed and the working party reported back to the full Parish Council with recommendations. A consultation exercise was carried out by the Parish Council informing all residents, who live in the vicinity of the playing field, of the latest proposal. The Parish Council received 13 letters of objection including a strong letter from the Scout Group, who were against the siting of the skatepark adjacent to the Scout Hut.

At a meeting held on the 9th June 2010 the councillors having taken all comments into account made the following resolutions.

RESOLVED: - That the proposed location adjacent to the Scout Hut is unsuitable. The vote was unanimously against this location.

RESOLVED: - After a lengthy discussion the final agreement was that the council felt that the village did not have a suitable location to offer the skatepark committee on Parish Land.

The working party agreed to meet with the skatepark representatives and inform them that as there is no suitable location we cannot go forward with the project. The reasons behind this decision would be explained.

- The Parish Council has allocated funds for the Community Scheme for older residents for Christmas 2010. However on taking legal advice, this scheme could not continue in the usual format. The scheme will still take place but has to operate under different conditions. The new scheme is explained in full elsewhere in this edition of the Long Furrow.

- The Parish Council Summer Scheme for the children will take place in the village hall on two dates. On July 29th there is an Interactive Science Workshop with hands on activities. On August 26th the Petwise Petting Zoo is coming to the village. All details and application forms were in the last issue of the Long Furrow.

- Charnwood Borough Council are also providing **Summer Activities for children:** -

1/ Monday July 26th – Jubilee Playing Fields – Try your hand at putting.

2/ Monday August 9th - Village Hall – Dance Mats.

3/ Tuesday August 24th – Jubilee Playing Fields – Family Fun Day 11am – 3 pm.

Hopefully the weather will be good for all these events.

Have a safe and lovely summer.

Betty Allen
Parish Councillor



ACROSS

1 DISC is a record; OVER means concerning; ED is a common abbreviation for Editor
 6 UR is an ancient city; DU = belonging to/of in French
 9 Heading off means first letter missing so ESCAPE becomes SCAPE - which is "by" (next to) GOATS (animals)
 10 This is a hidden word - in Mums PUDDING
 12 SWEET is the opposite of SOUR so "contrasts" are provided by this style of cooking
 15 PAT is a common Irish name; IC is a common abbreviation for "in charge of" and RIOT is "contained" (inside)
 17 IRA are/were terrorists and giving TE (a musical note) to that gives IRATE
 18 This uses two meanings of LEECH
 19 AB is a common abbreviation for sailor (able seaman). So sailor's is ABS. "Perhaps" is a common sign that an anagram is being used so "intent perhaps" means an anagram of intent
 20 "Upset" is also a common anagram indicator - so "A COMMENT SURE" is an anagram of the answer
 24 "Told" means spoken - so which man's name sounds like to get on one's knees?
 25 Boundary is a BORDER; LINE can be a rope; and if in cricket the ball may have hit the boundary rope the umpires have to think hard about whether a four or a six has been scored
 26 A dog is a PET so dogs are PETS - "returning" means the word is written backwards to give the answer
 27 A truly cryptic clue - if your best friend is your first mate...

DOWN

1 A pretty girl and some food are both a DISH
 2 Another hidden word - in SEA Location
 3 Fat is OVERWEIGHT - and Edward is often known as ED. May be the hardest clue in the puzzle!
 4 The first lady; biblically speaking, was EVE - and if she "tours" - goes round - Oklahoma (often abbreviated to OK) we get EVOKE
 5 ENTRANCES can mean "thresholds" and "delights"
 7 Hearless robbers - that means ROBBERS without a heart (centre) ie ROBERS. Go off ROBERS A PET is an anagram of the answer
 8 Below - UNDER, or NEATH, or UNDERNEATH!
 11 Cleghman is a MINISTER. "Dead" awkward means an anagram of "dead", and situated in an anagram of dead is minister to give ADMINISTERED
 13 After demolition of - ie once something has been demolished. Anagram again!
 Demolish "aspic plant" to get the answer
 14 Steam LINES takes on (incorporates) head of Railtrack (R), first letter
 16 "Just be arranged" means anagram - of ONES PARTS
 21 RODE + the round letter O
 22 Junk is rubbish - so another anagram here
 23 MERE means "nothing but" and "a lake"

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Boys Brigade	Jeff Matthews	01664 850795	Recycling (Sileby)		01509 814713
BB Jnr section	Mick Lattimore	2606243	Recycling Officer		01509 634712
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Cubs	Jayne Disney	2608786	Syston Model Railway Club	Chris Leach	2605760
Afternoon Tea	Tricia Marsland	2609088	Syston Volunteers		2607888
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Daisy Chain	Natalie Palfreyman	2607923	Tree Warden	June Kyle	2607848
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