

# **STICKNEY NEWS**



HAPPY CHRISTMAS

**DECEMBER 2021  
&  
JANUARY 2022**

Welcome to our Christmas edition of the magazine. I wonder if, like me, you are panicking about Christmas? It seems to get more difficult every year choosing the right gifts for our friends and family, and venturing out this year to buy them!

On the 11th of November we held a remembrance service at the War Memorial. It was well attended, and the Vicar and the Curate took the Service. The Parish Council laid a wreath on behalf of the village and two children from the William Lovell laid one on behalf of the school. This year the railings were decorated with some beautiful knitted poppies which added something special to the event. Thank you to Mrs Gosling for her hard work.

On the 24th of this month at 6.00pm there will be a Christmas light switch on at the Church and we're hoping that there will be a visit from Santa. There will also be free tea or coffee with cake or mince pies, hope you can come along. Thanks to Darren, Ian, Harry and George for putting up the lights - especially Ian for braving the ladders!

Welcome to any new people who have just moved into the village, we hope you will be very happy here. There are some important phone numbers that you might need on the back of the magazine. If you are moving on to pastures new, we hope that you will find some new friends and be happy in your new surroundings

On the last Thursday of each month the Parish Council Chairman and Clerk will be available at the coffee morning at St Luke's Church from 10.00pm.



**The mobile Post Office**  
will visit Stickney  
in the Youth Centre Car Park  
on  
**Monday's 10.15am – 11.45am**  
&  
**Tuesday's 10.15am – 11.15am**

## **Bingo at Stickney Youth Centre**

on Friday evenings

Doors open 6:45pm eyes down 7.30pm.



Xmas Prize Bingo

Saturday 04 December

Doors open 6:45pm eyes down 7.30pm.

Raffle and Refreshments

Proceeds to St Luke's Church



## **Stickney Ladies Club**

**Meetings are held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of each month in the Youth Centre at 7.30pm**

A friendly and welcoming group for anyone to join

The AGM for the Stickney Ladies Club will be held in March 2022, meanwhile the demonstrations booked until then are:

14 December	Christmas meal outing
11 January	Sausage & Mash Supper
08 February	To be booked

**For any information, please call Viv Jones on 01205 480292**

## **MOBILE LIBRARY VISITS**

The mobile library visits Stickney on **THURSDAY'S** at the Youth Centre, Hall Lane between 12.30pm and 1.15pm and at Horbling Lane between 2.00pm and 2.30pm.

**The next visits will be 09 December 2021 and 06 January 2022**



## **ST LUKE'S CHURCH**

Christmas is approaching and we are hopeful that we will have all the usual events after the disappointment of last year. By the start of December Advent will already have begun. It is our tradition in St Luke's to run discussion groups through Advent and this year we will be studying the story of Ruth as a precursor to the Christmas story. If you would like to join us, please have a word with Rev Fran (481183).

There are plenty of opportunities to sing a few (and listen to a few) Christmas Carols with us too. Check out the services below and come along, you will be most welcome.

**Services in December and January** – please check the Church noticeboard for any changes, or visit [www.achurchnearyou.com](http://www.achurchnearyou.com)

05 December	11.15am	Morning Worship in Stickney
12 December	11.15am	Morning Worship in Stickford
19 December	6.00pm	Carols by Candlelight in Stickney
24 December	4.00pm	Family Carols for Christmas Eve
	11.30pm	First Communion of Christmas
25 December	10.00am	Celebration of Christmas
02 January	11.15am	Morning Worship in Stickney
09 January	11.15am	Holy Communion in Stickford
16 January	11.15am	Holy Communion in Stickney
23 January	11.15am	Morning Worship in Stickford
30 January	10.00am	Holy Communion in Spilsby

I want to give a big thank you to our Church Officers (Churchwardens, Treasurer etc) and PCC members who have worked so hard to keep the Church open over the past 12 months. Thank you, too, for the many supporters who have helped with fundraising activities, particularly the jumble sales – a good example of the church going green with re-cycling!

Have a lovely, peaceful Christmas and a joyous New Year.

# Kiddies Corner

## CHRISTMAS ROCKY ROAD

### Ingredients

- 4oz dried cranberries / raisins
- 4oz shelled pistachios (I use unsalted)
- 4 oz desiccated coconut
- 12 oz mini marshmallows
- 4oz mixed glacé cherries, optional
- 10oz white chocolate chips (or chopped block of chocolate)



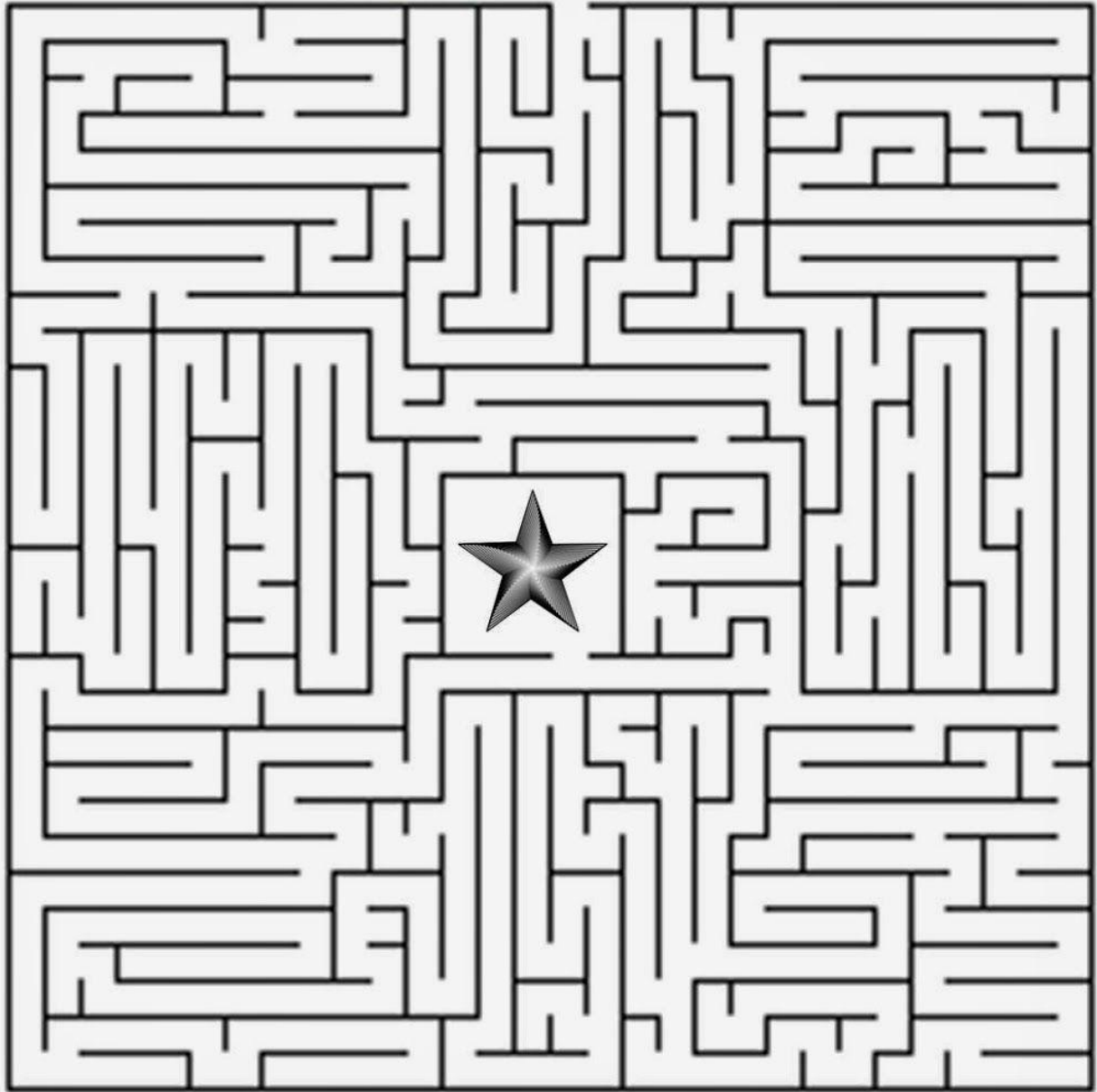
### Instructions

1. Grease and line a 20cm (8 inch) square cake tin with baking paper.
2. In a large mixing bowl, stir together cranberries, pistachios, coconut, marshmallows and glace cherries (if using).
3. Place white chocolate in a separate large heat-proof bowl and microwave at full power for 1 minute.
4. Stir and microwave in further 30 second bursts, stirring well in-between, until chocolate is completely melted and smooth.
5. Pour marshmallow mixture into the melted chocolate and stir until all the ingredients are well coated in chocolate.
6. Working quickly, pour mixture into the prepared tin and press down evenly.
7. Refrigerate for 1 hour or until chocolate has set. To make the rocky road easier to slice, leave it at room temperature for 30 minutes before cutting into squares.



# Christmas Maze

Can you help the wise men follow the star to find Jesus?



# KNIGHTS OF OLD



**A**



**B**



**C**

It's the year 1192 and three English knights are camped in a field awaiting the start of a jousting competition. Can you match each knight with the name of the place he is from, the emblem on his shield and his tent A, B or C?

1. Sir Edwin is in tent A but he doesn't have an eagle emblem on his shield.
2. Sir Percival's tent is between the one belonging to the knight from York and the one belonging to Sir Gerald.
3. The knight in tent C has a dragon emblem on his shield.
4. The knight with a lion emblem on his shield isn't in the tent immediately next to the knight from Chester.
5. One of the knights is from Warwick.

Name	Place	Emblem	Tent





There was no Parish Council meeting in November due to Covid

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 02 December at Eastville, Midville & New Leake Village Hall with a Public Forum from 7.15pm

### **Stickney Gardening Club**

The Stickney Gardening Club will hold the AGM on Tuesday 25 January 2022 at the Youth Club, doors open at 7.00pm for 7.30pm start

The meeting on the 07 December will be a Christmas social evening with drinks, snacks and chat!

**For more information contact Kay 01205 480769**

If you would like to advertise in the Stickney News please send an email to [stickneypc@aol.com](mailto:stickneypc@aol.com) for more details.

If you would like to be added to the list of emergency numbers, please let us know at the same email address.



## Steeping Sausage Shed

We will be supplying Christmas orders of:  
Rolled turkey joints, wrapped in streaky bacon

We will also be supplying Pigs in Blankets

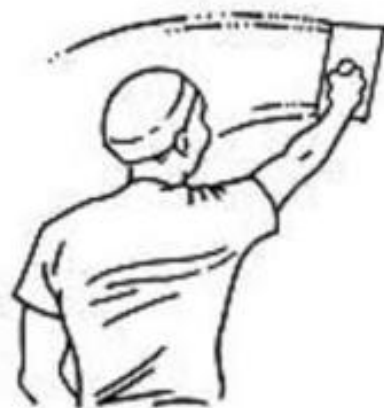
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for more information or to place an order



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Do you have paperwork that needs sorting?  
If so, would you like to:

- ✓ Feel better about your home
- ✓ Gain more physical space
- ✓ Be able to find things more easily?



**Please give me a call to talk about what you would like to organise**

**Contact Vanessa for a free home visit**

**Tel: 07791 24139**

**Email: [vanessacooksey@icloud.com](mailto:vanessacooksey@icloud.com)**

The Upper Crust



**07762748671**  
**[johnwardy66@gmail.com](mailto:johnwardy66@gmail.com)**

### Friday night is curry night

Various curries are now available for **collection**, orders need to be in by 5.00pm on Thursday - please call for details.

### Sunday roasts

are available every week, meats are:

BEEF: £7.50 (£4.00 kids meal)

CHICKEN: £6.95 (£3.50 kids meal)

All Sunday roasts served with all the trimmings:

- roast and mash potatoes,
- 3 vegetables
- Stuffing
- Yorkshire Pudding

**Delivery: free within the village**

Orders need to be given **before 5.00pm** on the previous Friday by calling Sonia on:

**07762 748671**

*(I do have level 2 food safety and hygiene certificates for catering)*



Our next meeting is at 1:30pm on Monday 13 December in the Community Centre, Church Road, Stickford.

We will be having our usual meeting with a fun Christmas Quiz afterwards, followed by our tea and cakes whilst everyone has a chance to chat!

**Visitors welcome £2.00**

Our first meeting in 2022 will be on Monday 10 January at 12:30pm when we will be having our usual New Year lunch.

This will be followed by our usual meeting and then a game of 'Who Am I'.

***This will be for members only – sorry!***

**STICKNEY TO ASDA BUS SERVICE**

Pick up is at 9.30am in Stickney and at 11.30am from Asda

The price is £8.00 return per person

Please call Kings on 01205 480241 to book

Dates are 01, 15 and 29 December and 05 and 19 January

Various pick-up points in Stickney, please ask for details

**CAR BOOT SALES**

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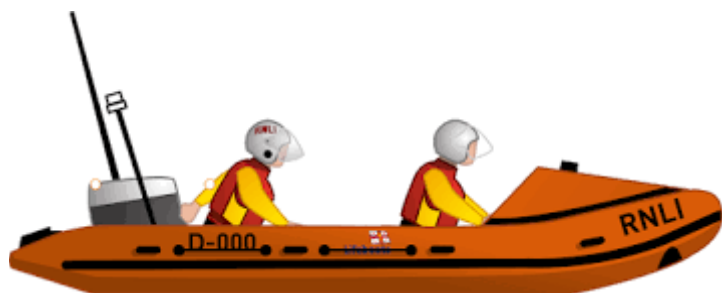
STICKNEY VILLAGE HALL

9.00am – 1.00pm

SUNDAY 05 DECEMBER

SUNDAY 06 FEBRUARY

SUNDAY 06 MARCH



Refreshments include bacon rolls, sausage rolls and homemade cakes.

To book a table at a cost of £6.00 please contact Margaret on 01205 354752 or 07930 179586

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## Stickney Church of England Primary School

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Executive Headteacher: Mrs R. Thompson

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Telephone: 01205 480254

Email: [enquiries@stickney-pri.lincs.sch.uk](mailto:enquiries@stickney-pri.lincs.sch.uk)

### Is your child aged 4 before 31<sup>st</sup> August 2022?



#### At Stickney Church of England Primary School we offer;

- Quality education with experienced teachers & support staff
- Excellent Early Years provision with dedicated EYFS teacher
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- Large attractive grounds with a nature area, growing allotment and peace garden
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**Come and see for yourselves!**

We are conveniently situated on the A16 between Spilsby and Boston.

We welcome you to view our school, please phone 01205 480254 to book in to look around.

Nursery place enquiries should be made directly to the school.

Online applications for Reception admissions are made through Lincolnshire County Council.

Reception Application window: 15<sup>th</sup> November 2021 - 15<sup>th</sup> January 2022

## **Gardening Tips for December and January**

Here we are again at the end of one year and beginning to prepare for another. As the Winter Solstice (the shortest day of the year) passes, the days begin to grow longer, so it is time to finish one set of tasks and prepare for the next. Even though the Solstice marks the beginning of winter, the coldest days are usually found in February, so there may be time to get out into the garden before bad weather prohibits activities, so here are a few jobs to be getting on with while waiting for the Brussel sprouts to cook!

### **December:**

- 1) This is the traditional time to order seeds so it's worth checking what has been left over from the year before. With the life in years in brackets here is the life expectancy of seeds in unopened packets of the most common seeds: Beans {2}, Beetroot {5}, Carrot {3}, the common brassicas {5}, leek{3}, Courgette {6}, Onion {4}, Parsnip {1} and Tomato {3}.
- 2) There is nothing to sow in December unless you wish to try some onions from seed in a greenhouse or cold frame. However, you must ensure that they are kept frost free. Diehard traditionalists start their onions off after Christmas lunch, but that may be a way of getting out of the washing-up!
- 3) Garlic can still be planted out and in fact benefit from a period of cold which prompts growth later.
- 4) If you have bought your early potatoes, you could start the chitting process in a cool room without too much direct sunlight. This will enable you to get an early planting of a few tubers in a cold frame or greenhouse when ready.

### **January:**

- 1) Onions from seed can be sown in January. Keep the growing medium at or around 15°C so watch out on sunny days when the temperature in a greenhouse or cold frame can shoot up, even though it is cold outside.
- 2) To get the varieties of potatoes you want, get your order in for your seed potatoes.
- 3) If you are sowing indoors on a windowsill in a seed tray, a good tip to maximise the light available is to cover a piece of cardboard with aluminium foil and stand it to the north side of the seed tray. This will reflect extra light and prevent leggy seedlings. I think I remember Geoffrey Smith doing that many, many years ago on a BBC Gardening Programme.

In conclusion, a quote from Banksy which should be of interest:

"If you get tired, learn to rest, not quit!"

**Happy Gardening and a Happy Christmas**





**A vacancy has arisen on the Parish Council, this is to be filled by co-option.**

If you are interested in being co-opted onto Stickney Parish Council, you should meet one of the following criteria:

- Be registered as a Local Government Elector for the Parish on the current Electoral Register
- Has during the whole of the previous 12 months occupied as tenant or owner any land or other premises in the Parish
- Has had his/her principal or only place of work in the previous 12 months in the Parish
- Has resided either in the Parish or within 3 miles thereof during the previous 12 months

**Please apply by email to [stickneypc@aol.com](mailto:stickneypc@aol.com)**

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If you would like to be added to this list, please email your details to [\*\*Stickneypc@aol.com\*\*](mailto:Stickneypc@aol.com)

**Solution to Knights of Old:**

Name	Place	Emblem	Tent
Sir Edwin	York	Lion	A
Sir Gerald	Chester	Dragon	C
Sir Percival	Warwick	Eagle	B

## **USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS:**

### **Parish Councillors:**

Cllr M Bolland (Chairman)	01205 480015
Cllr L Edwards	01790 763558
Cllr F Cooper	01205 481197
Cllr K Sherriff	01205 481261
Cllr A Pritchard	01205 481156
Cllr L Lawrence	01205 480839
Cllr C Pavely	01205 481498

### **Clerk to the Parish Council:**

Mrs E L Arnold Crookes Cottage Wrangle Bank Boston PE22 9DL	01205 270352
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County Councillor:	Cllr Wendy Bowkett	01754 880388
District Councillors:	Cllr Tom Ashton Cllr Neil Jones	07812 522372 07577 957392
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