

STICKNEY NEWS



NOVEMBER 2020

Hello and welcome to the November magazine.

First let me welcome any newcomers to the village, we all hope you enjoy living in our community. Unfortunately, as is the same everywhere, everything has come to a grinding halt so it may be a while before you are able to join any of the groups in the village or take part in village activities.

If you turn to the back cover you will find most of the important phone numbers that you might need.

With regard to Covid 19 we must be thankful that we are not yet in tier 2 or 3 and can at least move about more freely, although I don't go out very much myself. I see that East Lindsey is one of the lowest areas of infection in the county, lets hope it stays that way for us all.

If you are moving to a new home we all hope that you will be very happy and soon settle in your new environment and soon find new friends and new experiences.

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 when it is possible to do so.



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

ST LUKE'S CHURCH

This year the Season of Remembrance will be a lot more meaningful, coming while we still cope with the Covid-19 pandemic. We have been fairly well protected so far, and we have not seen death in the numbers elsewhere in the country, but no-one has been untouched by the pandemic.

The season begins with a Bereavement Memorial Service on November 1st at 5pm in St Luke's Church. During this service we will remember all those who have died this year, and whose funerals we have been privileged to take part in. Their names will be read out and candles will be lit in their memory. We have space for 30 people within the Church, and that is approximately the number that come to this service each year. Do let me know if you would like to come – there is plenty of room at the moment. If you have any names to be read out, please also ring me on 481183 and let me know. Leave a message if you cannot get hold of me. Alternatively, pass the names to our Church Wardens, Bev Gosling (480641) or Sandra Boone (480802)

Then we will celebrate Armistice Day (11th) which this year falls on a Wednesday. Because of social distancing, it will not be possible to gather in front of the War Memorial. Instead, we will gather in the Churchyard where the 2 metre rule can be observed without inconveniencing traffic. We will meet at 10.45am for a short service of remembrance and the traditional wreath-laying.

Not everyone will feel able to attend either of these events, and we are encouraged to have some form of remembrance at home, whether that is lighting a candle or standing in silence at the door of our house.

Christmas this year is going to feel very different this year – at the moment we can't sing and we can't gather together, so we are planning alternatives. Watch out for the details in the next issue

Services during November (in St Luke's Church unless otherwise indicated):

01 November	11.15am	Morning Worship
01 November	5.00pm	Bereavement Memorial Service
08 November	10.45am	Remembrance at Stickford War Memorial
11 November	10.45am	Remembrance in Stickney Churchyard
15 November	11.15am	Morning Worship
22 November	11.15am	Morning Worship at Stickford
29 November	11.15am	Advent Sunday worship at New Leake

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Customer Help Line: **01522 782010**

Kiddies Corner

Parkin - getting ready for bonfire night!

Ingredients

- 350g/12oz medium oatmeal
- 175g/6oz self-raising flour
- 2 tsp ground ginger
- 175g/6oz soft brown sugar
- 175g/6oz butter
- 250g/9fl oz golden syrup
- 50g/2oz black treacle
- 2 free-range eggs
- 110ml/4oz milk



Method

1. Preheat the oven to 150C/300F/Gas 2 and line a small, deep baking tray with parchment paper.
2. Combine the oatmeal, flour and ginger in a large mixing bowl.
3. Melt the sugar, butter, syrup and treacle in a bowl in the microwave or in a saucepan over a low heat. Pour the melted ingredients into the flour with the eggs and milk and stir well.
4. Pour the mixture into the prepared baking tray and bake for 45 minutes until golden brown, but still soft and sticky on top.
5. Reduce the oven to 130C/250F/Gas 1 and bake for a further 30 minutes until firm to the touch.
6. Allow to cool, before tightly wrapping in cling film. Store for at least three to five days to mature.

Origin of Fireworks

Fireworks in one form or another, have been around for at least 2,000 years. One enduring legend has it that fireworks were invented by a Chinese cook, who was working in an outdoor kitchen. What happened - he mischievously mixed sulphur and saltpetre with charcoal from his kitchen fire. He then compressed the mixture in a bamboo tube, powder exploded and he had the world's first firework. It has also been hinted that the Indians invented fireworks, however in 2003 an Indian national newspaper (The Hindu) credited the Chinese with inventing firecrackers.

Quiz for St Andrew's Day

Patron saint of Scotland, 30 November

1. Scotland is a land of many lakes, what is the Scottish word for a lake?
2. Which one of Scotland's cities is nicknamed the "Granite City" because so many of its buildings were built with that material?
3. What is the name of the pleated skirt-type garment worn by Scotsmen?
4. Which large island was connected to mainland Scotland in 1995 by a road bridge?
5. On January 25th Scottish people celebrate the birth of their most famous poet, who is the poet?
6. What's the name of the famous Scot who invented the telephone?
7. In the film Braveheart, what was the name of the character played by Mel Gibson?
8. What is the checked pattern on Scottish clothing called?
9. Names like MacGregor and MacDonald are popular in Scotland, what does Mac mean?
10. What are the traditional musical instruments which make a strange sound called?
11. What's the name of the famous Scot who invented the television?
12. What is the capital of Scotland?



A maths puzzle

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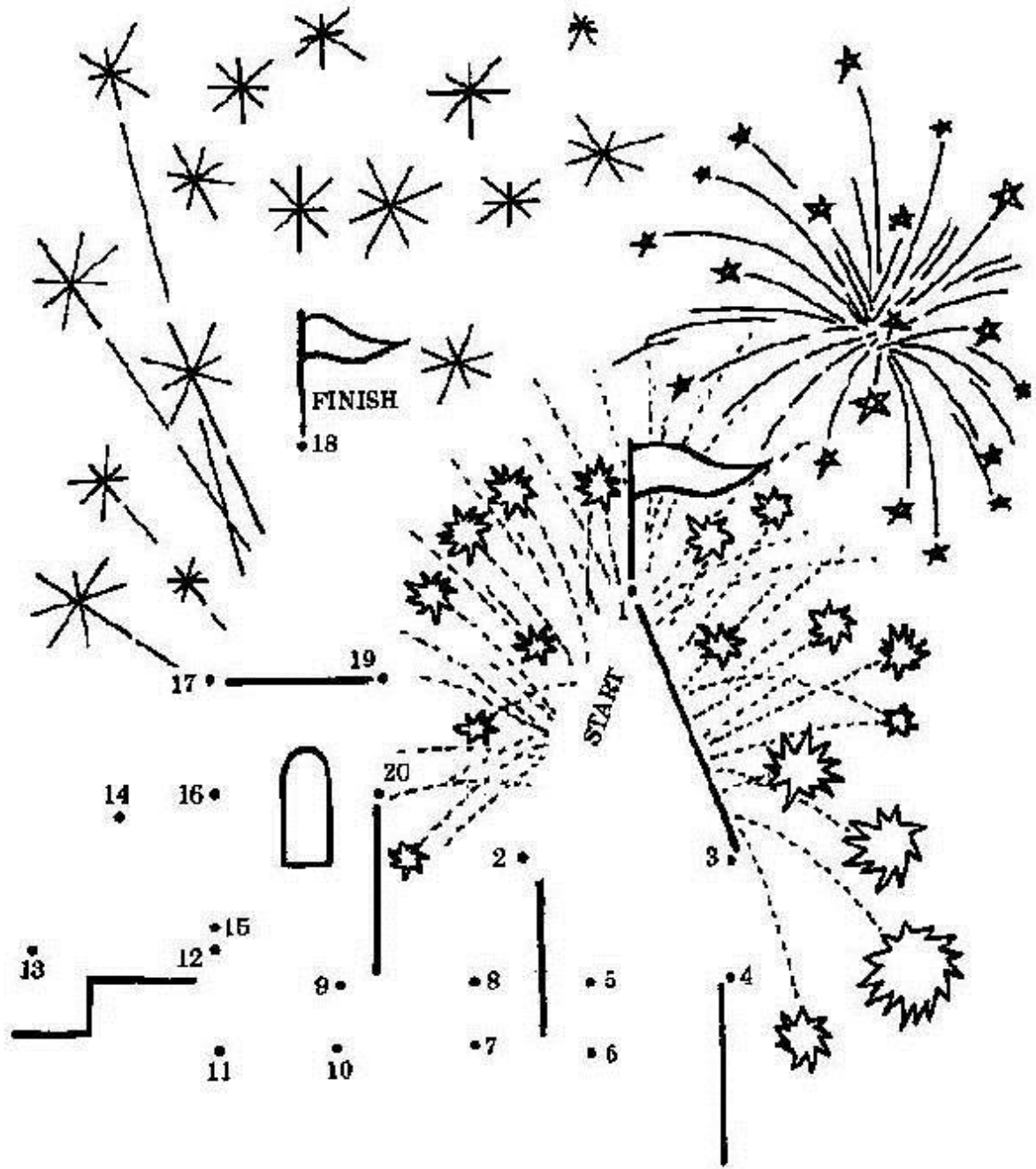
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Sudoku

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A Firework dot to dot and colouring page



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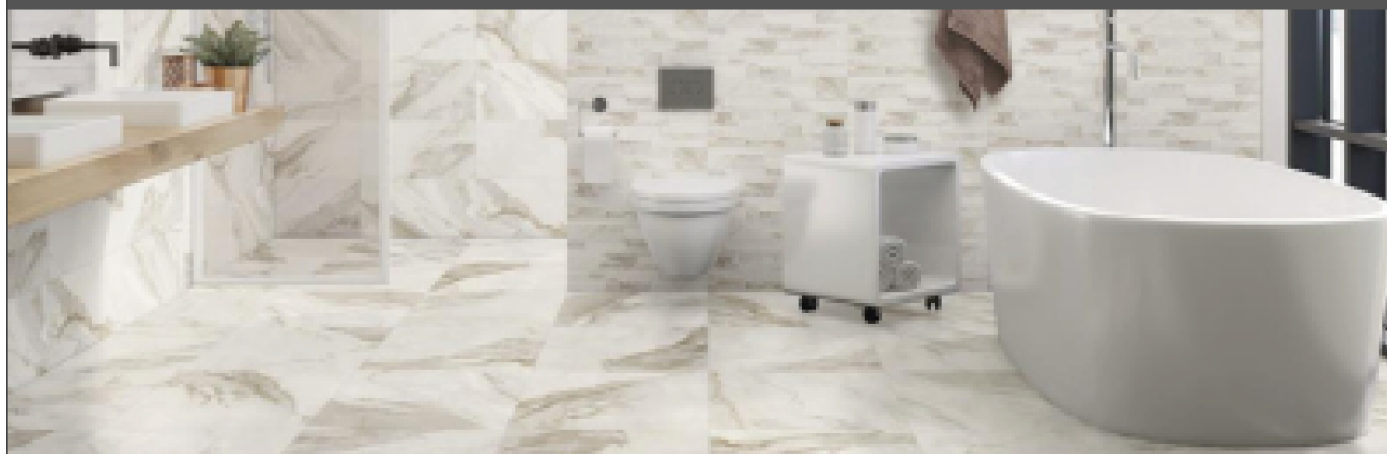
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If you would like to be added to this list, please email your details to Stickneypc@aol.com		

Gardening Tips for November

With the nights drawing in earlier as the weeks go by and clocks due to go back on 25th October, trying to fit in gardening work will become more difficult. That's not taking into account that there is always the weather to contend with! Leaves are definitely on the turn and it's getting colder by the day. November is in the midst of the dormant period so it is the perfect time to keep up your garden maintenance and prepare your garden for future frosts. Here then are a few jobs to be getting on with as we prepare to batten down the hatches for the coming months.

{1} All root vegetables should have been dug up by now. If you haven't harvested carrots, turnips, potatoes and other similar vegetables, they need to be dug up as soon as possible. Remember, however, that parsnips always seem to taste sweeter after the first frosts.

{2} If you are concerned about your vegetable patch looking bare, you can always fill the plot with hardy broad beans, onions, garlic and shallots. Protect new crops and sowings for winter by covering them with frames or cloches. Alternatively, use large plastic juice containers.

{3} For a continuous supply of lettuce crops during winter months, plant varieties such as Vaila-Winter Gem in pots, borders or growbags in a warm greenhouse.

{4} Give the greenhouse a wash down on a warm dry day during this month removing any algae and grime that has built up preventing light getting to the plants inside.

{5} As temperatures start to fall birds will appreciate regular feeding. There is a large range of bird food available in shops and from catalogues.

{6} You could sow first early peas such as Meteor or Kelvedon Wonder to grow over winter to provide harvests in early spring. Protect peas from slugs and mice by growing in covered containers.

In conclusion, some advice I saw in a gardening book recently:

**Give peas of mind, lettuce be thankful, squash selfishness,
turnip to help and always make thyme for loved ones.**

Happy gardening

Stay safe



MARY LEFLEY

Murder, Mystery and My Family

Brenda Lefley, from Leicester, was asked if she would take part in the BBC programme Murder Mystery and My Family as they were considering the case of Mary Lefley who was hanged at Lincoln prison in 1884 for allegedly poisoning her husband William Lefley at Wrangle. They are analysing the evidence put to the trial jury at the time and considering any new evidence that has emerged since and whether there was a miscarriage of justice. Brenda contacted me through our Stickney History website and asked for any information about Mary's time in Stickney. When it emerged that I was a distant relation of Mary's mother (Sarah Gosling) I was asked if I would also take part in the programme.

Filming was originally planned for March but had to be re-scheduled for August. Unfortunately, the part of Leicester where Brenda lives was placed in lockdown and she couldn't come to Lincolnshire when required. It was decided to let me do the "journey" and we would involve Brenda with Zoom meetings whenever possible. The film crew arrived from London on Thursday and interviewed me, as to my relationship to Mary and any background history about her time and life in Stickney. We also had a Zoom meeting with Brenda and learnt of her connection to William Lefley, her thoughts on the original verdict and whether it was murder, suicide or even if a third person was involved in his death.

The camera crew stopped the night at The Burton Inn and on Friday morning I met them at Wrangle, and we went to the house where the death of William had occurred. It's a traditional Lincolnshire half-house with just two sash windows at the front and the kitchen door at the side directly into the garden. It was well maintained and unspoilt and was virtually original from the front elevation with a three-pot chimney and clay pan tile roof.

I was videoed walking down the narrow country lane, carefully studying a map, obviously looking for the house. As always as I quickly learned that nothing is a five-minute take and everything has to be done at least eight or nine times with the camera at different angles every time.

We later moved to film in the centre of the village by the Church and met with Jim Snee, a social Historian from Lincolnshire Heritage who described what life would have been like in Wrangle in 1884. He explained what social problems could occur if a woman of Mary's age and prosperity was to live on her own in a small village such as Wrangle. She would need hired men to help cultivate the eleven acres of land she owned, and this could entice husbands away from their wives and create an opportunity for infidelity.

There was also the other general belief of the time that the small holding would be more appropriate for a respectable married couple and their family rather than a widow.

A major problem with filming outside, and especially in the centre of a village, is the noise of passing vehicles. We had to pause recording many times and wait for a lull in

the traffic before continuing and often repeating what we had previously done. Even the odd wood pigeon cooing in the trees and passing aircraft delayed the filming.

One other set back, that could have caused a major delay to the whole schedule, was when the main camera toppled off its tripod and dropped several feet onto the tarmac road. Surprisingly no crucial damaged was done to the camera or certainly nothing that a roll of duct tape couldn't fix.

On Friday afternoon we travelled to Lincoln to the courthouse in the Castle grounds and was met by Dr Sarah Holland of Nottingham University, who lectures on 19th century rural & agricultural history, and she described what mental health was like in the countryside.

Mental illness was not recognised in the countryside as it was a far better place to live than the Towns and Cities. Country folk did not suffer from it and it was not believed possible that a man of such religious beliefs as William would ever consider taking his own life. At the time poison was regarded as a woman's weapon and considering the slow and painful death that would occur no one would take it knowingly. The Jury would quickly dismiss this notion and the only simple explanation for his death must be murder committed by his wife.

On Saturday morning we met at the prison on Greetwell Road where Mary was held and eventually executed by James Berry. We were not allowed into the prison grounds but did film from outside with the main gates as a focal point. I was met by Steven Wade, an established writer from Leeds, who once worked in the prison for many years as a recreation teacher to the inmates. He described what the conditions would have been like for Mary as she was held in the condemned cell with somebody with her at all times. While she was hoping for a reprieve from the Home Office she was visited by her mother and other family members and the prison cleric. A pardon never came and on her last night she received a glass of wine. The permanently built scaffolding and trap door known as the Hanging Shed was directly through a side door from the condemned cell from where The Hangman and his assistant would enter at the final hour and within five or six minutes she would be dead.

As we were filming next to a busy road in Lincoln much of the scenes had to be repeated several times, as the sounds of large vehicles drowned out the conversations. Two other annoyances were mindless people shouting out car windows and drivers deliberately blowing their horns as they drove past the cameras. Two painters sanding the woodwork of the adjoining office were most obliging to stop work for a couple of hours and asked Bev what the filming was about, and they were most intrigued in the story

Two prison wardens appeared to be displeased at our presence and came out of the prison and walked in front of the cameras. One of them deliberately walked between me and Steven Wade while we were filming.

Mary was originally buried in the prison grounds with many other executed prisoners, but when building work commenced in the 1990s all the bodies were removed, but the

relevant authorities were most unhelpful in providing any more information into their final resting places.

Traditionally a bouquet of flowers is laid on the victim's grave but as this is unknown a quiet spot at the Arboretum in Lincoln was chosen for a symbolic gesture.

The dress code for the majority of the filming was to be smart casual with no logos, checks or stripes as these send the camera "Strobe", but a collar and tie with a jacket had to be worn when attending court.

It was originally planned that we would go to London to meet Jeremy and Sasha, the Barristers, to discuss the evidence put forward and again a week later to attend the court hearing when the Judge delivered his verdict. Instead it was decided that any travelling on public transport should be avoided because of the Pandemic and both final scenes were recorded remotely at Stickney and Leicester on laptops using Zoom.

As one of the remote scenes was not completed on the first day, I had to wear the same clothes and use the same background for another meeting three days later.

When the editing is finished, I should get to know when it will be shown on TV, possibly towards the end of the year.

M Gosling Stickney

Some background information about Mary and William Lefley

Mary Holmes was the daughter of George & Sarah Holmes (nee Gosling) and lived in Hall Lane. She was born on 25th July 1835 and baptised at the Primitive Methodist Chapel in Stickney. She probably attended the old mud and stud school room in the Village as it is believed that she could read and write. Mary was in service for the Soudens of Grange Farm Pinfold Lane in 1850 and possibly even before she was fourteen years old.

William Lefley was working on Stennetts farm at Carrington when he met Mary through farming community and they married in Stickney 3rd August 1852 and went to live at Wrangle.



NOTES FROM THE REMOTE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 01 OCTOBER 2020

Apologies: Apologies were accepted from Cllrs Sherriff, Pavely, Cockburn and Cooper and from County Cllr Bowkett

Present: Cllrs Lawrence, Pritchard, Edwards and Bolland (Chairman)

Also present: Dist Cllr Jones

Reports from Representatives in Outside Bodies

Dist Cllr Jones reported:

ELDC have a survey regarding Council Tax Support on the website, this is for anyone to complete between 01 October and 06 November. ELDC are transferring/selling assets to some Town and Parish Councils. Outline planning permission has been given for 175 properties to be built in Sibsey.

County Cllr Bowkett reported by email:

The NHS Covid 19 app is now available for 'track and trace'. A complaint has been received regarding speeding on Horbling Lane, this is being looked into. LCC are looking for up to 40 foster carers. Household waste sites are still operating a booking system via the telephone or online. LCC Highways are recommending that no Remembrance Day Parades take place this year. There is some Covid 19 grant money available if it can be of any use to any organisation.

Planning Applications received

The following planning applications were **SUPPORTED** by the Parish Council:

S/169/01002/20 - Sleaford Building Services Ltd - Section 73 application in relation to condition 2 (approved plans) as imposed on planning permission reference S/169/02417/17 which was for detailed particulars relating to the erection of 50 dwellings and associated garages, foul water pumping station, attenuation area, landscaping and vehicular parking (outline planning permission ref: S/169/01275/15 for the erection of up to (approx.) 50 dwellings granted 18.10.16) at Land rear of Sanlyn, Main Road

S/169/01707/20 - Mr & Mrs King - Extension and alterations to the existing dwelling to provide an enlarged lounge and carport with a first floor bedroom and bathroom over and an additional bedroom and ensuite in the roof space at 16 Mary Lovell Way

Planning Decisions

FULL planning permission has been received for:

S/169/01323/20 - Mr Mahi - Extension and alterations to the existing dwelling to provide an enlarged ground floor lounge and hall with 2 second floor bedrooms and shower room in the roof space and construction of vehicular access at Mayfield, Main Road

APPROVAL of Section 73 Application has been received for:

S/169/01293/20 - Mr R Head - Section 73 application in relation to condition no 2 (occupancy) as imposed on planning permission reference S/169/00828/92 which was for the erection of a house with attached garage in connection with adjacent engineering business at The Mill, Main Road

Play Area

The play area has now been opened with signage in place and information in the October Stickney News. There are groups of children meeting in the play area who are not socially distancing. The situation will be monitored for discussion at the next meeting.

**Some residents are putting used dog bags in the bin
this is not acceptable in a children's play area**

New Parish Website

The address for the new website is:

stickney.parish@lincolnshire.gov.uk

If anyone has any photos of areas in Stickney you would like to be considered for the website please email them to the Clerk with a note giving permission for the use on the website.

Highways

Highway faults and repairs should now be reported at:
www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/faultreporting
or via the
fixmystreet app on your mobile phone

Date of next Remote Meeting

The next Parish Council remote meeting will be held on 05 November 2020



A campaign card for Matt Warman MP. It features a portrait of Matt Warman on the right side. To the left of the portrait, there is contact information: address (63 Wide Bargate, Boston, Lincolnshire PE21 6SG), phone number (01205 809110), email (matt.warman.mp@parliament.uk), website (mattwarman.co.uk), and a campaign slogan (Warman for Boston Skegness). To the right of the portrait, the name 'MATT WARMAN MP' is written in large white letters, and below it, the slogan 'Serving the people of Boston and Skegness' is written in a cursive font. The background is green with a faint crest on the right.

Quiz answers:

1. Loch
2. Aberdeen
3. Kilt
4. Skye
5. Robert Burns
6. Alexander Graham Bell
7. William Wallace
8. Tartan
9. 'son of'
10. Bagpipes
11. John Logie Baird
12. Edinbrugh

Maths puzzle:

Circle = 27
Triangle = 18
Square = 26

Sudoku solution:

5	2	8	4	6	7	3	1	9
9	6	3	8	1	5	4	2	7
1	7	4	2	9	3	5	8	6
2	3	1	9	7	6	8	5	4
8	5	7	1	2	4	6	9	3
4	9	6	3	5	8	1	7	2
3	4	5	7	8	9	2	6	1
7	8	2	6	4	1	9	3	5
6	1	9	5	3	2	7	4	8

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