

S T I C K N E Y N E W S



**DECEMBER 2020
&
JANUARY 2021**

Welcome to the December/January magazine.

Well here we are back in the old routine, unable to get out and about again. Not that I have really done very much moving out and about since the last lockdown! Now the virus is rife in the local area I don't feel much like going further than my back garden. I really miss seeing my family, and I suppose many of you are in the same boat. Hopefully things will be better for Christmas.

I would like to thank all the people who came to the War memorial on Armistice day. Fortunately it was quite a pleasant morning and the shortened service was very moving.

It is the time of year when we thank the volunteers who kindly set aside some time each month to deliver the Stickney News to every property in Stickney. A heartfelt THANK YOU to you all.

I would like to wish you all a Happy Christmas and to hope that we all have a much happier New Year.

Welcome to any new residents to the village, we hope that you will soon be able to mix more freely and that we will be able to get to know you. At the back of the magazine you will find important telephone numbers that you might need.

Goodbye to anyone who is leaving for pastures new. We hope that you will be very 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 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

I have good news – Christmas is NOT cancelled, and New Year will come along as normal. We don't know yet what we can or cannot do in the Church, so Christmas is probably going to look very different this year, but we will still celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ.

Because of the pandemic, it is very difficult to plan anything, particularly as we are currently in lockdown. Usually I would be able to let you know what services are planned, and I could rely on the information being available in every home through the Stickney News. All I can do this year is to let you know what we hope to do, and ask you to check out the details on the Church noticeboard or on Facebook – like The Stickney Cluster of Churches page!

Advent, the countdown to Christmas, actually begins on 29 November while we are still in lockdown. I will be posting a 'Tiny Advent Poem' on our Facebook page every day – just something to make us think.

Also during late Advent, and particularly during the Christmas holidays, we are hoping to provide a Nativity Trail at The Ark – so get along there and see what you find!

The Parish Council will be putting a Christmas tree at the porch of the Church, so we are trying to plan for a different but still joyful Christmas. And you can help – back in the Summer we celebrated the NHS by putting rainbows in our windows and clapping on the doorstep every Thursday evening. This Christmas, how about putting representations of the Nativity in our windows – it could be angels, shepherds, kings, Mary and Joseph. People can walk around the village spotting the pictures for a bit of fun. Then on Christmas Eve, probably at 6.00pm, how about standing on the doorstep and singing Silent Night together. We are hoping to get Radio Lincolnshire involved (which is why the time might change) so that they play the carol while we all sing it across the county.

At the moment we can't sing in Church, so that makes a traditional Carol Service a bit tricky. We can play Christmas Carols, though, so, if we can be in the Church, we are planning something on Sunday 20 December. You will have to come along to find out what!

As for 2021, we just don't know what we can plan for. At the moment we are hoping to go back to our 11.15am services swapping between Stickney and Stickford. Again, check out our Facebook page or noticeboard.

So, despite everything, have a great (different) Christmas and we look forward to a brighter 2021.

Services we are hoping to hold in December and January
please check the Church noticeboard for any changes, or visit
www.achurchnearyou.com

06 December	11.15am	Morning Worship in Stickney
13 December	11.15am	Morning Worship in Stickford
20 December	11.15am	Morning Worship in Stickney
	4.00pm	Carols by Candlelight in Stickney
24 December	6.00pm?	Doorstep Silent Night
25 December	10.00am	Family Service
27 December	11.15am	Morning Worship in New Leake
03 January	11.15am	Morning Worship in Stickney
10 January	11.15am	Morning Worship in Stickford
17 January	11.15am	Morning Worship in Stickney
24 January	11.15am	Morning Worship in Stickford
31 January	11.15am	Morning Worship in New Leake

A message from the village shop for the Christmas season

Due to the current situation with the Corona Virus Graham and Linda would like to offer to help anyone with their shopping.

Just call the shop on 01205 480225 to place your order

When your order is prepared, we will arrange to deliver it, personally, to your door.

We have meat delivered by two local butchers, if you would like to place an order for meat, including meat you require for Christmas, we have order forms available in the shop. Please call in for one or call and ask for one to be dropped off to you.

Again, when the orders are received, we will deliver them to your door enabling you to stay safe and warm on these cold dark nights!

Meanwhile we would like you all to please stay safe, have a good Christmas and may 2021 be happy and healthy for all of us.

Graham and Linda



Kiddies Corner

Peanut Butter Chocolate Fudge with Pretzels

This Peanut Butter Chocolate Fudge with Pretzels is a sweet and salty Christmas candy that is SO easy to make! Just a few ingredients and no bake.

Ingredients

- 370g cups finely chopped chocolate
- 300 ml sweetened condensed milk
- 1/4 cup smooth peanut butter
- 2 tablespoons smooth peanut butter
- 1/4 cup chopped salted peanuts
- 1/4 cup chopped pretzels



Method

- ✓ Line an 8×8" pan with wax or parchment paper.
- ✓ In a large microwave-safe bowl, combine chocolate, condensed milk and 1/4 cup peanut butter.
- ✓ Microwave on high in 20-25 second intervals, stirring well each time, until smooth (mixture will be thick - do not overcook!).
- ✓ Spread half into prepared pan. Place a piece of wax paper on top and press fudge into the pan. Warm 2 tablespoons peanut butter for 15 seconds in the microwave, and drizzle half over fudge in pan. Top with half peanuts and half pretzels.
- ✓ Repeat layers one more time, with the remaining fudge, peanut butter, peanuts and pretzels, using the same piece of wax paper to press your fudge into the pan (it will be impossible to spread otherwise!).
- ✓ Refrigerate until set, or place in the freezer for 15-20 minutes until firm.
- ✓ Slice and serve. Store leftovers in the refrigerator or freezer.

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Stickney Picnic Site

Here are some photos of the new picnic benches, seats and refurbished entrance sign at Stickney Picnic site, all installed in time for lockdown No2. All this work shows that LCC Countryside Alliance are continuing to invest in this much loved local amenity.

We continue to get positive feedback from people using the site and we seem at last to be getting more families than "single gentlemen". If anyone has any comments or suggestions on how to improve the area further please contact the Parish Council in the first instance.



Mobile Library

The mobile library will visit Stickney on **Thursday's**
10 December 2020 and 07 January 2021

Hall Lane: 12.30pm - 1.15 pm

Horbling Lane: 2.00pm - 2.30pm

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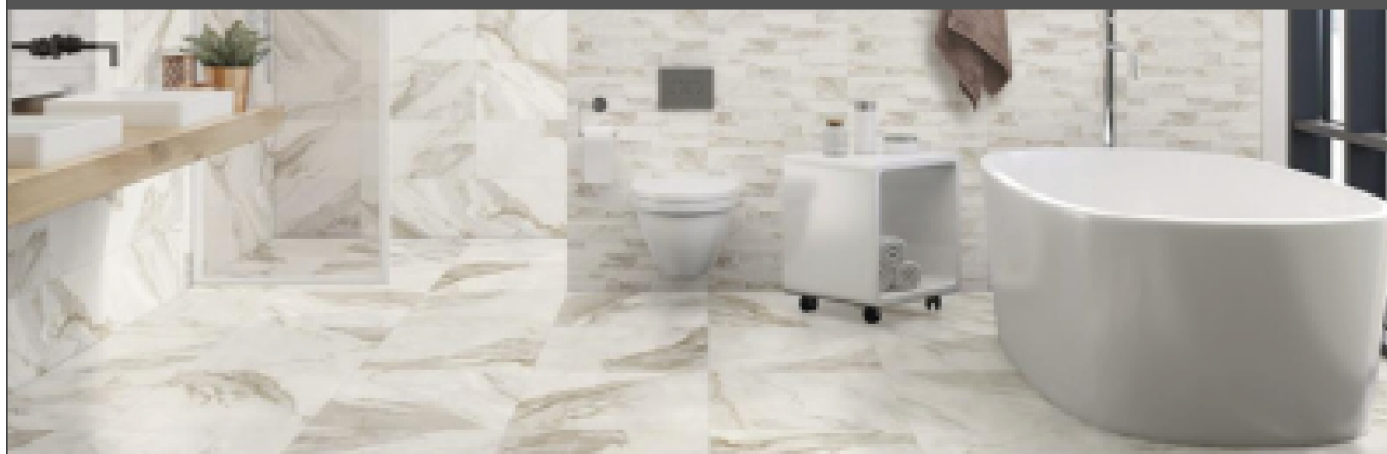
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If you would like to be added to this list, please email your details to Stickneypc@aol.com		

Gardening Tips for December and January

This is the time of year to prepare for next year's activities. When the weather is changeable, and the days are short it is important to grab time in the garden when you can. The more you get done now, the better you'll be set up for next year. Here then are a few jobs we can safely do in the garden without the need to put on our face masks!

1} Garlic plants should be growing on at a pace. Heavy or wet soil can cause the cloves to rot. A way round this is to use a small dibber to make a hole into which gritty sand can be dropped before dropping the clove in. Alternatively plant the clove in a 3" pot under glass and then plant out when the shoots are about an inch high.

2} A top tip if you are growing Brussels sprouts, is to apply some extra nitrogen. This can be done in the form of sulphate of ammonia at the rate of 1oz per yard², dissolved in water. A couple of teaspoons of dried blood sprinkled around the base of the plant and watered in will have a similar beneficial effect.

3} Autumn planted broad beans can go in now but be aware that wet soils can be a barrier to your success rate. Hardy peas such as 'meteor' can also go in now.

4} Continue to check your stored potatoes and throw away any that are showing signs of damage. They will only rot and affect the others if left together. Also check stored onions and garlic and remove any rotting bulbs immediately. The neck of the bulb is usually the first area to rot.

5} Lift your late leeks and parsnips before the soil becomes frozen. Heel them into a trench beside a convenient path and they'll be ready to be brought indoors as and when required.

6} Cover heavy clay soil with polythene to keep it drier and to stop any nutrients from leeching away with the winter rains.

In conclusion, a quote from Liberty Hyde Bailey, an American scientist, who wrote:

"A garden requires patient labour and attention.
Plants do not grow merely to satisfy or to fulfil good intentions.
They thrive because someone expended effort on them."

Happy gardening and an enjoyable Christmas to all.

Pirate Day in Class 2 at Stickney Primary School

This term Class 2 (Year 1 and Year 2) are learning about Pirates. To start their learning off they had a 'Pirate WOW Day' when all the children came to school dressed as a pirate. They created their own pirate, a Jolly Roger Flag and then their own treasure maps.

During the day the children learnt about different famous pirates and were told many pirate stories, as well as learning pirate sayings: "Land Ahoy!, Shiver me timbers!, and aye aye Captain."

The end of the day saw the children go on a "Pirate Adventure" to find treasure. They jumped their way through the quicksand, climbed over 'Blackbeard's Mountain' and swam through 'Crocodile Lagoon', to eventually find their treasure chest!

Mrs Jones



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Applications for Reception Admissions for September 2021 will be open from 16th November 2020 and close on 15th January 2021. You are able to apply on-line at <https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/school-admissions>

However, if you have any questions please free to contact either school directly and will always be happy to help.

More information can be found on our websites at www.new-leake.lincs.sch.uk or www.stickneyprimary.co.uk

**We would love to hear from you
and as soon as social distancing allows we look forward to welcoming you to a tour of
our schools**

In the meantime, we can offer virtual viewing

**For further details, please contact schools at
Stickney 01205 480254 or enquiries@stickney-pri.lincs.sch.uk
New Leake 01205 270285 or enquiries@new-leake.lincs.sch.uk**

Our Stickney school is situated on the A16 between Spilsby and Boston and our New Leake school is nearby situated on the road that links the A16 at Stickney with the A52 at Friskney **we can provide across both schools...**

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- At New Leake**
- Children taught in small groups according to age and aptitude
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 - Breakfast club
 - Purpose built Early Years/Reception Classroom

Please contact us on either of the above numbers to arrange a suitable time to discuss your requirements. We look forward to meeting you as soon as circumstances allow.

(At the time of placing this advert we are in a National Lockdown, but as restrictions ease and change we are hoping to be able to arrange for you to visit our schools).

NOTES FROM THE REMOTE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 05 NOVEMBER 2020

Apologies: Apologies were accepted from Cllrs Sherriff, Edwards and Cooper

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

Reports from Representatives in Outside Bodies

There were no representatives from outside bodies present.

Planning Applications received

The following planning application was **OBJECTED** to by the Parish Council:

S/169/01887/20 - Bowbridge (Kier) Limited - Section 73 application in relation to condition no 4 (affordable housing) as imposed on planning permission reference S/169/00775/05 which was for erection of 46 houses; construction of vehicular access and estate roads. Private drives, car parking area and footpaths; and pumping station; provision of public open space and erection of screen walls (2 metre max height), dwarf wall and railings (1.5 metre max height) and dwarf wall (1 metre max height) at Land north of Hall Lane.

Having checked with a local housing association it was confirmed that there is a need for affordable housing in this area. The drainage for the cemetery runs across the site and the developer needs to be reminded of this.

Play Area

The current Government guidelines are to keep play areas open. Please remember to sanitise the equipment before and after use and to wash everyone's hands on returning home. Thank you for not putting dog bags in the play area bins.

Draft Budget for 2021/2022

The draft budget was presented and discussed. The precept for 2021/2022 will be £22,000, this will be confirmed at the next meeting.

Cemetery and Churchyard

A dead tree will be inspected for removal in the Churchyard, a faculty will be required for this work to be carried out. When visiting the cemetery and Churchyard could everyone please consider other visitors that may be there at the same time – thank you.

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 03 December 2020

USEFUL PHONE NUMBERS:

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Cllr A Pritchard	01205 481156
Cllr L Lawrence	01205 480839
Cllr C Pavely	01205 481498
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