

FLEETHAM, FENCOTES & LANGTON

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Village Hall springs back into action



After a long period of closure due to Covid, the Village Hall is happily getting ready to welcome people back through its doors. What's more, along with the activities arranged by our existing providers, we are excited to announce our plans for several new events, made possible by generous grants from Hambleton District Council.

Chair of the Village Hall Committee, Mike Dillon, said: "We've had tremendous support from Hambleton, with funds to cover running costs during closure and now the wonderful news that the Committee's application for funding from the Making a Difference Grant has been approved. We put forward a detailed proposal to purchase equipment and provide activities that will make a real difference to people in our area.

"We already have a beautiful village hall, and now we will be able to install the sound and lighting equipment needed to stage high quality musical and theatrical performances. We have plans for visiting speakers, 'Desert Island Discs' events and even Tea Dances! We want to encourage visiting theatre groups to stage performances and we'll be installing a hearing loop so that our activities become more accessible.

"Our application was based on promoting 'wellbeing', which is something we all need at the moment. Some of the cost will be covered by our own previous fund-raising, such as the highly successful plant stall at The Willows, boosted by the generous 75 per cent grant from Hambleton District Council.

"We are working hard to make sure people are kept informed about the things that are happening locally, including these new events. We know that some people like to receive their copy of Social News through their letterbox whilst others would rather read it online. Please fill in and return the slip on the back page to let us know."



Village Hall activities

Local election

Thursday May 6

Kirkby Fleetham Village Hall will act as a local polling station for the Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner for North Yorkshire. Polling station open **7am - 10pm**

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday

Kath Burgin Keep Fit & Pilates

Restarts week beginning: Monday May 17

Monday Metabolic Effect, 6.30 - 7pm

Pilates 7-8pm

Wednesday

Metabolic Effect, 6.30 - 7pm

Thursday

General Exercise for older adults, 10 - 11am

Contact: Kath at:

K.burgin@hotmail.com or on 07894 718696

Wednesday

Baby massage & baby yoga

Suitable for babies six weeks onwards and toddler yoga from 18 months upwards. Info at: www.baby-wellness.co.uk

Contact : Nicki at: hello@baby-wellness.co.uk or on 07570 2081814

Thursday

Carpet Bowls

Restarts Thursday May 20, 2 - 4pm **Contact: Peter Stevens. Peter@wanadoo.fr**

Friday

Hatha yoga

Restarts Friday May 28, 9.30 - 10.30am & 6.15 - 7.30pm

Contact: Chris on 07973 416058 or Info@adapting.fitness

Saturday

Sewing Bee fortnightly, re-starting Saturday May 22 , 12.15 - 3.15 pm

Contact: Monique on 07763 252177 to find out more or reserve a place.



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Activities will re-start at the Village Hall according to Government guidelines around permitted activity. This means that most activities will not resume until July.

The Hub

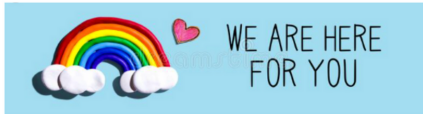
The Hub will re-open in early June, initially just on Wednesdays.

More volunteers are needed,
so if you can help please contact: **Nicky Lloyd**

Nickells1@hotmail.co.uk
or ring: **748039**

Book Lovers Group

Restarting in the library on Tuesday July 6 at 7 pm. Just pop along with a book or two that you've enjoyed.



The team of helpers remain available while the Covid threat is still with us.

They can help if you are self-isolating, need someone to talk to, are shielding, struggling to get out or can't operate online facilities.

Anyone who needs help please call or text **Laura** on **07545 952845**.

May services at St Mary's Church all starting at 11am

May 2 Holy Communion
May 16 Holy Communion
May 23 Morning Worship

Anyone attending services is reminded to wear face coverings, use hand sanitiser on entry to and exit from the church and observe social distancing.

Gardening Group will meet on the first Thursday of the month from July. The first meeting will be held on Thursday July 1.

More details will be published nearer the time.

The WI are planning to have their first meeting on Thursday July 8 at 7.30pm. More details will be published nearer the time.

Using the Village Hall safely - please note

- Only the main hall and toilets are in use.
- The kitchen and library remain closed until further notice.
- Anyone using the hall should use the hand sanitiser provided at the main entrance on entering and leaving.
- Toilets may be used under strict sanitising conditions with only one person allowed in each toilet suite at a time. They should sanitise the toilet after use. (Sanitiser is provided).
- Our contract cleaner continues to maintain the Village Hall each Wednesday.
- Group leaders are aware of their responsibilities, including ensuring social distancing is maintained at all times, sanitising equipment before and after use, and maintaining a list of members attending.

Jessica's baking business has really taken off during lockdown

A former pupil at Kirkby Fleetham Primary and resident of Little Fencote, Jessica Berriff, 12, has launched her own baking business.

A keen baker and inspired by her grandma, Mickey, Jessica has been baking for some time. When her grandparents and auntie gifted her a Kitchenaid for Christmas, there was no stopping Jessica. Her brownies were so good her grandfather suggested she sell them.

During lockdown Jess spent a lot of time with her step-mum, Julie, sitting in the office while working and started to show an interest in business and thus the two came together. A quick lesson on profit and loss and access to some design software and **Bakes by Jessica** was born.

Jessica designed her own logo, put together the product list and popped the flyers through village doors. There has been a fantastic response and it has helped Jessica to save some pocket money. Jessica also has an Instagram account with over 1000 followers.

Orders can be placed via e mail :

bakebyjessica@icloud.com or through the letter box at her home, The Old Forge, Little Fencote.



Jessica with one of her bakes

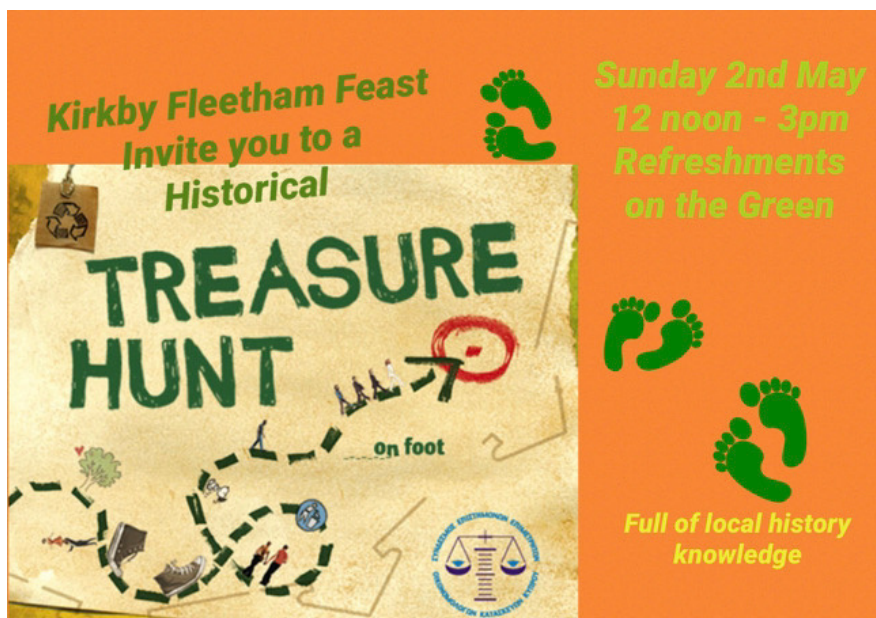
Plant stall is a growing success



The community plant stall has been popular since opening last month and will run throughout May and most of June.

Located at The Willows, next door to The Black Horse Inn, and plants change on an almost daily basis with new annuals, perennials, herbs and vegetables all making an appearance as soon as they are ready for display.

As usual, all funds raised will go to improve the facilities at the village hall so please continue to support the venture.



Come along and join us
An enjoyable afternoon with
refreshments on the
Village Green

The Treasure Hunt Walk will
take you through the village
and surrounding area and is
about four miles.

It includes kissing gates and
stiles so please take care if
you have children or dogs.

It is possible to just follow
one of the loops or just join
us for tea and cake on the
Village Green.

Map and Quiz sheet
available from 12noon on
Sunday May 2 from outside
the Village Hall.



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Have you been clearing out the shed or the cellar? Got old toys and clothes that the kids have grown out of? Bric-a-brac cluttering up the house? Why not join the Kirkby Fleetham & Fencotes Community Garage Sale on Saturday 29 May 2021 from 1pm – look out for the yellow and blue balloons to find your bargains!



Sign up with Anthony Barker, 19 Forge Lane, Kirkby Fleetham from 15 May to 28 May and get your garage sale pack.

There is a £5 entry fee which will be used to provide social distancing posters, hand sanitiser and publicity with any extra going to local charities so that our local charity shops don't lose out.

Thank you for supporting our Villages

Do you want a printed newsletter?

Due to safety concerns, we decided not to print and distribute our newsletter during the pandemic but did continue to place printed copies in the egg box and deliver them to people who told us they did not have access to the internet.

In April, we returned to delivering 300 newsletters to homes within our parish and it was clear that many of you now prefer not to receive a printed newsletter, and are happy to get the information via InfoNetKFF.

The Village Hall Continuity Board, have therefore decided to reduce the number of printed newsletters but ensure there is a good supply in the Village Hall and the egg box for those who want to pick them up. We will also deliver newsletters to homes where requested.

So, if you do want Social News to drop through your letterbox please complete the form below and drop it in at the Village Hall or ask someone to do it for you. You, or a helper, can also e mail or ring to let us know. E mail Lynda at lyndafothergill@hotmail.com or ring 01609 7848009. If we don't hear from you, we will assume you will pick up a copy at the Village Hall or egg box or get your news via :

Infonet KFF or www.kirkbyfleethamwithfencotesparishcouncil.co.uk.

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