



# DRAYTON PARSLOW VILLAGE NEWS



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## DRAYTON DIARY

### February

15 <sup>th</sup>	Bingo, DPSSC
24 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council meeting, DPSSC, 19:30

### March

15 <sup>th</sup>	Bingo, DPSSC
30 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council meeting, DPSSC, 19:30

### Further ahead

April 18-19 <sup>th</sup>	Mousefest2 'Once Upon A Time'
June 13 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Garden Fete

### GREENACRE HALL



Looking to hold a Class? We have availability at the hall and can offer free starter sessions to help you get your class established.

For information and hall bookings telephone Carol 01296 720741

### NEXT ISSUE

Contributions, articles and photos for the October/November issue **by no later than Wednesday March 4<sup>th</sup> 2020** please to the Village News mailbox [dpvillagenews@outlook.com](mailto:dpvillagenews@outlook.com) or by hand to Sally Wallis (10 Prospect Close) or Claire Darnley (Tamara, 3b Main Road).

If you want to speak to either of us, please contact Sally on 720030 or Claire on 720383.

## Christingle Service Holy Trinity December 24<sup>th</sup> 2019



*The next of our series of features on members of the local community:*

**Let's spend 30 minutes with...**

## **Anne Sherry**

I am probably best known in the village as Brian's wife, Laura and Richard's mum, Kuda's dog walker or the accompanist of the DP Singers!



I was brought up in Middlesex and was fortunate to attend Saturday morning school at the Royal Academy of Music from the age of ten. After college and a two-year stint of teaching music at a huge comprehensive school on the south coast, I went to 'The Warm Heart of Africa' - Malawi. There I taught music in Primary and Secondary International schools, meeting Brian in the process! Laura and Richard were born in Malawi but in 1994 we moved to Harare, Zimbabwe. Here again, I enjoyed teaching music, however, with the political situation becoming increasingly unstable, we came to the UK in 2000. Initially, I worked at MK Prep but moved on to Thornton College where I continued to teach very happily until my retirement a couple of years ago.

### **How long have you lived in Drayton Parslow?**

We moved to Drayton Parslow from Tattenhoe MK, in July 2003.

### **What do you like (best) about living in Drayton Parslow?**

Drayton Parslow is a great place to live: near to all the amenities you could want but far enough away from them to feel rural with lovely walks.

I always look forward to events such as the VPA show, DP Singers Concerts in the Church and Carols in the Chapel, with the pub, the outdoor gym on the rec and friendly people to complete the picture!

### **What is your favourite book/books?**

I like to have a variety of genres to hand, but a good murder mystery such as a **Jo Nesbo** is a must!



### **Who is your favourite celebrity chef and why?**

I tend to verge towards Pinterest nowadays, but **Delia Smith's Book of Cakes** is a failsafe.



### **Have you taken up any hobbies since your retirement?**

I attend watercolour sessions in Bletchley which is fun and absorbing. Playing for the Drayton Parslow Singers has been an enjoyable venture for me. Everyone is very supportive...remember new members will be very welcome! Finally....travel!

### **What is the best job you have ever had?**

I have been very lucky to have been a music teacher for all my working days – who could ask for more?

### **What is your favourite place to visit?**

So many to choose from... Hong Kong, as Laura lives there!

### **Who would be your special guests at a dinner?**

Family & friends

# Holy Trinity News



## Reflections from the Rectory

REFLECTIONS FROM THE RECTORY

As I think about what to write I have in my head a talk I will soon deliver and like this article it starts with a blank page. It's often more difficult when you don't have a theme to work to! On Sundays we generally do have Bible passages that are recommended and so it gives a starting point. So, I was thinking about what I should write and talk about, thinking back over the last few months and what I have been doing and a phrase or title came to mind 'the scars that make us'.

The title has come from some thinking I have been doing over the last few years about an area of struggle in my life that when I look back, I wouldn't change. I was in my 20's by the time I discovered I am dyslexic. I had struggled throughout my schooling, being told I was thick, that I wouldn't achieve anything.



The reality was and is my brain processes things in a way that is different to people without dyslexia. There are several other neurodiverse conditions which have similarities:

dyspraxia, ADHD and autism to name a few which all have a commonality to them. Our brains are wired differently, it means that some things which are seen as the 'norm' we find difficult but there are other areas where we have strengths and abilities that others don't.

I mentioned this is a struggle I wouldn't change - there are things I find difficult, and I carry the scars of the things that were said about me as a child (and sometimes as an adult) but these things have all helped to make me who I am today. In Psalm 139 in the Bible King David writes:

*"I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made"*

God creates each of us with different strengths and weaknesses, sometimes we can get so distracted by our difficulties that we miss the gift that can come through them.

I pray that you might find strength in the scars you carry and the part they play in making you the person you are meant to be.

God bless. *Simon*

## HOLY TRINITY SERVICE DATES

February	
2 <sup>nd</sup> 9:30 am	Family Service – David Talks
9 <sup>th</sup> 9:30 am	Holy Communion – Simon Faulks
16 <sup>th</sup>	No Service
23 <sup>rd</sup> 9:30 am	Holy Communion – tbc
March	
1 <sup>st</sup> 9:30 am	Family Service
8 <sup>th</sup> 9:30 am	Holy Communion – tbc

### Holy Trinity Church

Dates for your 2020 Diary:

**Mousefest2 'Once Upon A Time'** April 18 & 19

**Summer Garden Fete** June 13

#### **Christmas Collections**

We raised **£131.71** for the **Children's Society** at the Christmas Eve Christingle and Christmas morning services. In addition, the school raised a further **£76.48** at their **Christingle** bringing the total to **£208.19**. Thank you to all who came to our services and contributed.

### Greenacre Hall

#### Village Trivia Night

15 teams took part in the annual Village Hall Quiz on January 11th, 2020. Congratulations to Richard Pownell's team who came first.

#### The Yoga Rose

Saturdays 10.00 -11.00 am & now Mondays at 7.30-9.30pm

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#### Short Mat Bowls

Mondays & Wednesdays 2.30-4.30 pm - £2 per session. If you haven't played before, please come along and give it a go (coaching available). New and experienced players welcome.



## DRAYTON PARSLOW BAPTIST CHAPEL



Thank you to Liz Carter-Gates for taking our Carol Service on 8<sup>th</sup> December. Thanks to the Drayton Parslow Singers, Anne Sherry who played for us, Sophie Titmuss who played the flute. The Christmas tree and Chapel decorations looked lovely thanks to Vera and Carol. The buffet after the Carol Service had lots of delicious cakes to tempt us with – thanks to all our cooks. The afternoon collection of £220 was donated to the Childhood Cancer Research Fund at Oxford Radcliffe Hospital.

Our Chapel Services are on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays of each month at 11am. All services at the present moment in time will be taken by the congregation.

Any enquiries concerning the Chapel, please contact: Mrs J McCall 720486 or Mrs E Mallick 720666

### URGENT NEWS FROM THE BAPTIST CHAPEL

The Baptist Chapel was built 190 years ago. Our Minister left in 2001, leaving four members which is the minimum needed to keep the Chapel open. We comprise of a Secretary, Treasurer and two Deacons. We still have the same four members, However, due to advancing years, ill health and home commitments we are struggling to ensure the Chapel remains open. We will manage our own services until further notice. These are at 11am on the first and third Sundays in the month.

**If you think you may be able to help we will be very pleased to hear from you.**

*Ken McDonald, Treasurer*

### ***Stewkley Players Present:***

The comedy

## **Dinnerladies**

**(as 'not' seen on TV!)**

***the canteen shutters will be up: 18th – 21st March 2020 8pm***

**Tickets on sale from 24th Feb from Box Office: 07845 489167 & from Stewkley Village Hall on 10am – 12 noon Sundays 1st, 8th & 15th March 20**

# Drayton Parslow Sports & Social Club

The Recreation Ground, Main Road, Drayton Parslow, MK17 0JR



## Upcoming Events

The bar will be open for the forthcoming Race Night on Sat 8<sup>th</sup> Feb.

## Regular Events

There are lots of clubs and activities running out of the Sports & Social club. Key sessions are:

Day	Time	Event
Tuesdays	9-11am	Mobile Post Office
Tuesdays	8-10pm	Whist Drive All welcome.
Mondays	PM	Abbey Smith Bridge Club
Wednesdays	AM, PM & EVE	More details can be found on <a href="http://www.bridgewebs.com/abbeysmith">www.bridgewebs.com/abbeysmith</a>
Thursdays	AM & EVE	
Fridays	PM	
Fridays	EVE	Local Cards Players Petanque
Saturdays	Monthly, 7-10pm	Bingo Doors open 7pm, eyes down 8pm. The bar is open and the Fish & Chip van will be in attendance. Next dates are 15 Feb 2020, 14 Mar 2020, 18 Apr 2020
Sundays	12-2pm	Open Bar session Petanque Court Open All welcome.

## Hall Hire

Subject to diary availability, the clubhouse remains available to hire. With a lovely view over the Cricket / Rec ground, we have a large, spacious hall with kitchen, ladies/gents/disabled toilet facilities, Bar facilities, and outdoor space to the rear of the club.

Hall Hire charges are fixed at £10 per hour (if the bar is required, there is an incremental hourly charge, charged according to the number of bar staff needed). A non-refundable deposit and hire agreement form are required for all bookings. Please contact Sarah Norman on 07970 820342 for hire availability.





## Your New Year's Garden

Gardening Advice from Gill Gallon,  
Potash Nursery [www.potashplants.co.uk](http://www.potashplants.co.uk)

HAPPY NEW YEAR to you all, 2020 already - how time flies. This year we need to focus even more on the environment so let's start with as much recycling as we can. We have seen for ourselves the effects of climate change in our gardens, hot dry summers and cold, wet winters. Can we predict what it will be like this year? Probably not but let's all do all we can to help the environment.

- 🌍 Attract wildlife to your garden by filling it with as many native plants as possible. Native wildflowers are easy to grow and maintain and are often more resistant to pests than non-natives. They are also ideal for attracting bees and butterflies, which need all the help they can get with numbers declining across the country.
- 🌍 *Finish clearing away fallen leaves, ones under bushes and hedges can be left as they provide a good mulch for the plants or store them in a quiet corner to provide a warm winter refuge for small animals. All the raked-up leaves can be left to rot down in a leaf bin or aerated bin liner. This is a great time for making compost, all those carbon-rich cards and cardboard can be shredded, and nitrogen-rich vegetable peelings all get added to the heap.*
- 🌍 Growing your own is not only enjoyable but also allows us to determine the amount of chemicals we use and saves on food miles. Start thinking about what you like to eat and, therefore, what you want to grow. Seed potatoes should be available from late January and can be stored in a light, cool place to chit ready for planting in spring. You can still sow broad beans under cloches if conditions are suitable. For runner beans, prepare a deep trench, dig out and fill with rotted compost from your compost bin. Use straw to safeguard current crops from severe frosts. Keep off the garden when it is very wet especially on heavy soil - use old planks to pick sprouts & other winter crops.
- 🌍 *Make use of your own "green gym". If you really need to work off the holiday indulgences, dig over any vacant beds that have not been dug already. And do some planting, now is a good time for new roses and shrubs. Throughout the year, working in the garden benefits us all both physically and mentally.*
- 🌍 Add a water butt to your garden. It is an inexpensive and effortless way to capture mineral- and chlorine-free water for watering lawns, and gardens. You should not only notice a dip in water costs, but also a reduction in rainwater runoff, which in turn helps prevent erosion and flooding. Pop a screen on top of your barrel to keep out insects, debris, and bird missiles, and make frequent use of your water supply to keep it moving and aerated.
- 🌍 *Keep putting out food and water for hungry birds, hedgehogs etc, food is scarce for them over winter and the more we can encourage wildlife into the garden, the more we can rely on them to keep pests under control.*

So, let's do what we can to go green in our gardens this year – and then add lots of lovely colour with vibrant and beautiful planting.

Happy Gardening in 2020.

PS Although we are closed in February, if you would like to visit the nursery, just give us a call and we will open for you.

## PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

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<https://www.facebook.com/groups/DraytonParslowPC/>  
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Please note our new email address: [draytonparslowclerk@gmail.com](mailto:draytonparslowclerk@gmail.com)

**Planning:** We have had a couple of planning applications, the most notable being 19/04017/APP, an application for dog boarding at Ridge Farm. If you want to be notified of planning news please contact the Clerk.

**Parish Clerk:** We have a new Clerk, **Susan Watson:** “I have worked in schools for the past 7 years, with roles including a School Safeguarding and Attendance Officer and a Special Educational Needs Assistant. Prior to this I worked for Norfolk and Angus Council as a Planning Enforcement Officer, so I have some prior knowledge of how Councils work. After serving for 13 years in the Royal Air Force, at home and abroad, I finally settled down and started a family. We have lived in Milton Keynes for nearly 8 years and although originally from Bonnie Scotland, I have no plans to return as I’m having too much fun here! I look forward to becoming a central point for Drayton Parslow Parish Council and dealing with any challenges ahead. Please don’t hesitate to contact me and I will endeavour to help you or indeed, seek advice on your behalf!”

**Clothing Bank:** We are pleased to report that our clothing bank has contributed 506Kg of unwanted clothes, shoes and accessories. By diverting this amount of clothing from landfill you saved roughly 4811 kg of CO<sub>2</sub> emissions and 841 m<sup>3</sup> of water from being wasted.

**Parish Council Vacancy:** With Parish Council elections coming up in the spring we may have a vacancy on the council, if you’re interested please contact the Clerk.

### News from The Three Schools

As ever, we’ve embraced the new term with gusto! In EYFS pupils have started the term with a Wow day to launch their topic of ‘Turrets and Tiaras’ and in Key Stage 1, Year 1 and 2 have started to look at their topic of ‘The United Kingdom’.

In Key Stage 2, Year 3 have started to explore their topic of ‘The Stone Age, Iron Age and Bronze age’, Year 4 are enjoying the topic of ‘Rivers and Mountains’, Year 5 have started to look at ‘Coasts’ and Year 6 have begun the interesting topic on ‘The Tudors’

Carol-Anne McCollum and David May (Executive Co-Headteachers)

### A mysterious mythical creature visits Year 2 at Drayton Parslow

The children in year 2 were amazed to find that a mystical creature had visited their school one Wednesday evening. The children spent the morning looking for clues to its appearance. What does it look like? Why is it here? Is it friendly? They enthusiastically recorded their ideas in their English books. Its planet has been destroyed so it needs to lay its eggs on Earth.

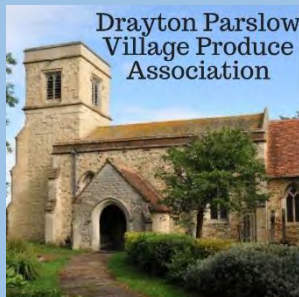


The mysterious animal is cherry red, it has fiery eyes and can travel the speed of light.

Have a look at some of the mysterious clues Year 2 found on the playground and in the classroom.

Mrs Martin (Year 2 Teacher)

## VPA News Update



Well it's been a busy couple of months.

In November we held our second **Christmas Fayre**, this again proved very popular with over thirty stalls displaying their items for sale.

At the beginning of December, 19 people attended the **festive lunch**, which I hope they all enjoyed. Thank you to Nigel and Laura for their help serving and clearing empty plates. Approximately **£50 was raised for Florence Nightingale Hospice**. Thank you everyone.

Later in December was the turn of the **Children's Christmas party**. Thirty-five children turned up for a fun afternoon decorating gingerbread men and colouring in Christmas pictures. Each child had a box of party food to enjoy before going in to the "grotto" to visit Santa and receive a gift. At the end of the afternoon 35 tired but happy children went home looking forward to the "Big Day".

Thank you to everyone who helped to organise the event and also a big thank you to everyone who turned up and supported us on the day.

It's now a short rest before organising the **Summer Show** and also the **Annual Quiz**. We look forward to seeing you at all our events.

If you would like to be involved we would love to welcome you into our very friendly group.

For more details on the VPA contact

**Linda 07851077684**

**34 Main Road Drayton Parslow.**

## Christmas Lights 2019



The evening of 30th November, the "**Big Light Switch On**" was again a success. It was cold, but not freezing and it didn't rain!!

**G Elvis** did us proud again, entertaining the crowd with his fantastic singing.

Thank you, Graham, you make it such a special event.

£250 was raised for **Florence Nightingale Hospice** and we also had a very generous donation of £100, bringing the **total raised to £350**.

Thank you everyone who supported us, makes it all worthwhile.

The Fedoriw Family

### Drayton Parslow Football Kickabout

I am looking to start a football kick about for young kids up to 8 years old every other Saturday morning 10-11am at the Multi Use Games Area (MUGA), Recreation Ground.

If interested please contact M (16 Main Road) at [mtnnelson@outlook.com](mailto:mtnnelson@outlook.com).

All children to be accompanied by a responsible adult.

Any ideas to make this more fun for the kids are welcome.

## You Might Like This...

Here are reviews and suggestions by local residents of things you might like to try:



### A Good Dance

Michelle Stanmore recommends...

## Back to the old skool Northampton



As some of you might be aware, I love my music. I was admin for the official **Street Sounds** page a few years ago. **Street Sounds** is all about Hip-Hop/Electro/Funk and soul. This is where I met so many likeminded people like myself, some of them do an event in Northampton at the **Charles Bradlaugh pub** once every 2-3 months.

I love going to this event as I can truly let my hair down and dance the night away to lots of old skool funk/electro/hip-hop and soul grooves. It's a great pub with a fantastic atmosphere where you won't be judged on your appearance (good job for me as I can turn up in my retro Adidas trainers, lots of girls dress up but I can't do heels) we have a few of the crew that do breakdancing but as we are all getting older, can't do the moves we used too. still have lots of fun doing the Candy Slide.

So, if you are into everything from **Loose Ends** to **Newcleus/Cameo** to the **Sugar Hill Gang**, let me know, maybe you could dust off your trainers and come along to the next event with me (28th March) You will be ALL be welcomed. No dancing experience necessary, as we are not there to judge....just there for the music.

(Slide....Wave....Robot (Gavin and Stacey style) shouts out...'Peace'....drops mic)

Michelle (aka Leighton Lady Locker)



## A Good Read for children

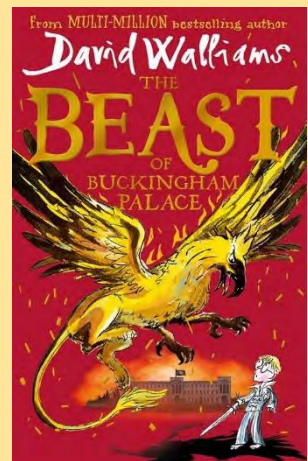
Francesca Darnley recommends...

## THE BEAST OF BUCKINGHAM PALACE

By David Walliams

*"The year is 2120 and London is in ruins. Young Prince Alfred has never left his home in Buckingham Palace, but when his beloved mother, the Queen, is dragged off to the Tower of London, Alfred sets off on an epic adventure to rescue her. Then a mysterious beast begins roaming the halls of Buckingham Palace, Alfred must gather all his courage to save the not just the kingdom...but the world!"*

The Beast of Buckingham Palace by David Walliams is an interesting, funny and exciting book. I recommend it because David Walliams is an amazing children's author. I always enjoy his books, but The Beast of Buckingham Palace is my favourite. This is because I love the plot and the twist near the end.



### My Favourite Part

My favourite part is the twist near the end which means it's even more exciting and makes you want to read on. I like the twist because it is something you would never guess to happen. I also like that Alfred is so kind to his father (the King) even after what he did to Alfred.

### My Favourite Character

My favourite character is Alfred who is the Prince and a sickly boy of 12. I like him because he is kind, brave, adventurous and determined to help. The thing I like most is that even though he was scared he overcame his fear and did the bravest thing he could have done.

### Star Ratings

Funny	☆☆☆☆☆	Exciting	☆☆☆☆☆
Draws you in	☆☆☆☆☆	Length	☆☆☆☆☆

**Why don't you try your hand at a review of something you would like to share with other villagers?**

It might be a book, a film, a day out, an activity, an exhibition, a recipe or anything else you think people might like to hear about as after all its your village news. You can email, call or drop a note through one of our doors and we will include it in the next edition - See page 1 for contact details



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**Jon Barraclough**  
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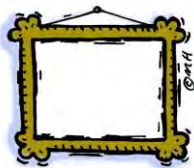
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# Drayton Parslow Singers

## Christmas Concert – Sunday December 22<sup>nd</sup> 2019

The Drayton Parslow Singers hosted another successful concert in the Church a few days before Christmas which made £210 profit in aid of the Church and choir funds. The atmosphere was warm and festive and the Church looked beautiful. Alongside the Christmas carols, music and readings, was the annually anticipated pantomime.... ‘Oh no there wasn’t!’, ‘Oh yes there definitely was!’

Short pantomimes, courtesy of Roald Dahl, are a concert tradition, but recently they have included some surprise features and famous names. Last year’s ‘Jack and the Winter(watch) Beanstalk’ was always going to be a hard act to follow, as it probably was the best panto there’s ever ‘bean’... however, undaunted, this year’s offering blew the house down with ‘The Three Little Masterpigs’.



The story of ‘**The Three Little Pigs**’ was cunningly told including their little-known appearance on Mastermind and eventual demise at the hands of a dastardly Drayton Parslow wolf and the villainous Red Riding Hood. The productions are gently nudged in the right direction by Helen Lee, although Helen says ‘I write the lines and then simply encourage everyone to have a go. Whatever the cast invent is always funnier than anything I could come up with. Drayton’s truly got a lot of talent!’



If you enjoy singing and would like to find out more about joining the Drayton Parslow Singers, please call Anne Glenn on 01296 720777.

## WREATH WORKSHOP December 2019

Once again a really lovely social event with the added bonus of everyone leaving with a handmade individual wreath many of which you spot whilst walking around the village. This year there were a record number of 34 people present and that will be the most we can take for next year so remember to book your place early - most likely to be 10th or 17th of December 2020!

All profit raised has gone to the Toilet/Kitchen Extension fund for Holy Trinity Church a vital help towards our goal to start building.

The team hope to see you all this year - Sue Milner, Sue Spavins and Wendy Preston.

