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Thoughts from High Westmorland

by Rev Beverley Lock

March is often a month of
contrasts.

One day Spring seems to be
here – the next Winter has
reasserted itself. "You never
know the day!" As they say.
I was recently talking to a
young man who had spent
three months working in
California USA and he was
very conscious, having been
used to Cumbria, that the
weather did not change.
"Every day you know what it
will be like – sunny!" He
commented, "The only
variation is whether it is a bit
foggy before the sun breaks
through and I didn't like it
after a while it was – well- well
too predictable really". "After a
day or two of driving rain I
could handle that sort of
predictable," I thought to
myself! We are at times all too
aware up here in High
Westmorland that we are at
the behest of forces beyond
ourselves.

However from time to time I
realise, to my shame, how I
take the privilege of change
and variation for granted.
When I visit folk who are bed-
ridden, or who are living away
from friends and family often
in isolated locations, then I
realise how fortunate I am. I
was recently told by an elderly
person that they have not
needed to open the door for
days because nobody had
called; how every day for
them was the same; then I

realise how precious change
and variation is.

For when all is said and done
even problems and
frustrations can be seen as
challenges to overcome and
opportunities to change
things; often for the better.
When every day is the same
routine, one thing after
another, it limits our human
creativity, our need to choose,
to solve problems, to struggle
– to really feel that we are
alive – that we make a
difference. From time to time
we may think we would like
life to be more secure and
predicable, especially when we
are ill or stressed, but the
truth is that the only thing that
does not change is a thing
that is dead. Then the
changes happen to it – for
nothing ever stays the same.
To me then change is part of
the God given dynamic of the
universe. It is part of human
life because human life is part
of this wonderful, ever
changing movement that is
existence. So when we have a
day when we feel weary and
just everything seems to be in
endless flux we do well to
remember the words of Henry
Newman,
"to live is to change; and to be
perfect is to change often."

God bless,

Beverley.

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The Kasese Street Kids Hostel Opening

The date of the opening of the Hostel is now arranged!

It is **Saturday 24th March**.

Mary and I are determined to be there for this great and momentous occasion, after our four years of fund-raising.

Over £40,000 has been given, in large and small donations; a substantial proportion of this has been given by people in and around Orton, and we are so very grateful.

Last time we were there, in spring 2010, we saw the foundations of the building, and we found the sight moving and exciting.

Now we are to see it very nearly complete (we still need another £1,500), and the children who have been living on the streets will be invited in. No more scrabbling in filthy rubbish dumps to find something to stave off the pangs of hunger; not more being arrested as a nuisance, and carted off to gaol - yes, this happens often to children 10 or 12 years old.

Now there will be a bed to sleep in, simple, decent food to eat, and someone to care.

Flights booked

Mary and I are flying out to Entebbe on 20th March, and return on the 30th. As well as attending the Opening Ceremony of the Hostel (and probably we will both stand up and say something!), we hope also:-

- To attend All Saints Church, Kasese, and I will probably preach. We hope we will be able to make a donation from Orton folk towards their new church building project.
- To form a Link between All Saints C. of E. Primary School, Orton, and a Kasese church Primary School.
- To visit the Reverend Nelson Isebagheen, and his young family: in 2008 and 2010 Nelson

not only welcomed us to his home, and translated my sermons in his church, but it was he who first introduced us to the Street Children - an encounter which changed our lives. He is now ministering to nomadic tribes some forty miles from Kasese. When in Kampala, to meet Garry Ions from Shap, a CMS Missionary doing building work of schools etc in Uganda.

As we said in last month's *Link*, we want to reassure donors that we are not using any money donated to Kasese Street Kids for our travel expenses; airline

tickets, inoculations and anti-malarial tablets (£250) and other expenses are paid for by us.

We will no doubt come back with hundreds of photographs, and this time we hope to borrow Orton School's camcorder, so that we can capture (among other things) the marvellous singing and dancing of the Africans.

Pray for us!

Christopher and Mary Jenkin

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Visit our Uganda Street Children blog at <http://kasesestreetkids.blogspot.com>

APCM

This is the official title of the AGM for a Parish Church. Everyone can attend these meetings but only those on the Church Electoral Roll can vote. Our three Parishes are holding their's this year on:-

St Oswald's Church Ravenstonedale

Sunday March 11th 2012

at 11am in the church

All Saints Church Orton

Tuesday 17th April 2012

at 7.30 pm in Church

St James' Church Tebay

Sunday 22nd April

at 11.45 am in Church

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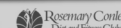
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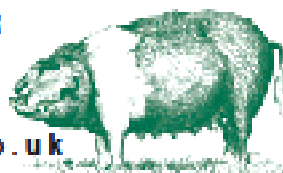


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<u>Sunday 4th March</u>	<u>2nd Sundav of Lent</u>	<u>Lessons</u>	<u>Liturgical colour</u>	Purple
ORTON	9.30am	Holy Communion	Ian Elliott	
Sidesman	Chris Bland	Prayers	Angela Milburn	
TEBAY	3.00pm	Songs of Praise	Beverley Lock	
RAVENSTONEDALE	9.15am	Morning Prayer	Reg Capstick	
		Readers	Caroline & David Morris	

<u>Sunday 11th March</u>	<u>3rd Sunday of Lent</u>	<u>Lessons</u>	<u>Liturgical colour</u>	Purple
ORTON	8.30am	Holy Communion	Chris Jenkin	
Sidesman	David Aspden	Readers	John Dunning	
TEBAY	4.00pm	2@4	Ronnie and Ian Elliott + BL	
RAVENSTONEDALE	10.00am	Holy Communion	Beverley Lock	
		Readers	Clare Stafford, David Vigor	

<u>Sunday 18th March</u>	<u>Mothering Sunday</u>	<u>Lessons</u>	<u>Liturgical colour</u>	Purple
ORTON	10.45am	Family Service	Beverley Lock	
Sidesman	Jim Milburn			
TEBAY	11.15am	Holy Communion	Ian & Ronnie Elliott	
RAVENSTONEDALE	10.00am	Moring Prayer	Chris Jenkin	Exodus 2: 1-10; 2 Timothy: 1: 3-7
		Readers	Dick & Janet Barlow	

<u>Sunday 25th March</u>	<u>5th Sundav of Lent</u>	<u>Lessons</u>	<u>Liturgical colour</u>	Purple
ORTON	9.30am	Morning Prayer	BCP Martin Dew	
Sidesman	Malcolm Coats	Readers	John Burra, Rob Willan	
TEBAY	11.15am	Holy Communion	Martin Dew	
RAVENSTONEDALE	6.00pm	Evensong	Martin Dew	
		Readers	Jane Parsler, Tom Reeves	

<u>Sunday 1st April</u>	<u>Palm Sunday</u>	<u>Lessons</u>	<u>Liturgical colour</u>	Red
ORTON	9.30am	Holy Communion	Chris Jenkin	
Sidesman	Gerald Weston	Prayers	Chris Bland	
TEBAY	3.00pm	Songs of Praise for Palm Sunday	Ian Elliott & Reg Capstick	
RAVENSTONEDALE	9.15am	Morning Prayer and Passion Gospel	Ian Elliott	

SUNDAY SERVICES IN OUR CHAPELS FOR MARCH 2012

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Orton	10.30am	A Dunstan	P Dew HC	US at PC	R Teal CA	LA
	6.30pm	D Marston	Connexion at Appleby	K Hopper	R Teal CA	P Dew
Newbiggin-on-Lune	10.30am	J Law *	B Staley *	W Riley *	T Dent *	P Dew *
	2.00pm 6.30pm	LA	Connexion at Appleby	LA	*	LA
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High level (external) surveying of property types across our area – Every attempt will be made to notify residents of this surveying work before it commences. The local policing teams will be made aware of the surveys taking place.

In depth surveying – These properties will be chosen from an existing list of property owners who have already engaged with the project via our Thermal Imaging work we delivered in November 2011.

Road Show - We will hold 5 events across the area over the weeks commencing 12th & 19th March, plus have a presence at Warcop Exchange on 10th March, to highlight ways in which property owners can improve their building insulation and introduce the governments 'Green Deal' which is expected to be available to property owners from October 2012.

Development of a community owned renewable energy project - this project has already begun, in the form of Wharton Wind, to gather data for a possible wind energy project in the parish. Insulating Eden will support the furtherance of this venture through the production of a business plan, along with the environmental impact assessments, habitat surveys etc.

A website - www.insulatingeden.org.uk, has been created to share the findings and be a source of information regarding improving thermal efficiencies of properties and reducing energy consumption.

Notes from the Herald, March, 1912

Weather milder (frosty nights), mixed. Four weeks into the Coal Strike.

Orton had 13 candidates for Vicar, two of them from Cumbria (as now is). A meeting arranged in the Market Hall, Wednesday, 13th at 10am then a poll in the school that day till 2pm. If no clear majority, a second poll 2.30 – 5pm; if no clear result a third poll on Thursday, 10-2pm, postal votes also accepted. The freeholders of Orton are the electorate for this. One of the candidates, Rev. F.G. Alnwick (curate of Dacre) preaches at Orton on Sunday 10th in the morning and afternoon and at Tebay that evening. On Wednesday night, 13th, he preaches at Greenholme. But he was not elected – he was runner up to Rev. H.F. Tilbury (Whitley Bay) who got 58 votes. Dacre's man got 18. Chairman of the Feoffees (Freeholders) Mr. Atkinson, cast the final vote. (A photo of him doing so was on Page 1 of the Sat. 16th issue). 7 of the 13 got no votes at all. Polling day was "springlike" and Orton was a lively scene that morning.

Tebay The new wall from the Primitive Methodist Chapel to the new Infant School is defective said Mr. W.J. Wharton by letter to RDC. RDC's surveyor to follow this up.

Married in this Chapel on Monday, 4th, Mr. William Park, son of Mr. Joseph Park (deceased) of Preston Richard and Mrs. Park of Stainton, to Martha, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. D.E. Machell, Old Tebay. She is in the Chapel choir and is secretary of its Christian Endeavour branch there. After a big wedding they depared for Canada (not his first visit). On Tuesday, 5th, Harry Dodd, Tebay married Lilian Bousfield, Gaisgill again in this Chapel. On Saturday evening that week the Chapel had its annual Sunday School prizegiving in the P.M. Assembly Hall; over 100 books were given out. 22 there won 1st class in the Scripture Exam.

Tebay Police Court (Dr. Gibson as judge) had only one case – a drunken gardener.

Ravenstonedale No news in March but from 6th February – Fell End Band of Hope meeting in the Wesleyan Chapel. A lot there and Mr. J. Fawcett (Ravenstonedale) was speaker. Several signed the Pledge at the end of the meeting – their promise to Abstain from All Drink forthwith for ever.

Joke: Visitor: Can you tell me the way to the dentist's?
Local: Certainly. Just to down this street for about 50 yards and go in where you hear a shriek!

Thanks again to Jeremy Godwin

Guided Archaeological Walk of Birkett Common, Mallerstang with local archaeologist Annie Hamilton-Gibney.

Sunday 25th March. Meeting at 2pm above Birkett Tunnel, on Tommy Road (which runs between B6259 & A683) OS Grid: NY 5774, 3034

This is a fundraising walk for the Mallerstang Jubilee Fund.

(Minimum donation of £3 please) A reasonable level of fitness is required and please dress appropriately for the weather

A Thought from Tebay

by Elizabeth Crossley

2012 – what a year this is going to be and to remember – firstly the Queens Diamond Jubilee and then the Olympic Games to be held in London. Two events which will be a new experience for everyone.

All members of the Royal Family will be visiting most areas of the UK, together with many Commonwealth countries during this year. How will we be celebrating? Some towns and villages will have street parties (providing health and safety do not step in), other towns and villages will have carnivals, fetes and other type of celebrations. In June we will have an extra bank holiday to carry out whatever has been decided for the area.

Saturday's Daily Mail (February 11) is offering everybody a free tree to be planted for them in the Diamond Wood at Normanton le Heath in Leicestershire (near Ashby de la Zouche). This is an area covering more than 200 square miles of reclaimed farm land from a former mining landscape. Some trees have already been planted and the Woodland Trust (with help from Daily Mail readers) is planning to plant 100.000 trees in 460 acres. These trees will be all native species of oak, willow, hornbeam, black poplar, alder, ash, hawthorn and silver birch. These trees from Daily Mail readers can be dedicated to someone you love or commemorate a special family event. The dedications, along with your name and the person to whom your tree is dedicated, will be recorded in the Royal Record, a permanent register of all 6 million trees the Woodland Trust is hoping to plant to commemorate the Diamond Jubilee. The Royal Record will be available to view on line, with two bound copies presented to the Queen and the British Library. You will also be sent a certificate and, once your tree has been planted, you will be

able to visit the wood and identify the area where it is growing. This area in Leicestershire also has a lake, miles of hedgerows and pockets of ancient woodland.

As part of its Jubilee Woods project - the biggest planting operation in Britain- the Woodland Trust is overseeing the development of 60 Diamond Woods throughout the country as a lasting legacy to the Queen. It is a legacy that will grow and grow and be enjoyed by many generations to come. I have just started to collect my 21 different tokens which are printed daily in the Daily Mail. However if you are a Times, Guardian, Sun etc reader additional trees will be available for a £15 donation to the Woodland Trust – through the Daily Mail at the beginning of March. These bought trees also come with a certificate and your dedication will be

included in the Royal Record.

In June I will be watching all the Jubilee events on the TV, especially the pageant of hundreds of boats which will sail down the Thames led by the Queen in her barge. These boats will come from all over the country – The Lady of the Lake from Lake Windermere being one of the flotilla.

In July I will again be 'glued' to the TV watching the opening and closing ceremonies and all the sporting events which come inbetween, followed of course by the paraolympics. Let's hope that the venues will be safe and Team GB will win a clutchful of medals, hopefully many gold ones.

We also can look forward to in 2012 footballing and cricketing events (let's hope they do better than this last test).

All in all 2012 will be a year we will all remember.

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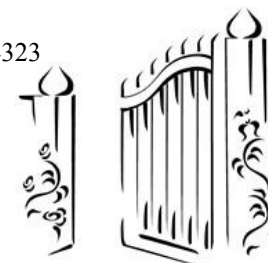
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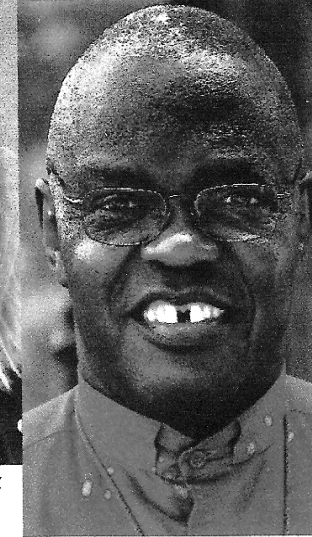
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The children all went home with fantastic goody bags at the end of the day.

Thank you to Conlon Construction for an informative and interactive session. Conlon are working near the Junction 38 Roundabout, on the new Lyon building.



Jack and the Beanstalk

All the Tebay children went to St. Thomas church in Kendal to watch a performance of Jack and the Beanstalk. The set design was intriguing and especially the younger children were enthralled!

Chinese New Year

The children in stepping stones have been exploring the Chinese New Year. Mae-Ling visited and a Chinese Dragon Dance was performed...after creating the dragon.

Winter Warmer Saturday 3rd March 11am onwards.

Come and enjoy cheerful company warm food in the newly decorated school hall!

The Cumbria Ski Trip

Callum, Alistair, Caitlin, Sami, Nathan and Robbie spent a whole week away from school, with the Headteacher and many other school children and teachers from across the county. They had a long coach journey through France to reach the Alps, where they had a week of ski tuition and fun! The rooms were comfortable and large, the food edible...but the ski-ing, bumboarding etc were awesome! The children came back full of happy memories and confidence and all would love to be able to go again.

Whilst they were away, the rest of Y5+6 had a great time on Art and Design Technology projects. Jinx modelling and modroc work was a superb challenge using the extra space in the classroom well!



Hunter Hall and Cross Country

Four children were trained by Lorna Askew and taken to the Hunter Hall Cross Country competition. Although the snow was on the ground at Tebay, near Penrith was clear. The children enjoyed the experience and one boy achieved a third place!

Miss Lowther settles in!

Miss Lowther has made the infant classroom her own and has settled into school with cheerful enthusiasm.

Breakfast Club initiative

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April Friday 27 th	8.00	Orton Market Hall	Dot Boughton (Portable Antiquities Scheme)	Cumbrian Archaeology. Recent finds from the PAS
May Thurs 17 th	7.30	Orton Market Hall	Kate Sharpe (Durham University)	Mountains Monuments and Motifs (Prehistoric rock art)

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**TEBAY AND ORTON WI
CELEBRATING 70 YEARS**

2012 marks the 70th anniversary of Tebay W.I. As part of our celebrations we hope to dig deep into our archives to stage a display at the annual exhibition at Tebay Church at the beginning of May and at Orton Church during the Jubilee weekend exhibition. We would like to be able to show as many photographs of previous members and WI events as we are able, and anything else that might be relevant to Tebay and Orton WIs. If you have any such artefacts that we could borrow, then please contact any WI member for more information or Felicity Lawler [tel:-24465](tel:01539624465)

We look forward to hearing from you.

Orton

ALL SAINTS' ORTON.

The theme for this year's Annual Gift Day and Exhibition will be

"A SHINING EXAMPLE"

This year is the Diamond Jubilee of our Queen and with the Jubilee celebrations taking place the same weekend as the bank holiday it means that the Exhibition will be one week later than usual on Saturday, Sunday and Monday 2nd, 3rd & 4th June. *Queen Elizabeth the 2nd is certainly one "Shining Example" but many others can be included from inventors to statesmen, musicians to engineers, authors to sportsmen, businessmen to missionaries and political reformers with fictional characters also possible for inclusion.* Perhaps a good way of deciding on suitable people to be included would be

Have they changed the world for the better?

Please bring your ideas and displays to All Saints' Church for the Bank Holiday weekend and share with others about who has been an inspiration in your life. Please come along to help display all the material that we get, bake cakes or scones or serve refreshments over the weekend.

Everyone is very welcome to be a member of the Team.

If you are willing to help please contact Angela Milburn..24382, Marian Robinson..24384 or any PCC member.



FRIENDS OF ORTON SCHOOL

SPONSORED WALK (approx 4 miles)

Saturday 3rd March 2012

Starting from Orton Primary School at 1.30pm

Anyone can take part (parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, brothers, sisters, friends etc), everyone will be very welcome, you can either get sponsors (forms are available in the Post Office or from the school office) or you can make a donation on the day.

All the money raised from the walk will go towards the Years 3, 4, 5 & 6 residential trips in April and May.

Please note that as a lot of the walk is over rough grassland we would recommend wellies or walking boots and that you don't take very young children unless you are prepared to carry them, as the terrain is unsuitable for pushchairs.

Afterwards there will be tea and cakes in the school



highlights

community touring scheme

Reg Meuross and Bethany Porter

Songs about Tom, Dick and Harry

Orton Market Hall on Saturday 31 March at 7.30pm

Gifted singer/songwriter Reg Meuross visits Orton Market Hall with a new show looking at the events that influenced the lives of several extraordinary men and women.

The programme consists of original songs about luminaries such as TOM (the poet Thomas Chatterton), DICK (Turpin, the highwayman), and HARRY (Farr, the First World War soldier, shot by his comrades for 'cowardice'). The songs are part of a collection of extremely beautiful songs sung in his soulful voice and complimented by excellent guitar, tenor guitar and dulcimer playing, and accompanied by Bethany Porter on cello. Bethany is a brilliant and distinctive cellist and ukelele player and appears regularly with the likes of Eliza Carthy, Bellowhead and Babel.

Reg's writing, performing and acting credits include work with people as diverse as the famous French Composer, Vladimir Cosma – who wrote the cult movie 'Diva' - Gerard Depardieu; Marsha Malamet; Nick Lowe; Robbie Coltrane; Jeremy Hardy; and Paul Merton as well as appearances at Edinburgh, Glastonbury, Sidmouth and all the major British festivals.

"One of the best singer/songwriters of our time.... The man is an exceptional teller of tales, a true voice of the people." Folk Radio

LISTINGS INFORMATION
Date/ Time: Saturday 31 March at 7.30pm
Venue: Orton Market Hall, CA10 3RJ
Tickets: Adult £7, Child £4 and £18 Family tickets
Bookings: Tickets are on sale at Orton Village Stores or by calling 01539 624732 or via sally.seed@btconnect.com.

Table-top and Garage Sale
Local produce
Crafts and Bric-a-brac
Sunday May 6th 2012
From 10 am to 4pm
£10 per table/garage
Refreshments available
Proceeds to RC&HC (formerly High Chapel)

Appleby Embroiderers Guild
Tuesday 6th March
7.30 pm, Guide Hut, Appleby
Learn how to make
Dorset Buttons with
Val Osborne
All welcome
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Appleby Heritage Centre Ltd
Station Yard, Appleby Tel: (017683) 53350
E-mail: info@applebyheritagecentre.org.uk

COURSES STARTING SOON

Start	Weeks	Time	Start date
Basic Computers at Kirkby Stephen	10	13.00 – 15.00	Tues 21 Feb
Digital Photography for Beginners	4	19.00 – 21.30	Thurs 23 Feb
Springtime Floral Arranging at K Stephen	4	19.00 – 21.00	Mon 27 Feb
Feltmaking	1 day	10.00 – 16.00	Sat t.b.a.
Jewellery Making	1 day	10.00 – 16.00	3 Mar
Machining	6	18.30 – 20.30	t.b.a.
Emergency First Aid	1 day	09.00 – 17.00	Sat 24 March

Christina Collis, Adult Learning Development Officer
hosts IT drop-in sessions between 10 a.m. and 12 noon
at the Kirkby Stephen Local Links Centre
each Friday during term time and offers information and guidance
on adult learning courses available in the Upper Eden area

Highlights Rural Touring – Spring Programme

Chris Newman Trio - Still Getting Away With It
Sunday 18th March 2012 7.30pm Shap Memorial Hall

Chris Newman, one of the UK's most staggering and influential acoustic guitarists" (fRoots) brings his new trio to Shap Memorial Hall for an evening of adventurous musical travels.

Balancing "finger-busting wizardry" (The Scotsman) with tender lyricism, Chris's music crosses boundaries with consummate ease. Guitars, mandolins and bass explore musical genres from English, Scottish, Irish, Swedish, American and Quebecois traditional to country, ragtime, Latin, African, swing and modern jazz – all the while creating a seamless whole that lifts the heart.

The Trio is touring with Highlights Rural Touring Scheme and Chris's laid back style and warm and witty anecdotes are well suited to the intimacy of village halls and rural touring venues. Joining him on guitar and mandolin is Andy Watt from Callander (Tom McConville's Big Band & Alistair Anderson's Steel Skies among others) and on bass, Keith Rae from Edinburgh (Humphrey Lyttleton).

For further information about Chris Newman visit www.oldbridgemusic.com

Tickets: Adult: £10 Conc: £8.50 Child: £5 Family: £25
Bookings: 01931 716273



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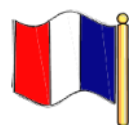
Newbiggin-on-Lune

Newbiggin-on-Lune Public Hall

French Evening



Saturday 5th May
7.30pm



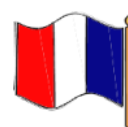
Come and enjoy

A three course meal and glass of wine



Tickets £10

To book
Contact M Law 015396 23409



Newbiggin On Lune Parent and Toddler Group

Every Friday morning
(term time)
10am - 11.30am
in the Methodist Chapel
Schoolroom
Toys and Activities for children
under 5
Children over 6 months £1.50
(includes refreshments)
For More Details Contact
Chaantallaimy on
01539623048
Paula on 07951523433
or Margaret on 01539623498

Toddler and Parent Fete

We are holding a
'Spring Fete'
Saturday 10th March
10am -1pm
At Newbiggin on Lune Chapel
Come and Join us for Games,
Activities, Refreshments,
Cake stall, Bric-a-Brac and
Much More.

Chaantallaimy Nicholson
Parent and Toddler Group
Secretary

UPPER EDEN FIRST RESPONDERS

Lottery Winners for February

1st - Brenda Young - Brough
Sowerby
2nd - Pamela Rose - Kirkby
Stephen
3rd - Sheila Cherry - Kirkby
Stephen

Upper Eden First
Responders thank you very much
for your continued support.
If you would like further
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the 100 Club Lottery, please
contact Mollie Young
Telephone 017683 72833 or via
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Newbiggin-on-Lune Village Hall

You don't need a partner
or previous experience
Every Friday – 7.30pm.
£2 per night – First Night Free
Everyone welcome
Further details – 017683 72990

Newbiggin on Lune Methodist Church

will be open every Tuesday
morning from the 7th February.
You are welcome to pop in
between 10 and 12 for coffee,
cake and chat. We would love to
see you every week or just once
in a while. It's good to get
together.

Newbiggin on Lune Methodist Chapel.

Come and join us for:-

- Sunday Services – weekly at 10.30am until further notice.
- Sunday School – weekly at 10.30am
- Youth Club – fortnightly on Thursdays; 6.30pm – 8pm (year 5 upwards). Snooker, pool, table tennis, playstation, football & hockey (term time only).

We are friendly and welcoming and would love you to come and spend time with us.

For more information phone Andrea on 23033

Orton

Orton and Tebay Local History Society

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Monday 19th March:

Tebay Methodist Church, 7.30 p.m.
Annual General Meeting.
Time to renew your subscription:
March 2012-March 2013: £7.00
Exhibition and Photographs

Thursday 19th April:

Orton Market Hall, 7.30 p.m.
Colin Smith: "Milestones,
Mileposts and Toll Houses of Cumbria"

Monday 14th May:

Orton Market Hall, 7.30 p.m.
Margaret Golling: "Brough-under-
Stainmore – Life on the edge"

Tuesday 19th June: 7.00 p.m.

A walk around Great Asby with
Michael Parkin. Meet at Great Asby
Church.

Thursday 12th July: 7.00 p.m.

A visit to Drybeck Hall, the home
of Lord and Lady Hothfield.
Please book as numbers are
limited. **Members only.**

For further information phone Wendy
Higgins, Programme Secretary, 015396
24780.

Non-members welcome at meetings –
£2.00

WORKSHOPS AT ORTON MARKET HALL

Weds February 15th Rag rugs and felt

Sue Gilmartin will be teaching rag rugs for all levels. All materials
provided for beginners and those with nothing on the go, but if you are
experienced and working on something, bring it.
At the same time there will be felt, and I have someone wanting to do
crewel work. Please let me know what you would like to do and I'll
make sure I bring the right materials.

Thursday March 15th Felt and Batik

Caroline King from Ulverston will be taking a batik workshop -she will
bring all materials, for which there will be a small extra charge.
I will be teaching felt – any technique, including 3D and nuno. Any
level of expertise.

Thursday 29th March Machine embroidery

Any techniques you fancy. Using water soluble fabric, making cords,
using tyvek etc. Just let me know

Wednesday 18th April UFOs

A day for sorting out those UnFinished Objects. Maybe you have pieces
you're stuck with – don't know how to finish it, or forgotten how to do it?
Or perhaps you just can't find the time to get it done. And if you are
one of the rare people without unfinished bits lying around, come and
start something! Any techniques.

All classes 10 am-4 pm, £25/day, including tea and coffee. Book all 4 in
advance and pay at time of booking for £90

Please book in advance. More details from Jan on 015396 24249 or
ivyhall.hicks@googlemail.com. If you have other ideas for classes
please let me know – if I can't do it I usually know a woman who can!

CEILIDH

REUNION Band Orton Market Hall

Friday 30th March
7.30 pm start

Adults £7 Under 16's £3.00
Primary School Children FREE

Tel. 015396 24258

Bring & Share Supper
BYOB

In aid of
All Saints' Church Orton

ALL SAINTS CHURCH

Lent

We will be having
Lent Devotional Services
on Wednesdays, 7.30pm
starting February 29th.

Welcome to anyone who would like
to share this
preparation for Easter.

Newbiggin-on-Lune Public Hall

Contacts:

Chairman : Pauline Capstick Mob: 07973 502355

Secretary : Marion Law Tel: 015396 23409

Treasurer : Carl McLaughlin Tel: 015396 23674

Caretaker : Paul Boustead Tel : 015396 23033

**All bookings should be placed with the Caretaker All
payments to the Treasurer.**

Orton School News

Swimming Lessons

Every Wednesday afternoon, we go swimming on a bus to Appleby Pool. The water is freezing when we first get in, but we soon get warm when we are splashing about. We think "jumping in" is the best part of swimming, and splashing Mrs Green with the sponges!!!! By Tom, Owen, Oliver and William



Birds of Prey Visit

On 2nd February, Richard from Silverband Falconry Centre came to our school with some birds of prey. He brought a Buzzard, a Harris Hawk, an Eagle Owl, a Raven and a barn owl.

Richard started off by telling us all about the birds he had brought and then let us all hold the barn owl on our arm. The birds were beautiful in the flying display. The buzzard flew away onto a bush, but came back at the end. The funniest part of the day was when the birds kept on doing a poo on the mat! It made everyone laugh so much!

By Seb, Harriet and Jenny



The Icy Weather in Orton

It was very icy on the 9th of February and some children could not get to school. There were 26 people in the whole school but we still had a good time. Class 1 made bird feeders, class 2 played and class 3 did writing then joined class 1 with the bird feeders. But it was a bit of a struggle to get to school. It was so slippery some of us fell over on the ice. Mrs Arnold's car did a big skid on the bridge near school.

By Olivia and Josh R

Student Teachers

Class 3 have two student teachers called Miss Bristow and Miss Lewis. Class 2 also have a student teacher called Mr Gosling. Mr Gosling helps class 2. It's nice having Mr Gosling because he's our only male teacher! Miss Bristow and Miss Lewis helps class 3 in all our subjects.

By Lauren I and Megan.

The Swimming Gala

On the 8th of February we took part in a swimming gala. There were about 8 other schools that took part as well as us, who we raced against. We had to swim one or two lengths. Our teams were split into boys and girls. There were four columns and we were split into groups. It was awesome and great

Swimathon



On Saturday the 4th of February, a few people volunteered to swim for Orton school at Penrith swimming pool. They bravely adventured through all the snow to get there for 5:45pm. The swimmers were:

ORTON 1

Hayley
Mrs Arnold
Molly Lauren C
Lauren M Geoff

ORTON 2

Shona Julie
Archie Julian
Eleanor James
Emma

In 50 minutes Orton 1 did 90 lengths and Orton 2 did 84 lengths. Thank you to all the people who took part and sponsored us! By Hayley and Shona

Ravenstonedale

Don't Miss!

Lune Spring Players'

2012 Production of

Murdered to Death

By Peter Gordon

Directed by Glenys Lumley

Thursday, Friday, Saturday,
29th, 30th, 31st March 2012

at the Public Hall,
Newbiggin-on-Lune, 7.30 p.m.

Tickets £6 each from
Richard Staley 015396 23263 or
David Morris 015396 23308

Those who knew the Book House in Ravenstonedale, will be sorry to hear that Chris Irwin died on January 26th R.I.P.

Christopher Roger Irwin
24th January 1938 - 26th January 2012



MOTHERS DAY
SUNDAY 18TH MARCH

Why not bring your Mum, Gran or someone special for

Afternoon Tea

at **The Fat Lamb**
Ravenstonedale

Selection of Sandwiches

Fresh Cream Fancies, Delicious Cakes
Tea Breads, Scones with Jam and Cream
Bottomless pot of Tea or Coffee
Everything home-made on the premises

£7.95 per person

(Special diets catered for by arrangement)

Served from 2.30 to 5.30 pm

Call 015396 23242 to book

Newbiggin-on-Lune

Newbiggin-on-Lune Diamond Jubilee celebrations

COFFEE MORNING
IN THE PUBLIC HALL

Saturday 17th March

10am - 12 noon

Please support us in raising funds to cover the basic costs of the celebrations

Newbiggin-on-Lune Diamond Jubilee celebrations

Come along to make bunting at Low House (Wendy Hunters)
On Tues 21st Feb @ 7.30pm

bring your own scissors and fabric if you have them.

Next meeting Tuesday
13th March 7.30pm
Methodist Chapel N-on-L

Newbiggin-on-Lune Diamond Jubilee celebrations

Monday 4th June 2012

Starting at 1pm

To include

Fancy dress, children's sports, adults races, decorated wheelbarrows and decorated crowns

Followed by bring & share street party and ceilidh dancing Everyone welcome BYO drinks

Quilt

This January, Mrs Thorpe has been coming in to sew with us. We have made a patch work quilt for Mrs Carrick's baby girl Ellie Rose. First we had to design a picture on a piece of paper then we did it on our piece of felt. Then we had to sew our designs on the piece of fabric. We had to finally sew flowers on it to make look nice.

By Lauren M, Eleanor P

 * A special service for *
 * Mothering Sunday *
 * in St Oswald's Church *
 * 10am March 18th *
 * Posies for Mums *
 * Light refreshment afterwards *

MOTHER'S DAY SERVICE

MARCH 18TH

11 AM

AT FELL END CHAPEL

**NORTH WESTMORLAND ARTS
 2012 Appleby Concert Series**

All concerts are held in Appleby Public Hall at 7:30pm

Sun 25th Mar : Alena Lugovkina (flute) and Karim Said (piano accomp.)

Open to all. Admission at the door Oct/Jan £10; Nov/Feb/Mar £8.50.

Students half-price; accompanied under-18s free.

For discounted subscription tickets contact NWA Secretary Tel: 017684 83777

www.appleby-concerts.org.uk Email: enquiries@appleby-concerts.org.uk

Supported by Westmorland Arts Trust

Ravenstonedale Endowed Primary School

Rev Phil

Rev. Phil comes in every two weeks on a Thursday from 3:00 till 3:30. Rev. Phil always brings a toy in from Hawkins Bizzar, (His favorite toy shop.) and does a competition with it. One person from each year group in Class 2 participates, in the competition. If you participate you get a bag of sweets! If you win you get a big bag of sweets. The competition always has a meaning in it about Jesus or God. We all love Rev. Phil's assemblies and can't wait until it is our turn to play the game he has brought in.

By Ben Capstick

Guitar with Elliot By Hollie Boustead

Every Thursday Ryan, Matthew, Ben, Sam and myself have guitar lessons with Elliot, each week we try and learn a new song which when practiced we get chance to perform at our assemblies. When one of us does really well in the lessons Elliot gives out gold stickers which we put on our guitars.

On Friday night a number of children go to winter club. It's an extremely fun club! But it would be even better if we had snow! Sometimes we get snacks such as Hot dogs, hot chocolate and warm orange juice. We play all sorts of activities! We play snowball fights with newspaper, we make snowflakes with salt and water and we were going to go sledging but unfortunately there was NO snow!! Mrs Hutchinson runs the club and does an excellent job. Here are the people that go Leah Boustead, Rosie Kelly, Dominic Holroyd, Matthew Ousby, Calum Doogan, Callum Staley, Hollie Boustead, Robbie Boustead, Sam Hutchinson, Zak Tinsley, Frankie Kelly, Martha Kelly, Mia Richardson, Jake Tinsley, Willis Taylor, Joseph Boustead and Kailum Brown. On the first week we went outside to eat the hot chocolate and hot dogs! Mrs Hutchinson had made the hot chocolate from scratch. After we had the hot chocolate we played tag for a bit. Afterwards we went home

By Leah Boustead

Reading Club By Willis Taylor

This term Mrs Tringham has started a new reading club which takes place on a Monday night, we like to do this to get better at reading.

Football – By Martha Kelly

In January the junior girls went to Kirkby Stephen Sports College to play in a Football tournament, on arriving all the schools were put together and then were split into teams, this gave us chance to mix with the children from other schools. We then got chance to practice our skills, and play some matches.

At the end of term we would like to say thank you to Charlotte Bell for running our break fast club. Sadly she is leaving.

Class one's trip round the village

Class 1 topic is houses and homes so we took an exciting trip to Lythside. We were looking at a new build at the Staley house. We discussed the different materials used to build a house, we found it very interesting and the children loved it.

FC – R'dale Independent History Archive

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Savings and payments

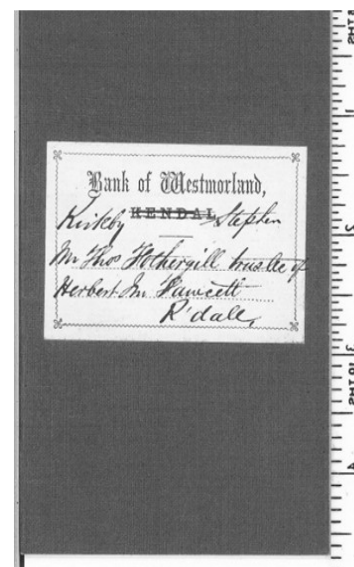
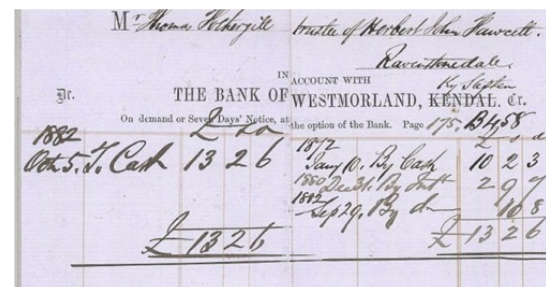
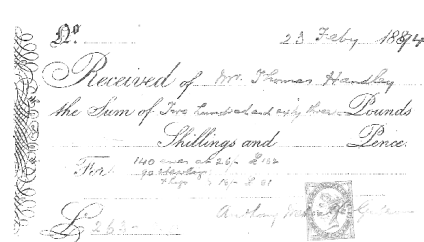
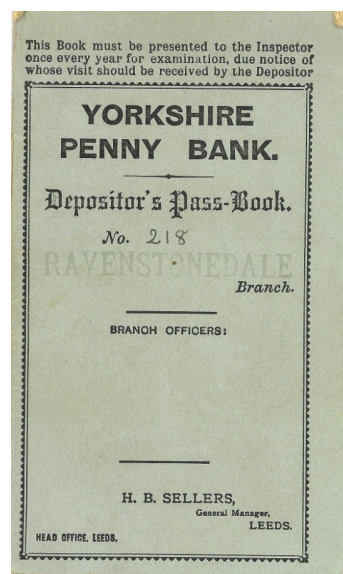
Ravenstonedale and the surrounding area.

Kirkby Stephen – unrest (archive)

“HUNDREDS of angry protesters marched through Kirkby Stephen on Thursday in a show of defiance against the County, Council's proposals to close the town's Grammar School. Cumbria County Council kills Rural Communities” -was the theme of the march, which began at the Croglin Castle pub, continued through the town, and into the school grounds. Protesters were led by Mr. Mike Bell, dressed as a town crier. He was followed by a British Legion standard bearer, district and parish councillors, Chamber of Trade chairman Anthony Kilvington, former Grammar School headmaster.....(ends)Newspaper article from the scrap books – and now the Waste Recycling Centre in 2012!

The Banks of Ravenstonedale & Westmorland

From the independent History Archive



Savings and payments – will be a new feature on the Independent History Archive pages of the community web site – www.ravenstonedale.org – search on history archive

Ravenstonedale

We will be holding the occasional *informal* Bible-based discussion group led by Rev Beverley Lock at Manor House, Ravenstonedale.

The 1st meeting will be on Monday, March 19th at 7.30pm

All welcome

A talk on the Quakers by Alan Clowes

The first talk given to the Ravenstonedale Parish History Group in 2012 took place on Wednesday 18th January at 7.30 at the High Chapel Community and Heritage Centre. The speaker, Alan Clowes, is the proprietor of the Cross Keys Hotel at Cautley, near Sedbergh; a temperance hotel serving good food to its customers. Alan is a longstanding Quaker and also runs a charity, the Thandi Friends Project, helping the community in an area east of Cape Town, South Africa. In the introduction to his talk Alan stressed the influence of the puritans and the rising of dissent and freedom of belief in the English population after the death of Charles the First. This allowed various dissident groups more freedom of expression. The groups included the Levellers, described by Alan as “like the communists of the time”, and others such as the Seekers and Quakers.

The Westmorland Seekers, led by Thomas Preston of Preston Patrick, had followers in Swaledale, Wensleydale and in Sedbergh. Gervase Benson, the local leader of the Seekers, lived at Borrett Farm in Sedbergh and partly at High Haygarth (now the Cross Keys Hotel, Cautley). The Seekers were well supported in the area when, in 1652, “came a man who had a strong but strange dialect” down the road from Garsdale towards Sedbergh. This was George Fox, originally from Leicestershire, who had travelled into the Dales, preaching on his way, and when he reached Garsdale he asked for directions to the home of Richard Robinson at Brigflatts. Robinson gave him shelter for the night but was nevertheless a little wary of him and, just in case, locked all his doors and hid his pewter out of sight for the night! The next day Robinson introduced Fox to Gervase Benson who was considered an important local man at the time, having been a Justice of the Peace, a Mayor of Kendal

RAVENSTONEDALE PARISH HISTORY GROUP

WEDNESDAY 21ST MARCH 2012

7.30 PM

Ravenstonedale High Chapel Community & Heritage Centre

THE UPPER EDEN VALLEY IN THE GREAT WAR WITH CANON RICHARD WILLCOCK *CHAIRMAN OF THE UPPER EDEN HISTORY SOCIETY*

Admission: Members £1.00 Non Members £2.00
including refreshments

For more information contact Val Fermer on 01539 623693 or e-mail history@ravenstonedale.org

and one of Cromwell’s senior army men. Benson and his wife became supporters of Fox and the Quakers and later, when they lived at High Haygarth, Dorothy Benson regularly disrupted church services. She was eventually sent before magistrates and committed to prison in York where she died in 1658 and then was buried in the garden at High Haygarth. Gervase Benson gave up all his titles on becoming a Quaker and became a husbandman.

Fox met up with seekers and preachers at Benson’s house the day after staying at Brigflatts, on Whit Sunday, 1652, and the following day went to the Hiring Fair at Sedbergh. He spoke to a gathering of people whilst standing in a tree in the churchyard urging them to come out of their churches and join him. He was challenged by one man who asked him why, if he was such a great preacher, he did not preach in the church and Fox answered that it was because the church was only a building. Another preacher who was there that day was Francis Howgill who was so impressed with Fox that he invited him to attend a gathering at Firbank Fell, a remote place quite some distance from Sedbergh. On 2nd June 1652 they held their meeting at Firbank and George Fox spoke from two o’clock that afternoon for a period of several hours, relating how he had seen a vision at Pendle Hill in Lancashire of a multitude arriving to hear him preaching. More and more people arrived at Firbank to hear him and by three o’clock more than a thousand people were there, mostly Seekers. From Firbank, Fox went on to preach in other areas of Cumbria including Ulverston, where he met and married Margaret Fell, a strong and independent Seeker in her own right. Alan stressed that “women played as important a role as men in the Quaker movement”. Alan went on to talk more generally about the Quaker movement, its development, and how Quakers are today. At its height Quakerism had fifty to sixty thousand followers in the UK alone but now numbers are down to some ten to twenty thousand. In the early days Quakers often had all their wealth taken away from them and were put into prison for their beliefs and later they were not allowed into higher

education institutions. In the 1800s they started to set up their own very successful educational facilities and businesses including Cadbury’s, Fry’s, Rowntrees, Reckitt and Colman’s, Huntley and Palmer’s, Clark’s Shoes and many more. It was Quakers who set up Barclay’s and Lloyd’s Banks. As employers they were philanthropic and generous towards their employees providing housing and leisure facilities and generous holidays for the time, but no pubs! Alan stressed the flexibility of Quakerism and how it had changed over time, stressing that the movement was about the individual in their community and “how we deal with each other”. At one time Quakers had to marry within their own community or they would be “thrown out”. They still do not sing hymns in the meeting and there is no parson or preacher but each individual makes their own connection with God; “We believe that we are as important to God as any minister”. A Quaker meeting sits in silence in a circle mostly in very simple buildings and Alan described the silence as being very powerful and sometimes quite frightening if there is total silence for a whole hour. Quakers have set up Peace Centres throughout the world and many Quakers were conscientious objectors in the First World War and were shot because of their stance. In the Second World War Joseph Rowntree, a prominent Quaker set up an ambulance service so that Quakers might opt to work on the frontline without fighting. There were some questions and points made at the end of the talk on the subject of pacifism and other Quaker beliefs and it was suggested that this discussion could be continued in another meeting at a later date. Chris Metcalfe-Gibson thanked Alan Clowes for his interesting and stimulating talk and wished him good luck with his imminent trip to South Africa on behalf of his charity. He hoped that Alan would also “continue in the great tradition of purveyor of good food” at the temperance Cross Keys Hotel at Cautley.

Ravenstonedale

REPORT FROM THE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR FOR RAVENSTONEDALE WARD

Another three months have passed and I am beginning to find my feet. I am now clear in my mind that the national park extensions will advantageous economically as well as giving a greater guarantee of protection for the landscape. I challenged the Leader at the December council meeting to justify Eden District Council's opposition. He could only come up with planning issues, which I do not believe are strong. The Upper Eden Local Neighbourhood Plan will give the parishes a greater say in planning, and the National Park is increasingly aware of the need for farms to be economically sound and for the housing needs of local people.

I went through the budget with the council finance officer in January, particularly trying to find savings which could reduce the proposed cut to Eden Arts and could provide more money for renovating the ageing street light stock. We have not given up, but I was unable to find any savings this year which would not be equally unfortunate. On my advice the Lib Dem group supported the budget. We did support the three independents in their bid to provide some interim financial help to Kirkby Stephen TIC, but the Conservative/ Independent Alliance coalition prevented this. I think EDC has done well to balance the budget despite a huge cut in the grant.

It is great to see that the footpath/ cycleway reuniting Newbiggin and Ravenstonedale is actually under construction, and Ravenstonedale PC and Peter Thornton, the county councillor, are to be congratulated on their hard work and persistence.

EDC have passed improved doorstep recycling collection throughout the whole district starting in July, and it was very frustrating suddenly to be faced with CCC threatening to shut

the household waste recycling centre in Kirkby Stephen. Led by Peter Thornton (CC), all the local district councillors worked hard to make the county council see that such a step would be retrograde and a mistake. We cannot yet be sure, but we think the CC are rethinking.

There are a number of ideas under consideration at the council to make better use of the varied talents of all the councillors, but it is doubtful that Councillor Nicholson will loosen his control enough to allow them to be effective.

Ian Torkington

Coffee Morning at St Oswald’s Church on Saturday, April 7th from 10am-12.noon in aid of Curry-Aid

It was after a holiday to visit her family in 2006 that Indian born Jessie Oddy, now living in Appleby, set up Curry-Aid. Appalled by the devastation caused by the Tsunami in her native southern India, one of the country’s poorest regions, she set out to help the many orphaned and penniless children left to beg in the streets. To raise funds Jessie holds curry nights at village halls throughout the year and serves up traditional Tamil food for up to 40 people. This, combined with coffee mornings and other events organised mainly through church has allowed Jessie to open her own orphanage in Madurai. This home provides nutrition, health care and education to over 200 children year on year and Jessie makes sure that every penny raised goes directly to the children. Inspired to help Jessie, Paul Holroyd decided, in 2009, to support the orphanage by motor cycling through 14 European countries in 16 days a total of 6000 miles. The trip was self-funded and raised, through sponsorship almost £4000. In September of last year he drove from Land’s End to John’O’Groats, just short of 1000 miles in a single day and raised

another £3000 for the orphans. Paul is now planning a trip at the end of April, this time to the African continent heading for the Sahara Desert. The photograph below taken when Paul was invited to visit the Madurai Orphanage in January 2011.



Forthcoming events Spring/Summer 2012

Sunday- March 11th

Annual Parochial Church Meeting (AGM)

After 10am service –St Oswald’s Church

Mothering Sunday-March 18th

St Oswald’s Church 10am

Monday, March 19th

Informal Bible-based discussion group
Manor House 7.30pm

Wednesday-March 21st

Ravenstonedale Parish History Group
‘The Upper Eden Valley in the Great War’
Speaker-Richard Wilcock

March 29th, 30th & 31st

Lunespring Players
‘Murdered to Death’

Easter Saturday - April 7th

Charity Coffee Morning
in aid of Curry Aid in India
St Oswald’s Church 10am-12noon

Rogation Sunday- May 13th

10am in St Oswald’s Church

Saturday, June 2nd

Cobwebs Promenade Concert
St Oswald’s Church

**Joint Wardens’, Secretaries’,
and Treasurers’ meeting
at All Saints Church Orton
Monday 5th March
at 7.30pm.**