

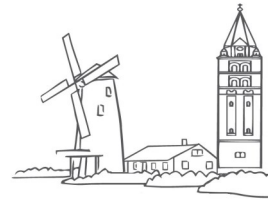
St James Church, Spaldwick - Services in April:

:: Sunday 2nd April, 9.30am - Palm Sunday Procession from Easton to Spaldwick, followed by a short service and Jimmy's breakfasts at 10.30am. We don't have a donkey and palm leaves, but do hope to be accompanied by a pony on our walk!

:: Sunday 16th April, 9.30am - Communion Sunday service.

April 2023

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Easter fun in Spaldwick

Lots of early Easter fun was had around Spaldwick Church at the end of March, as part of The Common Ground's latest event.



Thank you to everyone who joined in an afternoon with arts and crafts, egg hunting - and the return of the popular teddy parachuting! We had over 50 villagers attend and received some great ideas for the development project.

A big thanks to Ian (pictured below) for braving the church roof in the high winds, and apologies to anyone in the village who found a teddy in their garden!



SPALDWICK CELEBRATES!



7TH MAY

12-5PM

Spaldwick Social group and the Parish council have come together with the other village charity groups to coordinate the celebrations for the Coronation of King Charles III.

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News from Spaldwick Primary School

Spaldwick Primary School has been exceptionally busy this term with some wonderful learning experiences for the children, from World Book Day to Science week, Forest School and some new extracurricular clubs, including an interactive on-line Quiz Club.

We have welcomed some new teaching and support staff, which is creating a positive dynamic within the school. The new staff are settling in to form a supportive team to both children and parents alike.

We all celebrated World Book Day in true style with a fabulous array of costumes across the whole school and the teachers did not disappoint either! The day concluded with a 'Bedtime Read', which saw brilliant uptake, with well over half of the school returning to have story time with teachers and support staff. The evening finished off with a hot chocolate and biscuits before heading home for a good night's sleep.

Forest School continues to flourish at Spaldwick. The children are embracing the organised activities outside and this brings a new vibrancy to their learning. Spring is finally upon us (hooray!) and the children are enjoying a host of tasks from creating wormeries, cooking full meals outside and thanks to a donation from the Woodland Trust, have planted a whopping 90 trees (pictured below). This wonderful element to the curriculum encourages teamwork whilst seeing the benefits of creative work in the fresh air; it fosters an essential connection with nature.

We wish all of our Spaldwick children, families and staff a peaceful Easter holiday.



Ting Bus Services

Councillor Ian Gardener will be meeting with Vectare, the new provider of the Ting bus service on April 24th.

If you have any questions that you would like to ask regarding the bus service please email Ian: ian.gardener@huntingdonshiredc.org.uk

Get on your bike for Charity

There will be lots of cyclists passing through Spaldwick on Saturday 7th June, as part of Bromswold Bike Fest.

The unique cycling festival allows cyclists of all ages and abilities to explore and enjoy the open countryside and gently rolling hills of west Cambridgeshire while raising money for three charities, including MacMillan Cancer Support, EACH (East Anglia's Children's Hospices) and Magpas Air Ambulance.

There are seven routes taking participants from village-to-village, ranging from 6 to 100 miles; plus a 2 mile traffic-free closed road route for children. All routes start and finish in Leighton Bromswold (PE28 5AW).

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Spaldwick Allotments

It's that time again when as allotmenters we have started to sow our seeds, chosen our methods for growing this years produce (to dig or not to dig?), to grow something challenging or unusual as well as old favourites like strawberries and tomatoes.

We've started the season with ambition and hope, tinkering on our plots with structural changes and ideas. But, most of all it's that time to reunite as a community - catching up on news and talk about what's happening down on the plots!

However, it's also time to say goodbye to those who have chosen new chapters in their lives and have thoroughly enjoyed their experiences and produce from their allotment. So with this, we look forward to welcoming those who now have the opportunity to 'give it go' and join us.

If you are interested in having a full or half size allotment and would like to talk to someone about it, please get in touch with a Committee member from SCAA by contacting us:

spaldwickallotments@gmail.com

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Spaldwick Waste Bin Collections for April/May 2023:

Grey		11th April	25th April	9th May
Blue	4th April	18th April	2nd May	16th May
Green	6th April	20th April	4th May	18th May

The Mobile Library visits Spaldwick and Stow Longa on the 2nd Wednesday of the month (Round H10)

Spaldwick : High Street 10.45am to 11.05am
Stow Longa : The Green 11.15am to 11.45am

Spaldwick Village Hall AGM

As many villagers are aware, the Spaldwick Village Hall Charity was formed in 1980 when the Village Hall was originally purchased.

When the Village Hall and the land it stood on was sold, the funds from the sale were added to the funds already held in the charity's bank accounts. Initially the plan was to buy some new land and build a new Village Hall but, as time has gone on, this is no longer viable or required.

To adhere to the requirements of the Charities commission, the Trustees of the Charity must hold an AGM each year to present the accounts to all who are present. This year we have also been busy updating the Trust Deed and will present this at the meeting also.

The Spaldwick Village Hall AGM will be held on 27th April 2023 at 8pm in the Community Room at Spaldwick Community School.

Please find the agenda below:

1. Welcome and purpose of the meeting
2. Apologies
3. Trustees Declaration of Interest
4. Minutes from previous AGM (April 26th 2022)
5. Financial report (including investments)
6. Final copy of new Trust deed
7. Suggestions and Ideas from the floor
8. Resignation and election of Trustees
9. AOB and close



	Morning activity	Afternoon activity
Mon 3rd April	Planting Seeds	Butterfly Printing
Tue 4th April	Footprint Chick Cards	Easter Egg Cookies
Wed 5th April	Invisible Ink	Puffy Slime
Thurs 6th April	Chocolate Nests	Easter Baskets
Good Friday	Closed	Closed
Easter Monday	Closed	Closed
Tue 11th April	Paper Daffodils and Tulips	Nature Walk
Wed 12th April	Ink Rainbows	Homemade Carrot Cakes
Thurs 13th April	Forest School Leaf Art	Forest School Bug Hunt
Fri 14th April	Lava Lamps	Homemade Hot Cross Buns

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This month, the club will be competing in our first friendly of the year, when we visit local rivals Kym Valley, who are based in Great Staughton. This match has, in the past, been very hard fought, despite not playing each other since 2019, the fierce rivalry is expected to continue.

In the next few months, the club have matches arranged against Alconbury, Gransden and Riseley.

The club's presentation night will be at the end of the month, where we will be honouring last year's winners of the clubs' singles and doubles competitions. Although only ten members participated, the standard of bowling from the early rounds and through to the finals, was very high with fortunes constantly changing.

News about the club's matches and future activities will appear here in the coming months.

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