

Village Events:

- :: **St James Church** - Services on Sunday 2nd July & Sunday 6th August.
- :: **BBQ at Upthorpe Lodge** - Friday 18th August, 7-9pm, £12.50 per person.
- :: **Spaldwick Carpet Bowls** - Thursdays, 7.30pm - Mandeville Hall, Kimbolton.

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New village defibrillator

The Parish Council is considering acquiring and installing another defibrillator for the village.

The existing one can be found outside the Community Room on Ferriman Road.

Councillors are looking for ideas on where to locate the device - the only conditions being that the location must be secure and have power.

Any ideas for the location can be emailed to the Spaldwick Parish Clerk: clerk@spaldwickparishcouncil.org.uk

"Delivering Joy to Spaldwick" - by Amba Harbour

"Let me say thank you for the gift,
And more thanks for the thought.
The greatest thing I can thank you for,
Is all the joy you've brought."

To the mystery person who has been delivering "joy" around the village, thank you.

In the words of the Floral Project, you have given back in a way that brings beauty, environmental benefit and given meaning into your life and those of others.

You haven't just thought it, you have actioned it in a very humble and beautiful way.

St James Church, Spaldwick

Services continue throughout July and August, along with some enjoyable events:

Sunday 2nd July - Apologies, there will be no Jimmy's Breakfasts.

Sunday 6th August

9.30am Covington
9.30am Spaldwick (followed by Jimmy's Breakfasts)
10.45am Kimbolton

Sunday 13th August

9.30am Easton
10.45am Kimbolton
3pm Barham

Sunday 20th August

9.30am Stow Longa
10.45am Kimbolton
6pm Covington

Sunday 27th August

9.30am Tilbrook
9.30am Easton
10.45am Kimbolton

Upcoming events - We have planned a few events over the summer, including:

- Friday 18th August - BBQ at Upthorpe Lodge, 7-9pm, £12.50 per person. For tickets, text Denise on 07789 626535 - or see Amba or Julia.
- Sunday 10th September - Cream Teas, 3-5pm, Threeways, High Street, Spaldwick.

July/August 2023

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Youth Club

The youth club is open to all children in year 6 and above. It is held every fortnight during term time on a Friday 7pm-9pm, in the Community Room at Spaldwick School.

There are numerous activities on offer, including computer games, table football, pool and outdoor activities. There is also a well-stocked tuck shop. To help cover the cost of hiring the Community Room, Hall and any resources we request those attending pay an entrance charge of £2.

We also arrange special activities for example we have had trips to Jump 360, Xscape Snozone and Big Rock climbing walls.



You may know that Escape has been on an extended hiatus, initially due to the Covid-19 pandemic. More recently several of the committee members have been unable to restart Escape due to other commitments and are therefore intending to stand down at the next AGM.

If there are not enough committee members willing to continue then we will have to dissolve the escape youth club group.

So we are looking for new committee members to take on the running of the Youth club, which is little more than providing 2 hours of your time once a fortnight.

If you are interested in joining the committee or helping out in anyway then please either leave your contact details, or get in touch at Committee@escapeyouthclub.co.uk



Or get in touch on Facebook: @spaldwickescapeyouthclub

With thanks to the Woolley Hill Wind Farm Community Fund and Cambridgeshire Community Fund for their help in keeping the youth club going.



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Spaldwick Primary School news

We are fast approaching the end of the summer term and what a fantastic school year it has been! We are so glad the sun finally came out; our summer events have been even brighter and all the better for it.

Spaldwick School children have been working exceptionally hard, with year one completing their phonics screening. Year 6 enjoyed a well-earned residential trip to the Frontier centre where, for a week, they were immersed in a variety of fabulous activities.

We are looking forward to welcoming our new September intake into our reception class 'Explorers' and they have visited us for 'stay and play' sessions to get a flavour of their new school; we look forward to supporting them on their learning adventure through their primary years!

Sports day was a huge success and whilst the weather was extremely warm, we saw wonderful enthusiastic participation from children, parents and staff! Maple house won the day, so well done to everyone.

Year 5 and 6 bike-ability starts soon, and our Year 6 children will enjoy transition days to their new secondary schools. We will miss our year 6's having nurtured them through their years at Spaldwick, but wish them all the best of luck in the next step of their educational journey.

School closes on Wednesday 19 th July. We wish all of our Spaldwick School families a restful and peaceful summer break and look forward to welcoming children back refreshed and recharged on Tuesday 5th September.



Post Title: Site Officer

Hours: 15 hours per week

Contract: Permanent, 52 weeks

Salary: Scale 2, point 4-5, namely £8,590 - £8,746 per annum (£21,189 - £21,575 FTE)

Starting date: ASAP

We are looking to appoint an enthusiastic Site Supervisor with high expectations and a positive 'can do' attitude who can manage our premises to ensure it is a safe place for all children, staff, parents and visitors.

This is a 52-week contract, 15 hours per week which could either be set hours or split shift; start date is ASAP.

Contact Aces Academy: www.acesacademies.co.uk/vacancies

Post Title: Teaching Assistants

Hours: Monday - Friday 27.5 hours per week

Contract: Fixed term initially for one year, 38 weeks

Salary: Level 2 Scale 3 Point 5-6 dependant on experience, namely £15,306 - £15,585 (FTE £21,575 - £21,968)

Starting date: September 2023

Spaldwick Primary School is looking to appoint two 1-1 Teaching Assistants.

We encourage a pre application visit to the school or telephone conversation with the Headteacher. For further information call on 01480 890371 or email: office@sps.acesmat.uk

An application pack is available from the Trust's website:
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Summer Holiday Club

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Breakfast and afternoon snack included.

Don't forget to reserve your place!

Week 1,2 and 3	Morning activity	Afternoon activity
Thu 20th July	Making Pizzas	Decorating Mugs
Fri 21st July	Trip to the Park	Bird Feeders
Mon 24th July	Making Shortbread	Slime!
Tue 25th July	Nature Walk	Stick Wands
Wed 26th July	Making Fruit Kebabs	CD Suncatchers
Thu 27th July	Trip to the Park	Card Tube Insects
Fri 28th July	Making Cheese Straws	Summer Bookmarks
Mon 31st July	Team Races on the Field	Windmills
Tue 1st Aug	Baking Cookies	Slime!
Wed 2nd Aug	Trip to the Park	Paper Plate Beach
Thu 3rd Aug	Making Fruit Pizzas	Kitchen Roll Sand Castles
Fri 4th Aug	Den Building	PomPom Octopus

9am-5pm £35 or £5.00 per hour with a min 3 hours bookable.
8-9am & 5-6pm available upon request at £5.00 each.
Packed lunch and Hot Tea (served at 4.30pm) £1.75 each.
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Activities and events subject to change. Many other activities will also be available throughout the day.

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Spaldwick Waste Bin Collections for July/August 2023:

Grey	4th July	18th July	1st August	15th August
Blue	11th July	25th July	8th August	22nd August
Green	13th July	27th July	10th August	24th August

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 Carpet Bowls Club - by Andrew Vickers

The club has played two away matches in the last month. On both occasions, we had 8 players and travelled into Bedfordshire; unfortunately that is where the similarities ended. All away matches are challenging and nothing changed in these games.

The first match at Renhold, started well with the club taking a slight early lead. At the interval, this was increased to 10 shots, helped by one of our teams winning a game 14-0. With ten ends left to play we expected our hosts to stage a comeback. The club's earlier form continued and both teams secured narrow victories, with the club winning the match 33-21.

A week later we played Riseley. This is a match all members look forward to, not just for the bowls, but also for the exceptional refreshments that are always served. This match was the complete opposite to the game at Renhold, and we had no early lead to defend. There was a total of eight games played in the evening, of which we won just one, resulting in a comprehensive victory for our opponents. Despite the heavy defeat a fun and entertaining evening was had by all.

The club also had two home matches scheduled. Unfortunately, both have had to be rearranged, due to our shortage of players. In July, we have another away fixture, when it is hoped that the club will take two teams to Gransden.

For more details about joining the club, contact Andrew on 01480 891201.

Spaldwick Neighbourhood Watch - by David Henrick

Almost 21 million reports have been made to the Suspicious Email Reporting Service (SERS), resulting in the removal of over 235,000 malicious websites.

SERS was launched by the National Cyber Security Centre (NCSC) and the City of London Police in April 2020 to enable the public to forward suspicious emails to an automated system that scans them for malicious links. Since its launch, almost 21 million reports have been made to the service.



Mobile phone providers also offer a service that allows customers to report suspicious text messages, by forwarding them to the number 7726. The service is free of charge and enables providers to take down malicious websites and block malicious texts from being sent across their network. As of May 2023, 54,000 text message scams have been removed as a result of suspicious texts forwarded to the 7726 service.

How to protect yourself from scam emails and texts: If you receive an email or text that seems suspicious - report it.

- Forward suspicious emails to report@phishing.gov.uk - send emails to this address that feel suspicious, even if you're not certain they're a scam - authorities can check.
- Forward suspicious text messages to 7726 (it's free of charge). Your provider can find out where the text came from and block or ban the sender.
- If you've lost money or provided personal information as a result of a phishing scam, notify your bank immediately and report it to Action Fraud at actionfraud.police.uk

FOSS fundraiser smashes £1,000 mark

The latest event from Friends of Spaldwick School raised a massive £1,022.22!

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Ellington WI

In July, Ellington Village WI's speaker will be Sally Palmer with stories and anecdotes from her life as an air hostess. The meeting starts on Tuesday 4th July at 7.30pm in the village hall. Visitors are most welcome with a small charge of £5, including raffle and refreshments.

On 1st August, we have an afternoon outing to Kathy Brown's garden (near Bedford) for a tour of the garden and afternoon tea.

Ellington WI welcomes new members from Spaldwick. If you would like further information please contact the president, Jan Sherratt: jgollop@btinternet.com - or secretary, Sue Rice: normanrice@btinternet.com

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