

Village Events:

- :: **Ting Bus Roadshow** - Friday 2nd June, 11.15am - Vectare, the Ting bus operator, will be holding a roadshow opposite The George pub.
- :: **St James Church, Spaldwick** - Service on Sunday 4th June.
- :: **Summer Fayre, Spaldwick Primary School** - Saturday 17th June, 1-4pm.
- :: **Spaldwick Carpet Bowls** - Thursdays, 7.30pm - Mandeville Hall, Kimbolton.

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SPALDWICK
NEWS

Coronation Celebrations in Spaldwick



The sun shone down on Spaldwick's Coronation Celebrations in May, adding to a wonderful afternoon of good food, music from local band Fake News and chat with family, friends and neighbours - as well as bouncy castles, crafts and dressing up for the children.

The Bake Off tent had some very impressive entries, expertly judged by Ren from The George, who spoke with entrants about their ideas and process in creating their cakes.

A big thank you to the Social Group, Parish Council, Common Ground and Playtimes for organising this well-attended village event!

Volunteers roll their sleeves up for The Big Help Out

On Monday 8th May, teams of volunteers rolled up their sleeves at Playtimes and Spaldwick Church as part of The King's Big Help Out. Many hours were spent by Spaldwick Social Events Committee, Common Ground and Melanie Kapinos, cleaning, cutting and clearing at the pre-school.



The Church would like to say a huge "thank you" to the very kind people who gave up their morning to tidy the church yard and Church Lane. It was no mean feat, and the PCC is incredibly grateful to all.

It was also a great opportunity to publicly thank the fabulous church yard team who cut the grass and clear the paths all year round!



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Spaldwick Primary School

Spaldwick Primary School
Saturday 17th June

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We are looking for Stallholders!
If you may be interested please email foss@sps.acesmat.uk

Spaldwick Primary School news

The first half of the summer term has seen Spaldwick School spring into action with a firm focus on hard work and, of course, Coronation celebrations!

Year 6 and Year 2 have undertaken their SATs exams over the past few weeks and have demonstrated fabulous determination and commitment preparing for their tests, which they have taken in their stride. We are very proud of them all!

Our 'Explorers' in Reception had a visit from 'Little City' - a Cambridge-based company that provides role play experiences for children. They were able to enjoy a variety of activities linking to their topic 'Help is at Hand'.

Along with the rest of the country, we have enjoyed the run up to the Coronation of King Charles III. The children had a brilliant day celebrating with the West End dance company who choreographed Coronation themed dances during the day. The children dressed up in their regal outfits and red, white and blue and enjoyed being part of the momentous historical event.

Spaldwick School also took part in a Children in Need project to create a royally big portrait to celebrate the Coronation. They drew a picture of King Charles and uploaded the pictures, which were then digitally collated to make one large picture of the King, which was presented in London.

We wish all of our children a restful May half term. School reopens on Tuesday 6th June.



Spaldwick Village Hall Committee update

The Spaldwick Village Hall committee would like to thank everybody who attended the Village Hall AGM on April 27th. We are pleased to have recruited new members onto the committee and look forward to enjoying their enthusiasm and new ideas for the future.

All attendees read the Updated Trust Deed and agreed with, in principle, it's format - with a caveat that there should be a protocol which explained the definitions and processes of operation, which the committee will present at the next AGM.

It was reported that the current investment fell due to the Ukraine war and the banking crash, however, is on the way to recovery.

The committee would like to thank Yvette Webb for all her hard work in making the Trust Deed ready for Charity Commission approval.



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St James Church, Spaldwick

- Sunday 4th June with Phillip, 9.30am.
- Sunday 2nd July - Apologies, there will be no Jimmy's Breakfasts on this day.

Upcoming events:

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

- Friday 28th July - Evening drinks
- Friday 18th August - BBQ at Upthorpe Lodge
- Sunday 10th September - Cream Teas

Spaldwick Neighbourhood Watch - by David Henrick

THINK BEFORE YOU CALL - Did you know that the Cambridgeshire Police Demand Hub takes an average of 500 calls to 999 and 1,000 calls to 101 per day? With such demand being placed on Call Handlers, they are asking us to help keep phone lines free for genuine police matters and serious emergencies.



Their latest YouTube video allows you to take a step inside the bustling Demand Hub, where all 999 and 101 calls are taken, to better understand why we need you to Think Before You Call.

If you are ever unsure about whether to call the force or not, you can always speak to a live web chat operator to ask for advice (just visit www.cambs.police.uk and click the green chat icon to start a chat).

You can also find a wealth of information on the Advice and Information pages on their website.

“Ask the Police” is also an official resource that provides the answers to a wide variety of policing questions frequently asked by the public.

Playtimes
Spaldwick

Summer Half Term Club

ALL 2-11 YEAR OLDS ARE WELCOME
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	Morning activity	Afternoon activity
Tue 30th	Cooking Fun Pizza Making	Team Tasks Balloon Racing
Wed 31st	Arty Crafty Making Windmills	Sports Races on the field
Thur 1st	Cooking Fun Tasty Shortbread	Arty Crafty Slime!
Fri 2nd	Arty Crafty Candle Holders	Nature Lovers Village Walk
Mon 5th	Cooking Fun Making Fudge	Park Fun!

9am-5pm £35 or £5 per hour with min 3 hours bookable.
8-9am & 5-6pm available upon request at £5 each – subject to availability.
Packed Lunch £1.75 Hot Dinner £1.75

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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 June/July 2023:

Grey		6th June	20th June	4th July
Blue	30th May	13th June	27th June	11th July
Green	1st June	15th June	29th June	13th July

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

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Contact Tel:
Andrew - 01480 891201

I have been playing bowls for almost 35 years, and for quite a few of those years, have been the club chairman. Due to an increase in rental charges, the club relocated to the Mandeville Hall in Kimbolton. The club currently has 9 members and need some new players to help the club grow and continue.

Those who think bowls is game for the elderly would be wrong. It can be played by all ages, and no previous experience is needed. We offer free, no obligation, taster nights: bring along a family member or friend, learn the game together and see who performs the best. More details are available, by contacting Andrew on 01480 891201.

Last month, we played our first home match of the year, when we welcomed Riseley. This match was to be played over a total of 24 ends with both clubs fielding two teams of four. Unfortunately, with two members unavailable, Spaldwick were one player short. Despite this, we made home advantage pay, winning the match 36-15. During this match one of our teams achieved the remarkable feat of not conceding a point during the 12 ends and scoring 23 shots in the process.

Following on from Riseley - and played in the same format - our next home match was against Kym Valley. Again, the club only had 7 players, but earned a comfortable 31-15 win. This made amends for the heavy defeat suffered earlier in the year. Both our opponents enjoyed the refreshments provided and contributed to a fun evening. This month sees the club playing away to Riseley before home fixtures against Gransden and Renhold.

Andrew Vickers

Spaldwick Parish Council

Here are June's updates from Spaldwick Parish Council:

THE TING BUS - Vectare, the Ting bus operator, will be holding a roadshow on Friday 2nd June at 11.15. The bus will be on the High Street, opposite The George, for 30 to 45 minutes. Visitors will be able to have a tour of the bus and there will be advice and assistance on how the service operates and how to book the bus.

STOW LONGA HILL - As some of you will be aware, the hill into Stow Longa is being affected by water damage. The verges and road surface are in an extremely poor state. The Parish Council has raised this issue with Ian Gardener, our District and County Councillor. Ian has met with the Flood Authority and the Highways Agency and the issue is being investigated. So far, they have determined that there is a blockage in a water course which has caused the water to divert onto the road. Once the blockage has been cleared, the verges and road surface will be repaired.

SPALDWICK CORONATION DAY MEDAL/JUBILEE MUGS -

There are a few Coronation medals still available. The medals are available *free* for all Spaldwick children from birth to Year 6 primary school age. They are now available to purchase - £3 each or two for £5. Please email Sharan to arrange collection:

sharan.jackson-rimmer@spaldwickparishcouncil.org.uk



We also have a few Jubilee mugs available - £5 each. To arrange collection contact Sharan on the email address above.



Ellington WI

In June, Ellington WI will be in full summer mode when our monthly meeting will be a garden party based on a WWII theme, kindly hosted by one of our members.

Following this, we will be in charge of teas at the Ellington summer gala on 24th June and also playing our part in the church flower festival on the same weekend.

Our July meeting is on Tuesday 4th July at 7.30pm in the village hall, when our speaker will be a retired air hostess, regaling us with many stories and incidents. On Tuesday 1st August, there will be an afternoon trip to Kathy Brown's garden. We also have a walking group with monthly walks and later in the year we will be starting a craft group.

If you would like further information please contact the president, Jan Sherratt: jgollop@btinternet.com - or the secretary, Sue Rice: normanrice@btinternet.com

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