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YOUR FREE VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

HOLTON & BLYFORD VILLAGE HALL EVENTS

Great news at last Holton has a DEFIBRILLATOR – it's on the wall outside the Village Hall – under the canopy – if it's needed you dial the numbers and you will be talked through how to use it. Organised by the Parish Council and funded by them, Halesworth Lions and Cllr Tony Goldson – we hope its never used but it just could save your life.

More good news - our kitchen has had a make-over, we have not just one but two splendid new cookers and a dishwasher. New roller blinds for the hatch and, shortly, a fresh coat of paint! All thanks to a grant to cover the cost of the works and equipment. Bill Ellis has been very busy supervising the electrical work, done by Pearce and Kemp and Colly Muttitt has masterminded the whole exercise – great start to a year.

It's our busy time of the year with two major events on the calendar. **The Classic Car Day and Fete** is on Father's Day – Sunday June 16th and opens at 10.a.m. Entry is free, just a donation to keep the Hall open and available.

We will have loads of classic and vintage vehicles to gaze at, lots of stalls to hold your interest, music all day whilst you visit our Art installation, and food - both from the kitchen and our new BBQ.

The bar will be open all day, a tombola will provide opportunities to be a winner as will our strolling raffle sellers! (something different)

Following on from that our bi-annual **Open Gardens** are in the diary for 29th and 30th of June. Open from 11.a.m – 4pm on both days. The Hall will be your first stop for information and hopefully your last for tea and cakes! Donations for the plant stall would be most welcome.

We are so grateful to those great people who have agreed to open their gardens for us this year and help generate a real community spirit. It's not too late to enter your garden and show just how green your fingers are.

As usual the “normal” things are running – Bingo, the Pop Up Pub and The HBB!

Bingo happens on 9th and 23rd of May and the 6th and 20th of June at 7.30pm. Now up to 35 + regular players!

The **Pop Up Pub** is open on 31st May and after the Open Gardens on 29th June.

The **Holton Big Breakfast** is on 5th May and then the 2nd June both from 9.a.m.. We then “rest” the breakfast until September!

You can see our “out-post” at work on May 4th at the Car Boot Sale on the Church Paddock when we have our Book Sale table for the Hall funds. Any paper backs for this are welcome as long as you come and buy some of ours!

New for the Autumn – advance notice- an **Autumn Supper** in the Hall on Saturday 7th September 7.00 p.m – for 7.30.p.m. Super two course meal and a special entertainer in the shape of Eric Sedge from Bramfield. Eric is known all over the country for his folk music and he has agreed to come and delight us when we are full of supper. Tickets will be available shortly for this event and numbers will be limited. Phone Wendy on 01986 872590 for more info.



HOLTON & BLYFORD VILLAGE HALL

HOLTON OPEN GARDENS

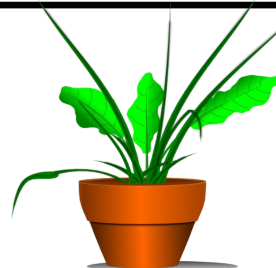
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HOLTON SCHOOL NEWS



The topic in Pixies this term has been 'Understanding of the World' specifically the land of mini beasts and with financial support from Friends of Holton the whole class plus volunteer helpers spent a

day at Minsmere where they went on mini beast hunts. Next door in Phoenix class, pupils have been concentrating on animals (including humans). The topic for Dragons has been 'Roadtrip USA' which has included geography of North and South America. While the topic for Years 5 and 6 (Chimera Class) has been 'Conflicts and Consequences' including the Battle of Britain and reading Goodnight Mr Tom.

Comic Relief Day in March meant all pupils and staff could spend the afternoon in their pyjamas reading books in comfort. Also, the School Council, with help from Mrs Camp, made and sold cakes and the total raised was £159.26. Well done everyone.

In March pupils from Chimera and Dragons took part in the inter-school cross-country race at Bramfield and all contestants did the school proud with Joshua from Chimera winning the Year 5/6 race. Also in March, the Chimera team took part in the Handball final at Earsham where they came second to Edgar Sewter. Many thanks to all staff and parents who helped at these events with providing transport and cheering our pupils on. In the summer term there will be an inter-school rounders tournament.

Extra-curricular clubs held after school have included Board Games, Multi-sports, Lego Club, Film Editing, Rock Band Club and Book Art. All these clubs are extremely popular and our pupils are extremely lucky to have staff who willingly give up their time to run such a variety of clubs.

Film Editing pupils displayed their skills at an assembly when they premiered films they had made about KS2 maths learning. This was a proper "red carpet" event and they demonstrated their film editing skills as well as their maths ability. There were even post show interviews and popcorn!

Pupils from Dragons had the privilege of attending the Big Sing at Snape Maltings when they had the chance to perform at this internationally acclaimed venue which has hosted performers such as John Wilson Orchestra, the BBC Symphony Orchestra and Bryn Terfel. The afternoon was spent rehearsing before performing to a sell out show (832 seats!) in the evening. Each school was allocated a performance slot and a dressing room so it truly was something they will remember for the rest of their lives. This term, Dragons have been having weekly swimming sessions this term at Bungay Swimming Pool. Unfortunately, the pool has been closed on several occasions so they have not had their full allocation but nevertheless it has been popular.

In May the school will be supporting the Halesworth Dementia Carer's group and helping raise funds for them to help with the important work they do in providing respite care for those affected which enables carers to have a well-deserved break.

Friends will be holding a cake stall outside the Angel Hotel on Wednesday 15th May.

The big event this year (as last year) is a Midsummer Madness event which will be held on the school field from 3.30pm on Friday 28th June. Look out for posters and more details nearer the time.

Finally, Holton has joined the "The Big Battery Hunt" which is a national battery recycling programme. If you have any domestic batteries you wish to dispose of please bring them into the school during normal school hours. As well as this being a green initiative which fits in with the school ethos, the school also has the chance to win prizes including cash prizes to purchase school equipment so your support is appreciated.

Alison Hyden

HOLTON ST PETER SCHOOL MIDSUMMER MADNESS



**Friday 28th June
From 3.30pm**

Bouncy Castles and Slide, Raffle, BBQ, Refreshments, Games and much, much more

All welcome!
Look out for posters with more details nearer the time

Big Battery Hunt

Recycle your used batteries at Holton School
Please bring along any used domestic batteries during school hours – thank you



HOLTON PLAYGROUND ENHANCEMENT (H.O.P.E.)

An exciting update this month! The Parish Council has approved the plans for the new playground. The equipment chosen has been based on local community feedback and cost. The equipment chosen is in a natural wood style to fit in with the landscape. An open-sided sun shade has been included to provide some shelter from the sun in the summer. Unfortunately, a zip wire was not possible for several reasons, mainly due to the slope of the playground. The plans and pictures of the equipment are available to view on our Facebook page (search for New Holton Playground). We are now busily applying for grants and planning more fundraisers to reach the grand total needed to go ahead with installation.

Thanks to everyone who attended our Mother's Day Pamper Afternoon in the Village Hall. A great afternoon was had by all with a wide variety of stalls and some delicious cream teas, meaning a grand total of £470 was raised for the playground refurbishment. In May and June we are having stalls at the Halesworth Carnival on June 9th and at The Blayze'ing Star Charity Family Fun Day on 19th May, look out for us there!



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CHRISTIAN AID WEEK 12th - 18th May.

During this week a volunteer may post an envelope through your door asking you to donate to Christian Aid. They will return to collect donations within the week.

About Christian Aid : The charity has more than 70 years experience of working in partnership to support communities to thrive.

They tackle the root causes of poverty so that women, men and children the world over are strengthened against future knocks. And if disasters happen, they get people the help they need straight away.

Every year, during this week in May, Christian Aid focus on a particular area in need.

This year it is Sierra Leone. Since the outbreak of ebola the country has been heavily in debt and cannot afford basic healthcare and medicines.

Christian Aid is raising money to help keep mothers and babies safe in pregnancy and childbirth.

Your envelope will feature the story and how you can help.

If you can go online, you can also sign a petition asking the Chancellor to cancel the debt.

St Peter's Holton is hosting the Christian Aid Service this year.

This will be Evensong with the Team Choir on Sunday 12th May at 6.30pm with Tea at 5.30pm.

Please note : We may not have enough volunteers to do house collections in every street but there will be a collection at the Service as well.

On **Saturday 11th May** there is an organised **walk in the Huntingfield area**, also for C. Aid. You don't need to be sponsored, just a donation would be great.

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The 88 Konnectbus connecting us with Halesworth and beyond (Bungay, Norwich to the North, Southwold to the East) was withdrawn at the end of March. It ran on an hourly basis and although not 100% reliable it provided us in particular with both a good link to Halesworth town centre and the rail station.

Soon after we went to press for our last issue it was announced that there would be a new service, the 99A, run by First Norfolk and Suffolk, to replace the 88. Whilst this is obviously good news when it looked as if there may be no service at all there are some downsides. First, the service will only run at 2 hourly intervals. Aside from the obvious reduction in service this makes the link with train service more problematic. There are many who have used the link with the train in this way and will have to make careful calculations to work out if the bus meets their train and vice versa. This is compounded by the fact that the buses no longer use Bramblewood Way to stop outside the station - instead train passengers have to use the bus stops on the Norwich Road and use the footpath to the station. Secondly, there is no longer a through service to Norwich. Now a change at Bungay is necessary.

However, The East Suffolk Travellers' Association, who campaigned strongly on the matter, do see 2 plus points:

1 the first bus of the day gets into Southwold earlier (but only during the school holidays) and

2 there are now "seamless connections" between Lowestoft, Kessingland, Southwold and villages in the Blyth Valley.

They, quite correctly, say, "use it or lose it" and I have to say the signs are already not good – several buses I've seen with only a handful of passengers on board if that.

Summary of times:

Weekdays towards Halesworth and Bungay

Blyford Queen's Head	7.54*	8.03#	9.04*	10.14	12.14	14.14	17.14
Holton Lord Nelson	7.58*	8.07#	9.08*	10.18	12.18	14.18	17.18

Saturdays towards Halesworth and Bungay

Blyford Queen's Head	7.54	10.14	12.14	14.14	17.14		
Holton Lord Nelson	7.58	10.18	12.18	14.18	17.18		

Weekdays towards Southwold

Holton Lord Nelson	8.07*	9.42	11.42	13.42	16.22
Blyford Queen's Head	8.11*	9.46	11.46	13.46	16.26

Saturdays towards Southwold

Holton Lord Nelson	9.42	11.42	13.42	16.22
Blyford Queen's Head	9.46	11.46	13.46	16.26

Notes:

* = school holidays

= school days

Apparently times at Queen's Head Blyford are "estimated"

Connections on to Norwich "unfortunately...cannot be guaranteed"

No service on Sundays

Where's the Bus contd..

We must not forget we do have another service in the area provided by Halesworth Area Community Transport, the Halesworth Hoppa. This serves many locations in Halesworth and Holton. There are 3 services; early, late morning and afternoon on Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Fridays excluding Public Holidays. You can hail the bus anywhere it's safe to stop/park and short deviations off the route are possible. Drivers can offer help with boarding and loading of belongings if required. Each vehicle has a wheelchair lift. For times see:

<http://www.hactbus.co.uk/New%20Timetable%20Dec%202015144.pdf>

This Hoppa service is for anyone and has a £1.50 single adult fare, free for bus pass holders. Children 5-16 travel for just 50p.

Note of caution: this timetable will change soon so keep watch on the website for details.

Some other local transport issues

1 Many will have noticed that a new ticket machine has been installed on the Southbound platform at Halesworth Station. Cynics amongst us may be thinking that this may be a precursor to the closing of the under threat barrow crossing but I am assured by two sources that it is not. Apparently ESTA were informed a few months ago by Greater Anglia that they would be installing extra ticket vending machines at their busier unstaffed stations. At that time they specifically mentioned Woodbridge as an example. "Perhaps the additional Halesworth machine can be seen in this context." Also, Halesworth Town Council told me Network Rail "are continuing to monitor it (the barrow crossing). However, they have added lights to the crossing recently so it does not look like they intend to close it at the moment."

2 From early April until mid June work replacing Blyford sluice on Blyford Lane was scheduled with a consequent 6 week road closure causing some big diversions and much local angst no doubt. Those who have been in the area will have noticed that absolutely nothing is going on and no roads are closed! On enquiring, the Environment Agency say "Unfortunately due to funding issues for the project at Blyford Sluice, we will no longer be undertaking these works, therefore there will be no longer any need for a road closure....(and)... cannot guarantee that these works will go ahead in the future".

3 Finally, another crash on Southwold Road in Blyford recently caused extensive damage to property but fortunately no injuries. As a consequence, further discussions are bound to take place on the Parish Council and with the District Council to see what can be done both to reduce speeds through the village and monitor the effectiveness of any measures taken.

John Beckett

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HOLTON ART GROUP

We have an abundance of talented artists in our village and many of you will have viewed the art installations Holton Art Group produced in recent years in pride of place in the Village Hall.

The group regularly welcome artists to deliver workshops that encourage us to develop new skills in familiar mediums and introduce us to different materials and approaches. In recent months we have had the good fortune to welcome two accomplished artists to lead workshops for us. Laina West, who led a very popular workshop on coastal, marshy landscapes in pastels in October, kindly returned in March to deliver another pastel workshop, this time in seascapes. At both workshops, group members achieved results to be proud of.

In November, Andrew Pitt led an equally successful workshop in landscapes in watercolour.

Sessions over the next few months will concentrate on acrylics and will include a workshop by professional artist Carole Massey.

The group welcomed several new members at the beginning of the year and once again have a full club. If you are interested in joining please email Pat at holtonartgroup@gmail.com.

The group meets at the Village Hall on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday most months.

Maggie Whymark

HOLTON PARISH COUNCIL

NOTE: These draft minutes are abbreviated. Full minutes can be read on the website Holton.onesuffolk.net/ Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 13th March 2019 at 7.30pm Present; Cllr. M Hart (Chair), Cllr. R Stephenson, Cllr. G Cackett, Cllr. E Rolph, Cllr. N Kerridge, Cllr. Fosdike, County Cllr. T Goldson, Elaine Day Clerk to the Council and 3 parishioners.

Chair welcomed all to meeting.

Apologies for absence received and accepted from Cllr. Day and District Cllr. Cackett.

PUBLIC FORUM: Meeting to be closed for member of the playground fund raising committee to speak regarding options for the children's play area.

DECLARATION OF INTEREST: None.

REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATION TO VOTE: None.

MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS: Cllr. Cackett proposed acceptance of the minutes to the meeting held on 02/01/2019, Cllr. Stephenson seconded. All voted in agreement. Cllr. Rolph proposed acceptance of the minutes to the meeting held on 06/02/2019, Cllr. Kerridge seconded. All voted in agreement.

REPORTS:

A copy of Cllr. Goldson's report is available from clerk upon request. (Clerk will forward email received subsequent to meeting from Cllr. Rolph outlining problems for persons requesting refunds of monies paid for season tickets)

No report.

All relevant matters covered within Agenda.

ITEMS CARRIED FORWARD FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS:

The defibrillator has now been installed by Pearce and Kemp Ltd. Councillors expressed their thanks for the provision of labour costs on a no charge basis. Training will now be arranged and a further meeting will be arranged by clerk with Village Hall committee regarding key code/battery etc next week.

Cllrs. had received full details on 03/01/2019 outlining Councils internal control arrangements and these had been subsequently reviewed as being satisfactory.

As a result of (ii) above full risk assessment had been undertaken by clerk and summarised for Cllrs. The document was presented and then proposed by Cllr. Cackett and seconded by Cllr. Stephenson for approval and acceptance. All voted in agreement.

The meeting closed at 7.45pm until 8.20pm to allow presentation and questions regarding fund raising committees preferred options for children's Playground refurbishment. Cllr. Rolph proposed agreement in principle and Cllr. Fosdike seconded. This will allow grants to be pursued based upon design outlined. Clerk to write to neighbouring properties highlighting the changes proposed to siting of activities within the play area. Further quotes (2) minimum will be required in due course based upon the plans agreed in principle.

PLANNING APPLICATIONS: None

Nomination forms have to be personally delivered to Council Offices. I have an appointment booked for 29/03/2019 to do this on behalf of Holton Parish Council. If forms are with me prior to the date I will check them and deliver. If they are sent direct and there is a problem the nomination may be refused.

A big thank you was expressed to Cllr. Hart and Cllr. Fosdike for their contribution to the Parish Council over many years as they will not be standing for election in May.

It was noted that SALC could not apply the recent instruction for increased hours as the hourly rate previously advised by the former clerk did not match the SCP quoted within the employment contract resulting in underpayment. This is now in the process of adjustment and correct rates will be applied by SALC Payroll.

CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

Covered within the agenda. Members noted pre meeting correspondence provided by email from Clerk.

RFO Report and Bank reconciliation. List of cheques for approval and signature.

Bank accounts have been reconciled and are available for councillor audit.

The report was proposed for acceptance by Cllr. Cackett and seconded by Cllr. Hart. All voted in agreement.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING.

Annual Parish Meeting 7.00pm 8th May 2019 Holton & Blyford Village Hall

First meeting of new Parish Council AGM 7.30pm 7.30pm Holton & Blyford Village Hall.

Elaine Day, Clerk to Holton Parish Council
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More than two years in the planning and opening this July the new touring park at the Triple Plea has 11 serviced, all electric, hard standing touring pitches for caravans and motor homes. In addition, there is a separate area for tents all with electric hook ups.

Following an archaeology survey early in 2018 the groundworks could begin. Groundwork involved the laying of hundreds of metres of land drains, water pipes, electric cables and roadways laid using some 700 tonnes of hardcore. A pond was dug as part of the drainage scheme and is gradually filling with water. The newly built brick toilet block has separate ladies, gentlemen and disabled facilities along with a pot wash area. The whole block has the luxury of underfloor heating.

In tandem with the work on the touring park, The Triple Plea itself has been undergoing refurbishment. New windows have been installed. In "The Barn" the plaster has been replaced and given a fresh coat of paint. A new access/fire door as well as insulation has been installed creating a quieter and cosier ambience.

Visitors to the Touring Park can enjoy the Regular monthly entertainment provided at The Triple Plea. This includes Piano man Dave Johnson on the second Saturday. The third Wednesday hosts a Quiz in aid of charity and the last Friday of the month see Pam, Johnny and Friends open mike music evening.

Should visitors want a rest from self-catering they can enjoy a choice of weekly specials. Tuesday evening Burger night, Wednesday Seniors lunch, Thursday evening pie night and the ever-popular Sunday lunchtime carvery. During the summer there is a Friday evening Happy Hour and barbeque.

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Heather's Walk for Christian Aid

Saturday 11th May 2019

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MORE MEMORIES OF LIVING IN HOLTON IN THE 1920'S AND 1930'S

Following on from the last edition, here is more from the articles sent by the family of Joan Flatt who lived in Holton in the 1920's with her family. After her death the family found these writings among her effects and sent them to the school to see if they would be of interest.

Our vicar used to take services at one or two more outlying churches that did not have a minister and that meant the choir had to travel with him. So special times, like Christmas, Easter and Harvest Festival were busy for us. We thought nothing of walking several miles there and back, unless the weather was wet, when a few of the older and less hardy members would plead sickness, the resulting volume and tone of the choir sometimes sounding a bit thin and reedy.

Winter would bring the usual crop of coughs and colds. A slight in one's temperature would result in a couple of days in bed, a crackly fire in the bedroom grate and homemade hot lemonade or blackcurrant drinks. We children lapped up all the fuss and attention that Mum lavished on us, along with the dainty invalid food and special little surprises she provided. We always recovered from our ailments very quickly, due in no small part to the loving care we received and the feeling that we were somehow very special. Modern bedrooms, with their central heating radiators, lack what I would call an atmosphere of primitive comfort. Sometimes though, the accent was more on the primitive and less on the comfort, especially during a freeze when the drinking water by the bedside would turn to ice and to step out of a warm bed in the morning on to the cold lino would bring forth anguished howls.

After I turned thirteen Dad only featured in our lives at weekends as he was working away from home, so the weekend always seemed like a party. Dad was a talented pianist and impromptu parties were always likely to develop when friends dropped in.

I was beginning to grow up and realise just how difficult life was for my parents, trying to provide for four children on very little money. As an electrician my father had to take work wherever he could and when he took a job back in London it was only a matter of time before the rest of the family would have to follow. For nearly a year Dad lodged in London and rode his motorbike home at weekends but obviously could not last and eventually it was borne in on me that my idyllic life was about to change.

The day the furniture van drew away from the cottage with our home aboard, Mum wept, I wept, Gran and Grandad wept – even the dog howled.

As one chapter closes, so another must begin. With the resilience of youth I picked up the threads of life in south west London with all the enthusiasm I had felt in Suffolk, but never again would I experience the freedom of spirit that had come simply by stepping outside the back door of Avondale, walking with the east wind in my face and watching the ever changing sky, like some fast dome. This is a magic in an East Anglian sky that I have found nowhere else and whenever I go back it captures me all over again.

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HOLTON & BLYFORD VILLAGE HALL TOTE

The result of the draw held on 12 March

1st - No.75 - Margaret Veasey - £25

2nd - No.99 - Brian Collett - £10

3rd - No.114 - Fred Fisher - £5

4th - No.8 - Judy Nicholls - £5

New members are always welcome. Please contact Helen Fensom on 01986 873575 for further details.

The result of the draw held on 9 April

1st - No.92 - Mr & Mrs B Ellis - £25

2nd - No.31 - Joy Johnson - £10

3rd - No.1 - Jan Whatrup - £5

4th - No.139 - Linda Grimwade - £5

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN THE ARTS?

The Arts Society Southwold is offering two more talks before the season ends. The first one is on **Tuesday 14th May** on "New York in the Gilded Age (1890s)" and given by Mary Alexander. Then on **Tuesday 11th June** we have a talk on "Thomas Heatherwick – the modern Leonardo?" given by Ian Swankie. Both lectures start at 2 pm in the Southwold Arts Centre, St Edmund's Hall, Cumberland Road, Southwold. Visitors are welcome with a suggested donation of £5 payable on the door.

If you would like more information or are interested in joining our society, please contact me on 01986 874000 or email tassouthwold@gmail.com for more details.

SOUTHWOLD ARTS FESTIVAL

The sixth Southwold Arts Festival is taking place between 22nd and 29th June and our society is sponsoring a talk on "Leonardo Da Vinci, one of the greatest artists of all time" given by Shirley Smith. It will take place in the Southwold Arts Centre on **Tuesday 25th June** at 2pm. Tickets cost £5 and may be booked in advance. Contact the Box Office, telephone 01502 722572 or email: info@southwoldartsfestival.co.uk.

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Saturday: 9am - 2pm



HOLTON & BLYFORD VILLAGE HALL COMMUNITY SURVEY

The Village Hall Committee is very pleased with the results of our recent improvements programme which included the installation of new doors and windows, internal decoration, free Wi-Fi for hall users and the updated kitchen. Please give us your views on what else we can do to improve the hall, make it more appealing and encourage more people to hire it and/or attend the events we hold there.

If you are interested in getting more involved please contact one of the committee or email us on

holtonandblyfordvillagehall@hotmail.com

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Please tick the items that you think would be of most benefit:

Improvements

- Extend the bar area/add a conservatory
- Replace the stage curtains
- Resurface the car park
- Improve the mains drainage
- Other (please state)

Activities

- Regular fitness classes
- Regular community café
- Film shows
- Other (please state)

When you have completed the survey please pop it into our postbox at the end of the Village Hall driveway.

Please contact Wendy Mendham on 01986 872590 if you are happy to be contacted about events and activities or have an idea not mentioned above.

Thank you.

CHURCH SERVICES

MAY

5th May	10.00am Team Eucharist at St Mary's Church, Halesworth
12th May	6.30pm Team Evensong and Christian Aid Commissioning Service
19th May	11.15am Iona Morning Worship
26th May	11.15am Eucharist

JUNE

2nd June	10.00am Team Eucharist at St Mary's Church, Halesworth
9th June	PENTECOST with Churches Together on St Peter's Church Paddock (time to be arranged)
16th June	11.15am Iona Morning Worship
23rd June	11.15am Eucharist
30th June	10.00am Team Eucharist at St Mary's Church, Halesworth

Please check the latest "Team Times" or church noticeboard for full service details as these can change.

CHURCH NEWS AND EVENTS

POP-IN PARLOUR

Pop-In Parlour is on **Friday 10th May (please note the date)** from 12 noon until 1.30pm in St Peter's Room. Please come and join us for a convivial lunch before our summer break.

COFFEE MORNING

Wake up and smell the roses!
Saturday 8th June 10am until 12 noon at West Lodge, Lodge Road, Holton.
In aid of St Peter's Church.

LENT LUNCHES

THANK YOU to all who came to our Lent Lunches which raised money for the Leprosy Mission. This year we raised £235 which will be matched by the UK as part of it's overseas aid programme.

30th MAY TEAM EUCHARIST

Join with people from across the Blyth Valley in St Mary's Church, Halesworth as we celebrate the priesting of Revd Jane Held on the 29th May at Bury St Edmund's Cathedral, and as we thank her for all the work that she is already doing in the Team.

A SERVICE TO CELEBRATE ALL THE LOCAL VOLUNTEERS AND THE ORGANISATIONS THEY SUPPORT

Sunday 2nd June at 3pm in St Mary's Church, Halesworth
Come as a volunteer, as a supporter, as a user of one of the organisations, just come!



Saturday 4th May 10am St Peter's Church Paddock

Bookings: £6 in advance
£7.50 on the day
Tel: 01986 835 752 or 01986 875 913

Refreshments, Raffle and Church Stall
In aid of St Peter's Church

St Peter's Room, Holton

A room within the church

Equipped with Tea and Coffee facilities.

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Bookings : 01986 835752

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FRIDAY 14 JUNE



REGULAR ACTIVITIES AT THE VILLAGE HALL

Weekly	
Badminton Club	Tuesdays 7.30 - 9.30pm
Halesworth U3A	Tuesday 10-12 Ukulele Group
Art Group	2nd and 4th Tuesday, 2-5pm (except July, August and December)
Bingo	Fortnightly on Thursdays at 7.30pm
Buzzy Bee's Music Group	Every other Friday at 9.30am Contact Catherine: 07791 014885 or see Facebook
One Life Suffolk Weight Loss	Fridays 1pm
Big Breakfast	First Sunday every month

The Village Hall is also available for private functions during the day and evening and is licensed for the sale of alcohol.

To make a booking call: 07756 916577 or email: holtonandblyfordvillagehall@hotmail.com

HOLTON B&Bs	
Gavelcroft	01986 873117 gavelcroft@gmail.com
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LOCAL SERVICES	
Foot Care Practitioner -Jane Parker, TCFPC dip.	07732 048837
Market Fields Farm Shop Holton Road Garden Centre Holton Road Cafe	01986 872134 01986 872761 01986 873772
Newspapers – Patrick's	01986 875229
Private Hire – DRF Transport	01986 872829
The Hot Meal Service	01986 835895
Taxi – Ginge	01986 874028
OTHER USEFUL LOCAL NUMBERS	
Doctor's Surgery	01986 874618
NHS (non-emergency)	111
Police (non-emergency)	101
Waveney District Council	01502 562111

Suffolk Libraries

MOBILE LIBRARY TIMETABLE

Greenbank	1245-1300
Lower Park Walk	1410-1425
Valley Close	1430-1450

Calling on 24 May, 21 June

CASUALTIES & MINOR INJURIES

Cutlers Hill Surgery, Bungay Road, Halesworth
Tel: 01986 874618
Monday to Friday (not Bank Holidays) between 8.30am and 6pm

The Minor Injury unit provides treatment for less serious injuries **less than 48 hours old**. This is a nurse-led unit and is supported by the doctors who oversee the unit's work and are available for advice when needed. If your condition cannot be dealt with here then you will be referred to the nearest Accident and Emergency department (A&E) or to another appropriate service. The unit offers treatment to anyone with a minor injury - there is no age limit and you do not have to be a patient of the surgery to use the facility. It is a **walk-in service for Minor injuries only** and you do not need to make an appointment. Patients are seen in order of priority. Please report to the Receptionist at the surgery.