NORTON NEWS

MAY 2021 ISSUE

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PLAY SPACE UPDATE

Our Parish's true community spirit has been shown in all its glory this month!

We had two mums of Norton CofE Primary School children filling potholes with hardcore, whilst their children enjoyed the new Saturday morning sports club. The children of the school all helped in planting Wild Cherry and Silver Birches on World Earth Day. Then on Saturday 24th April, we had a selection of volunteers come to help plant trees next to the new Play Space:



We've also received an offer from a Parishioner to repair the fence running between Wainlode Lane and the Play Space, as a contribution to the area. Thank you all so much for your help and support - it's part of what makes Norton such a wonderful Parish.

The contractors are due to return on 4th May to finish the Play Space works, there are a few elements to complete to ensure that it is up to our high expectations. Then we will look forward to inviting all the Parish to the official opening as soon as we are able to under Government guidance. Thank you all again for your help and support!



NORTON SCHOOL UPDATE:

For Earth Day, Norton C of E Primary School planted 40 native trees - 30 Wild Cherries and 10 Silver Birch. Mr Spencer's sports club has also planted a special hazel tree. Year 6 dug all the holes! And each child helped plant, water and protect our saplings. We cannot wait to see them grow as our children do.

A special thank you to Eirwyn Jenkins and Selina Bostock for their tireless hard work to turn thoughts into action. The entire school community is eternally grateful.



NOTICING & NURTURING NATIVE NATURE

This spring, Norton Parish Council, residents, and our school community wish to encourage the planting of the following local native species in our gardens and hedgerows:

Birdsfoot Trefoil, Bladder and Red Campion, Bluebells, Common, Yarrow, Tufted, and Yellow Vetch, Cow Parsley, Cowslips, Creeping and Meadow Buttercup, Field Scabious, Garlic Mustard, Lady's and Hedge Bedstraw, Meadow Cranesbill, Oxeye Daisy, Red Clover, Ribwort Plantain, Rough Hawksbit, White Deadnettle and Wood Avens.

For more inspiration for noticing and nurturing native nature at home in Norton, please visit https://www.gloucestershirewildlifetrust.co.uk/home-ideas

NORTON RFC

In accordance with government and RFU guidance, the club returned to training on Tuesday 30th March. it's been great to get back to playing rugby and see some new faces joining us. Training will be a mix of rugby fitness and touch rugby for the upcoming weeks. New players are welcome to join us on the playing field every Tuesday evening.

The Warpig Trotters Running Club also resumed at the beginning of the month. We will do an off-road 5km each Thursday evening. Please get in touch with Sam on 07761 758284 if you want to be involved.

To keep up-to-date with our news, please follow the Norton RC Community page on Facebook. Lookout for an announcement about our 10-year anniversary celebrations this summer.

Norton, Leigh & District Hortic Show

PLANT SALE

(Vegetables, Perennials etc)

Sunday 9 May
Daniels Orchard's Yard (adjacent to Village Pond)
The Leigh
10am to 3pm (or whilst stocks last!)

Honesty Box: cash only
Social Distancing MUST be observed
COVID safety measures will be in place

Open to Norton & Leigh Parishioners
& their family & friends

FLY TIPPING

There have been some recent issues with Fly Tipping in and around the village. If you see any incidences, you can report it on Tewkesbury Borough Council's Website.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Did you know there is a Norton branch of Neighbourhood Watch? With over 60 villagers in the group, it's a great way to keep in contact in these difficult times. Please email to join: christine1williams@btinternet.com

NORTON CHURCH

Although we are not having any services in the church at the moment, we are open on a Tuesday from 10am-4pm for private prayer. There is also a 10am Benefice service on Zoom every Sunday. Call 07774 803177 for details.
For services in the Benefice please go to: seventowers.org.uk



There is a regular collection of donations for the Gloucester Food Bank at St Mary's in Prior's Norton. Please drop any food items and toiletries every other Wednesday morning. Food is collected from the church between 1-2pm. Upcoming dates are:
Apr 28
May 12, 26
If you can't get to Prior's Norton, please email: NNEditor@nortonparish.com

USEFUL LINKS & CONTACTS

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