NORTON NEWS

APRIL 2022 ISSUE

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TREE PLANTING CEREMONY

Residents planted an Acer and a Silver Birch on The Green on Wednesday 26 March in support of the Queen's Jubilee "Green Canopy" project. Local children performed the traditional tree planting ceremony by laying the first few spade-fuls of earth on the roots and burying commemorative plaques. The trees were funded jointly by The Green's residents and the Parish Council. Here are some photographs of the event.





UPDATE FROM NORTON CofE PRIMARY SCHOOL

We have had a wonderful spring term at Norton C of E Primary School. Years 5 and 6 went to John Moore Museum as part of a Geography fieldwork trip and learnt about the impact of flooding. This inspired Year 6 to write persuasive letters to the local MP urging him to protect flood plains from building development.

We have also been celebrating Science Week with lots of outdoor activities using scientific skills. The children learnt that anybody can be a scientist and how important science is to our everyday lives.

We also had a visit from Ofsted and the report will be published shortly.

JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

Coming to Norton Village Hall and playing field 11th June 2022; Everyone, dust off your running shoes; Kids, get your costumes ready; Why not form your street's tug of war team! With a whole host of events being planned we want to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and bring the Parish together. There will be something for everyone throughout the day, pop the date in your diary and keep an eye out for updates.

WALK FOR LONGFIELD

Longfield Community Hospice will be hosting a spring walk at 10.30 am on Sunday 15 May and encourages locals to sign up for the perfect family day out.

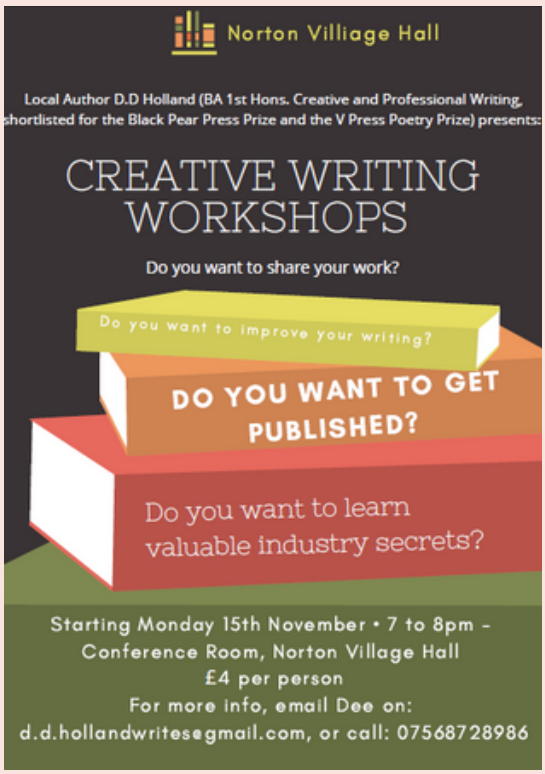
The 'Walk for Longfield' will offer a choice of 5 or 10K routes, setting off from Longfield's beautiful hospice grounds in Minchinhampton and crossing Minchinhampton and Rodborough Commons. Having taken in the stunning views, a cuppa and home-baked cakes will await you on your return. This is a great family event, which caters for adults, children and pets - dogs are welcome too!

All walkers will have the chance to hang a message in memory of their loved ones in Longfield's picturesque grounds.

A Covid-friendly event, with lots of fresh countryside air and outdoor space, it's the perfect opportunity to boost your physical and mental wellbeing.

All money raised will help fund Longfield's vital work providing care for adults in Gloucestershire with life-limiting conditions and support for their families and carers.
Register your interest at:
longfield.org.uk/event/walk-for-longfield







Norton + The Leigh Historical Society

Programme for Spring 2022

Monday 28th March 2022

"Medieval builders and building techniques" John Putley

Monday 25th April 2022

"The landscape legacy of the Normans" Alan Pilbeam
(Churches, deer parks, the establishment of the Forest of Dean etc.)

Monday 23rd May 2022

The history and plants of Westbury Court Garden Jerry Green

Meetings will be held in the main hall of Norton Village Hall
Doors open at 7.15pm, talks start at 7.30pm prompt
Everyone welcome.
Entrance ***£3***

While it continues to be advisable to keep Covid-19 safety precautions in place please wear a mask these meetings. Chairs will be well spaced and the windows and doors will be kept open if it warm enough to do so.

Contact: Sue Phelps 01452 731280 07754 668898

NORTON VILLAGE HALL COFFEE MORNINGS

The coffee mornings are held on the second Wednesday of each month (where possible), in the Committee Room at Norton Village Hall.

Tea/coffee, cake and biscuits are provided (minimum donation of £1.50), along with a welcoming and informal atmosphere.

Drop in any time between 10 – 11.30am to meet old friends and new neighbours. All proceeds go to the Village Hall.

Our next sessions will be: 13th April, 11 May, 8 June & 13 July.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Did you know there is a Norton branch of Neighbourhood Watch?
With over 80 villagers in the group, it's a great way to keep in contact. Please email to join:

christine1williams@btinternet.com

USEFUL LINKS & CONTACTS

HTTP://NORTONPARISH.COM
HTTP://SEVENTOWERS.ORG.UK/
NORTONCOUNCIL@GMAIL.COM
NORTON HISTORY
NHS 111 ONLINE
POLICE NON-EMERGENCY: 101
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NORTON CHURCH

Norton church is open daily from 10.00am to 4.00pm for private prayer.
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.