

THE GRINDLEFORD NEWS

July 2018



National Champion!

The British Mountaineering Council Youth Climbing Series National Final took place in Edinburgh recently and our very own Dylan Heason, aged 9,

qualified and climbed to take the British No.1 spot.

In order to qualify for the final com-

petitors normally have to compete in three regional rounds. This year round two was cancelled countrywide thanks to the 'Beast from the East', so the competition was narrowed down to individual performance based on just two rounds.

Dylan was exceptional and won both rounds for his age category. At this level competitors have to climb three boulders and three routes on top rope, and the grading of the routes was 6b, 6c and 7a+, which sounds a formidable challenge!

The final consisted of a full day's climbing within Edinburgh International Arena in Ratho, a quarry on the outskirts of the city that has a large roof over it and an artificial wall inside. In total 270 children took part, comprising five age categories, nine regions, girls and boys, representing England, Wales, Scotland and Ireland. Dylan competed in Boys Group E, the youngest category.

For the last eight years London and The South East have won the team trophy, but this year our very own Peak & Midlands region won it by a country mile, and Dylan took first place in his category and is now the No.1 climber for his age group!

Clearly our Peak District gritstone edges are an inspiration and Dylan is looking forward to scaling new heights in future competitions. Onwards and upwards!

Mrs Leonie Hill
Head Teacher

Sporting Prow- ess Secures An- other Top Spot



Following hard on the heels of the fantastic news that we have a UK Champion Climber within our little school community, we can now proudly announce that we have another UK placed pupil, this time for fencing.

The British Youth Championships for Fencing were held at the EIS in Sheffield. The Championship covered all three types of fencing: foil, epee and sabre. In order to get to the final, the participants had to go through various regional



rounds in their age categories.

After qualifying as the U12 East Midland Champion Tilly Petts fought her way through the seeding rounds called the poules. After winning three of her five matches in the poules, she progressed through the first knockout round winning 10-6, then lost to the eventual Bronze winner in the last sixteen.

Tilly is now ranked as 12th in her age category for British Sabre Fencing! Tilly got into fencing following a taster session here at school but what makes this even more impressive is that she has only been fighting for just over a year. I can't wait to see just

how far she is going to progress!

We are so proud to have such impressive sporting prowess within our village school. I haven't even mentioned swimming for Derbyshire, ice-skating, running...the list goes on!

Mrs Leonie Hill
Headteacher

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Gallop

The Beast from The East was coming. We had 600 people registered, the signs were all out, the cake slices all wrapped. Other running and biking events were cancelling and on Friday night the team met to discuss the impending snow storm coming on the day. Would it stop us from running the Grindleford Gallop? With a good discussion with mountain rescue, an email to all competitors warning them about the conditions and the knowledge that people can make their own choices, we decided to go ahead.

It was the best Gallop for years.

The Grindleford Gallop is a 21 mile race across hill and dale starting and ending in Grindleford, organised each year by the Parent Teacher Association with the help of Grindleford Preschool, Rainbows and Youth Club. The £9500 raised this year went straight to local organisations and school projects.

Blizzard conditions on the higher ground made for a challenge to the refresh-



ment stop run by pre-school but a camper van, true grit and some hardy children meant they held their own. We had extra marshalls and people ready to ferry runners home along the route. It was great to see runners who were really having to dig deep to get to the end, but managing it with our support. There were some very happy runners at the end receiving a bowl of hot soup made by the school kids and the Sir William chefs.



Thanks to everyone involved from volunteers, the Sir William, our neighbours for tolerating the lack of parking and the people of Frogatt for not complaining about an influx of runners on their main road. It really does help our school and strengthen the community of Grindleford. If you'd like to join the team in any way next year, then do get in touch.

As has become a tradition the Grindleford Gallop volunteers, well the ones still standing, went for a meal in The Sir William to celebrate a challenging but rewarding day and watch the amazing feedback come through on facebook.

Bee

“Such fantastic support from the GG helpers...registration, smiling, encouraging marshalls, tea and cake stations...tough conditions but a fab day. Thankyou everyone and glad in retrospect that it wasn't cancelled...phew!”

Charlie

“Thanks for a brilliant event today! Really well organised and supported all the way around despite the Arctic conditions, especially on Frogatt Edge! Blimey that was cold- never had icicles on my eye lashes before...see you next year.”

Sarmid

“Thank you so much, we really appreciate the effort and challenge of standing in adverse weather to allow this iconic event to go ahead.”

Sophie Heason
Grindleford Primary School Parent Teacher Association

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Fell Race

After five years Mike Nolan and I are standing down as the race organisers.

Feel free to call us shandy light-weights with regards to our tenure seeing as how Frank Galbraith managed about 15 years before passing it on to Joy Benn who organised the next 10 years.

A lot though has happened in the last 5 years.

Frank's original route, which he devised with some friends from Dark Peak Fell Runners, had remained unchanged since 1987 until this year. The National Trust asked us to change the route to avoid the off path sections so as not to disturb nesting birds such as Snipe. Whilst not being overly enthusiastic about any route change in the beginning due to not wanting to alter the tradition of the original route, the negotiated changes actually ended up improving the route giving it more climb, clearer views and a greater variety of terrain. We also took the opportunity to lose the road section by the Windsees estate, which went down very well with the fell runners.

The year we had 427 entries on the night certainly proved a challenge. It was after this that we decided to have only pre-entry with no entry on the day. The sticky labels and highlighter pens struggled to keep up and technology took over. Whilst this creates more work before the race it makes the event itself run much more smoothly on the night—except perhaps when the internet reception drops off!

The weather has also played a significant role in some years. This year's race had perfect conditions, but who could forget two years ago when torrential rains started after the race had begun. This made getting the vehicles off the field tricky, with the resulting tyre tracks leaving their mark for many months afterwards. (Sorry cricketers!) The runners loved the challenging conditions but for those on results duty and marshalling it was less pleasant. I was mildly hypothermic by the time I got to the pub, which was one of the reasons why not everyone got their right prize!

The sponsors have changed over the years. Outside, who had supported the race for many years and Cotswold, both outdoor gear shops, came and went, but for

the last 3 years Alpkit based in Hathersage have donated the prizes. Peak Ales have also supported the event well for the last 5 years. The Sir William each year donate 5 Sunday lunch meals for 2 and these have been reserved for the marshals and helpers of the race, with the names being drawn out of a hat. Each year around 45 people help make this traditional event such a success and a major fixture in the Peak District fell racing calendar. Some people have been involved with the race since it started and several people take on more than one job. Huge thanks goes to these people not just for this year but for all the help in previous years too.

Apart from being just about the most popular short fell race around here it is unusual with its 50/50 male/female split. Most races would get perhaps 70% or even 80% men entered.

The first local home is always keenly fought over. The Joy Benn trophy for the first woman went to Julia Nolan with Jane Crowson a close second, and only seconds behind was Pat Goodall in third. The Frank Galbraith trophy for the first man was also hotly contested with Dave Miller just getting the better of Mike Nolan, and Ed Richardson not far behind.

Whilst I don't have complete records, especially for some of the earlier years and so apologies to those missed off, here is a list of the previous first locals known about.

Men: John Wood, Andy Bowman, Alan Jacques, Paul Donnelley, Steven Donnelley, David Tiplady, Andrew Battie x2, Richard Pattern x3, Andy Barnett, John Coffey, Dave Allen, Mike Nolan x5, Joe Gratton, David Miller x5, and Matt Heason.

Women: H. Jackson, J. Chadwick, V. Ironside, Charna Patton x2, Helen Barnett x2, Jane Crowson x7, Julia Nolan x5, and Ayshea Furlong.



In the early years of the race Mary Morton used to provide hand-made ceramic trophies for these winners as well as the runners up. Thanks to Alan Jaques for the photograph of his, and good luck to Ed, Matt and Neil, the team taking the race forward in the future.

Andy Barnett



The Grindleford Community Shop

Happy Birthday To Us

Unbelievably, we have just celebrated our 4th birthday. On 14 June we entered, almost without noticing, our fifth year of trading. We talked a lot at the end of year 3 of being officially a success, because we had completed our business plan having done the things we said we were going to do. For example, picking one at random, trading in profit. But somewhere deep in the depths, four years feels a little bit more significant. We may yet give up and close, of course, but I think after four years we can genuinely say that the project has been a success.

We get huge amounts of positive comments from our visitors, saying how impressed they are that a bunch of outright amateurs, a large helping of Derbyshire grit and some good will have put together a village shop which manages to keep its head above water and provide a service to our community. As ever our volunteers, customers and visitors (sometimes the same people...) are at the centre of it all. But on a personal note we feel rather proud of our little outfit, with the quaint building in gorgeous grounds (thank you St Helens), imaginative stock, buckets of tea and James 'Erriot'-style mountains

of cake.

We are looking pretty good as we go into our fifth year and, thanks to the Goat, we can take a bit of a knock, so I am hopeful that we will be here next year wishing ourselves a happy 5th birthday. But for the meantime a happy 4th birthday Grindleford Shop and thank you to all who have made, and continue to make, it all possible.

Have you been over-protected?

We sent an email round on 24 May asking you good people on our shop newsletter email list if you would like to continue to be contacted. We've had a predictable number of non-returns, and we are very keen not to foist our bulletins upon you if you can't stand it. But most of the people we have asked have said oh yes of course! And we do think that the shop newsletters are worth more than the e-paper they are written on, telling you as they do about up and coming events, lost dogs and children, how best to avoid the long queues to see the Grindleford Singers, pizza evenings and all sorts of other things which life is better for knowing. We rarely try to sell you stuff on the grounds that you already know what we stock, and ever since a certain beekeeper had a word with her the author

has cut the length by half, much to everyone's relief. So basically what's not to like, and you can tell Sarah or Andrew or email sar.bat2@gmail.com, or ring the shop, or pop in, we don't mind just give us the nod and we'll reinstate you on our emailing list.

That's it for another *Grindleford News*. Come down to the shop, have a welcome cuppa and soak up some rays under the spreading limbs of the old oak tree if you are passing, we always like to have a chat.

Sarah and Andrew

All Change on the Buses?

It is likely that our No.65 bus services will change again, from 22 July. This is because the County Council are continually trying to save money. At the moment, the only certainty is that High Peak will run buses into Sheffield at **09.45** and **13.15** (note the new times), and back from Sheffield at **10.30** and **14.00**.

I have asked the County Council to let me know as soon as possible about the full changes, and I will put some notices up after this.

Thank you very much to the lady from the village who reminded me about the **Derbyshire Connect** shopping service. This replaces our former Community Transport Dial-A-Ride service, and goes into Buxton every Monday. It gives passengers 2 hours at Morrisons, and can also go into Buxton town centre on request. The bus will pick you up and drop you off at home, and it arrives in Grindleford around 11.15. It can accommodate wheelchairs.

You need to book the bus in advance, by phoning **01335 300670**, and it is free to Gold Card holders

Peter O'Brien 639683
Parish Councillor

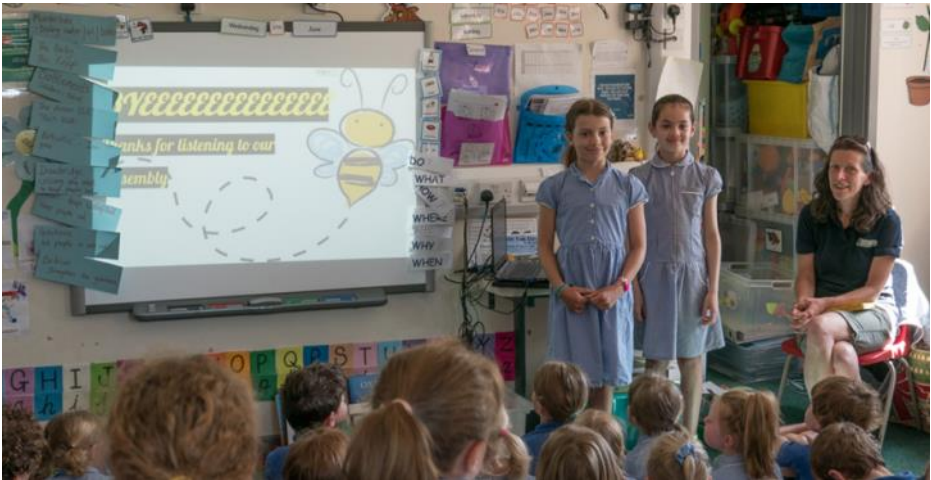
Bee Awe- some This Summer!



Derbyshire
Wildlife Trust

There was a real buzz at an assembly last month as the theme was bees.

It started off with a wonderful presentation from two pupils on the plight of bee species, and what are the main problems they face as their numbers are dwindling.



Diane from Derbyshire Wildlife Trust told us some things we can do in order to help these essential pollinators. She kindly provided every child in school with an amazing bee-themed kit of activities, games and scientific things to do. It also included a packet of seeds that will produce some very nectar-rich flowers.

We then announced the grand total number of knitted bees that many extended

members of the school family have been busy producing over the last few months. A HUGE thank you to everyone who has produced one of these little wonders. You have been super worker bees!



The total donated to the Wildlife Trust to sell was...



278!

We hope you can keep bees in mind this summer when you are out in the garden and do something to help them out. Our Reception pupils have already started making some gorgeous creations and we have lots of ideas to put into practice going forward.

If you see a Derbyshire Wildlife Trust shop in the coming weeks, pop in and see what else you can discover.

Mrs Leonie Hill
Headteacher

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Pavilion Development



Progress has been rapid over the last month or so. As can be seen in this photo taken in late June, the shell of the Pavilion extension has reached eaves level and is ready for the ridge beam to be placed.

We are very pleased to get above the foundations because we have encountered a number of problems below ground which have had to be overcome. These include:

- the main incoming power cable ran diagonally right across the plan area of the extension; it had to be cut and re-routed along the back of the new retaining wall to a new incoming box at the rear of the Pavilion.
- The existing building drains were running along the front wall line of the extension and have had to be diverted.
- The very original Pavilion building had a walkway, level with the field, around the back of the building. This meant we had to excavate much deeper to provide a firm foundation for the new extension at that position.

These are the sort of hidden problems which are difficult to plan for. Hopefully above ground the building works will be more straightforward.

Funding

We continue to seek additional funding so we can progress other repairs and improvements. We have recently submitted a grant application aimed at replacing the existing building roof, amongst other improvements.

You Can Help

If you would like to help with our fundraising, go to the grindleford.com website, Bishop Pavilion and Playing Fields page, Pavilion Development > Appeal, where you can follow the guidance to donate to our funds. Alternatively talk to a member of the playing fields management committee. We are very thankful to those of you who have already helped with donations.

Tim Reynolds

School Inspection



In one of the busiest weeks of our school year, whilst we were in the midst of preparations for the annual Gallop fell race, we received the phone call that we were to have an Ofsted inspector arrive the next day to carry out a full two-day inspection. An Ofsted inspection is always going to be an anxious time for any school, but with the Gallop at the end of the same week I think it's fair to say that it was somewhat more stressful than normal!



The full report has now been published and you can read a copy on the school website. I am delighted to confirm that we have been judged as **good** in *every* section of the report and these combined judgements give the school an overall effectiveness grading of **good**.

Our Ofsted inspector praised the good quality of teaching “taught by subject specialists with good subject knowledge,” commenting that as a result of this teaching “pupils develop a wide range of knowledge” and “are prepared well for

their next stage in learning.”

The inspector’s praise didn’t stop at the teachers; she went on to say the “teaching assistants provide highly effective support to pupils” and that they “made a strong contribution to the improvements in the early years” helping pupils “work increasingly independently,” and that “the pupils they support make accelerated progress as a result of their high-quality work.”

“In 2017, the proportion of pupils achieving the expected standard, or higher, in mathematics at the end of key stage 1 was greater than the national average.”

The report comments on the feedback the inspector received from parents and pupils too. “One parent said that their child was ‘positively thriving’ within this school community” whilst pupils said that they attended a “nice school where they have the chance to learn a lot of things!”

The report also praises the high quality support for vulnerable pupils, sports funding, pupil behaviour and personal development, and describes the school’s governing body as “highly skilled, keen and committed.”

As Head Teacher Leonie Hill said: “We are delighted that the report reflects all the hard work we have put in, the staff, governors, parents and of course the children. Our school truly is ‘at the heart of the community’ and long may it continue to be so.”

We are not resting on our laurels though, and are very clear about what we need to do next to improve the school further. The school development plan is rightly focused on further improving pupils’ achievement, and the whole school is working hard with this in mind.

I’d like to thank all the teachers, the entire support team and in particular Leonie Hill, for their significant hard work which has resulted in this good grading for the school and their ongoing commitment to ensuring our pupils receive the very best start to their education.

Have a look at the full report on our school website, or should you require a copy please contact the school and we will be pleased to email a copy to you.

Paul Hayes
Chair of Governors

Grindleford

Climbing Wall???

We've built a number of small climbing walls in various garages and lofts over the years and are sure that a few exist in Grindleford. Not having the space for one at our houses in the village has sewed the idea of finding a suitable space and making a communal one that anybody in the village can share in. We approached a few folk to ask if they might be interested in supporting such a venture and the reaction was really positive. It seems that there are a lot of climbers here!

First hurdle was to find a way of insuring it. Problem solved; the Grindleford Goats, until now simply a slogan on a T-shirt (and not to be confused with the Grindleford Goat which is the cycle sportive that raises money for the village shop each September), can be formed into a proper club which can then be affiliated to the British Mountaineering Council. The climbing wall would become the Club Hut, and members of the club would become members of the BMC, with use of the wall insured for members and their guests.

Next step, find a venue. It took a couple of months, but in the end it seems that it was staring us all right in the face. The outbuilding between the Sir William Hotel and the Primary School is perfect. Terry and Helen are supportive of the idea. On Mon 9th July a few of us went to clear the building of stuff, so that on Wed 18th July we can hold a general meeting to invite anybody in the village to come along and check it out, hear the plans, and hopefully give an expression of interest in joining up.

The general idea would be an annual membership (single and family options) which would cover affiliation (and resultant membership) to the BMC, rental to the pub, and general upkeep and maintenance of the wall. We'll most likely need to do some fundraising to get the thing built in the first place.

So, if you're interested please pop along at 8pm on Wed 18th July. It'll give us a chance to see whether there are enough people to make it work. If you can't make it, but are interested nevertheless please email matt@heason.net or give me a bell on 01433 639378 / 07966529219. If you have any skills that you think you might be able to offer then please speak up.

Jamie Fulson, Ed Richardson & Matt Heason

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Gazelles



A gazelle is probably not what you'd expect to see in Grindleford, but if you're quick enough you may see a whole herd of them!

School pupils have named our after-school running club the Grindleford Gazelles. They've designed striking new running tops incorporating their name, together with a great logo depicting a leaping gazelle.

As I'm sure you will already know, the school has a strong focus on sport and outdoor activities and the running club has become increasingly popular. We can often be seen running through the village on our way to stunning locations such as the National Trust's Longshaw estate.

On a recent afternoon the pupils teamed up to run a collective 3.7 miles in memory of Matt Campbell, the MasterChef participant who tragically died before completing the London Marathon. This was in the week after the new running tops had their first outing at the 3K Fun Run at Chatsworth in aid of the Helen's Trust charity, where some of the pupils joined in and raised nearly £200.

"We had great fun tonight on our run at Longshaw," said 9-year-old Alana Bur-nip who helped design the new tops, "it was a tough run and we had quite a lot



of hills but the sun was shining and we all looked really smart in our new tops."

The tops were kindly donated to the school by leading rural insurance company NFU, based in Chapel-en-le-Frith.

The after-school running club is organised by teachers and parents who select the routes and vary the groups and terrain to reflect the different abilities.



The children often beat me! I'm usually the exhausted one at the back of the group but I really enjoy it. It's not about being the fastest, it's about the achievement of completing the distance and supporting each other. I am always impressed with how well they do, especially when it's extreme weather and there are lots of hills to conquer. I don't like hills!

So keep a lookout and you may spot a Grindleford Gazelle, but you'd better be quick as we're unlikely to be grazing!

Mrs Leonie Hill
Headteacher

HOUSE WANTED!

We are a family of 5 looking to buy a house in the Grindleford area.

Ideally we would like at least 5 bedrooms and a garden.

We have accepted an offer on our house so are looking to move quickly.

Please call Alex on 07803130118 if you are thinking of selling your house.

Thank you.

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Horticultural Society

A busy August awaits with a number of horticultural events in the area, and we are looking forward to seeing your contributions to the show—six weeks to grow that marrow, get that fancy dahlia blooming brilliantly, bake the cake, get that photo mounted, write a poem. Lots of options and opportunities for all the family.

Saturday 11th August - Calver, Curbar, Froggatt Open Gardens

11am - 4pm, 15+ gardens open with spectacular views and hidden gems.

Refreshments in some of the gardens and at Calver Village Hall. Programmes £5.00 each. All proceeds to All Saints' Church, Curbar.

Saturday 18th August 2pm - Grindleford Horticultural Society Show

Opened by our former postman Peter Fields.

We had a great turn out last year, and we're hoping it will continue this year. We have taken on board feedback from last year and have looked to speed up processing both at registration and after the event.



Please note:

- You must complete a separate form for each exhibitor.
- More forms available from the Community Shop and Sir William Hotel, scan a copy yourself or get one on Registration night.
- Read the rules carefully.
- Classes 129, 130, 132 (Photos, Poems) are submitted on Thursday evening at registration.
- Registration from 6:00pm until 8:30pm Thursday 16th August at the Bishop Pavilion.

This is a community event and we are always appreciative of any help you can offer, especially in getting everything set up on the Friday and taken down on

the Saturday after the show. If you can help please join us at the Bishop Pavilion on Friday afternoon and at 5pm on the Saturday.

Many stands, tea & refreshments, car parking free, Hathersage Silver Band, entrance £2.00, accompanied children free.

Our thanks to the sponsors of the show: Naturalearth Products, John Mottershaw Wedding Photography, Grindleford Private Hire, Andrew Lawton Furniture Designer, Derwent Gallery, JPR Farm Direct, The Grouse Inn, Toll Bar Fish & Chips, D.B. Decorating, Mount Pleasant Garage, The Alpine Plant Centre, Grindleford & Eyam Playgroup, Calver Sough Garden Centre, Breedon Cement Works, Hozelock Ltd, Peak Fruits Hathersage, Select Seeds, Two West & Elliot, Mr T Severn, The Maynard, The Sir William, Grindleford Community Shop, Whites of Calver, Stephen J Blowen.

Membership of the Society is £4.00 , with talks and visits throughout the year.

Next Events

18th August 2pm - Grindleford Horticultural Society show

17th October - 'Lady Ann Clifford: A 17th C Gardener', talk given by Sally Cave

20th November - AGM and Social

Saturday 25th August 2pm - 73rd Froggatt and District Horticultural Society Show

Open from 2.00pm to 5.15pm

Admission £3.00, children free

The Hathersage Brass Band will play between 2.00pm and 5.00pm

Car parking will be free

Teas & refreshments, various stalls and games

Website www.froggattshow.org for Show schedule



Registration from 7.00pm until 9.00pm Wednesday 22nd August at the Froggatt Wesleyan Reform Chapel, or send your entry form with fee to the Secretary, FDHS, Roughlands, Moorlands Lane, Froggatt, Hope Valley S32 3ZL.

The Froggatt Show is held at Stoke Lane, S32 3XY.

David Jackson
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GHS Garden Visit

It's the time of year when the RHS flower shows are in full swing with their show gardens bursting with colour. It seemed the perfect time for us to visit a very special secret garden in Grindleford, a real hidden gem.

On a lovely sunny evening last week we visited Riverdale, a beautiful spot tucked away behind Goatscliffe Cottages just off the Main Road. The building was originally a tannery but it is now home to six lovely apartments. The conversion began in 1996 and at that point the garden was totally overgrown, and so began the hard work that has resulted in the lovely garden that is here today.

The garden has been cared for and transformed by Dorothy Turner and Terry Severn. You can really see the amount of tender loving care that has gone into every little detail in this garden.

A major focal point of the garden is the fishpond and stream, surrounded by shrubs and Japanese acers. Two archways are real features with their intertwined rambling roses currently in full bloom and just a profusion of colour.

The garden has an orchard and parts of the grassland in this area are left to grow naturally to attract wildlife such as insects, butterflies, bees and hedgehogs.

Over forty guests joined us to look around Riverdale and not only were they treated to a great horticultural evening they also had the opportunity to enjoy some fabulous catering too. There were drinks on arrival, a BBQ, quiche, salads and some truly delicious cakes. It was a wonderful array of home-cooked foods



we hadn't been expecting, which somehow made it even better! Guests donated to Dorothy and Terry's chosen charities (Ashgate Hospice and the Air Ambulance) and I'm delighted to report that we raised over £300.

A special thank you to Dorothy and Terry for inviting us to experience their beautiful garden and for their generous hospitality—something that really does warrant a Best in Show.

Kay Allinson

Chair of Grindleford Horticultural Society

Every Little Helps



You may have heard on the news or read in the papers about the current underfunding issues in primary schools throughout the country, and our village school is certainly not immune to these challenges. So we are always delighted with the strong village support we receive at events we attend and initiatives we run. Thank you!

Grindleford Gallop

This is a huge event for us, and one that brings together the whole community. Thank you for putting up with the disruption in the village on the day, for being so welcoming to all the runners and for helping this event to become such an iconic fixture in the fell racing calendar now.

Tombola at the Carnival

Our school tombola was a very popular stall indeed, as you may have noticed if you visited the carnival this year. As a result we raised an incredible amount of money, nearly £300! This goes straight into the school pot and is a massive amount, so thank you very much for having a go and we hope you won something!

Sir William

The team at the Sir William continue to raise funds for our school and the film events have been delivering donations on a regular basis. Thank you Terry & Helen—we're delighted that you've chosen to support us and we're really grateful for your ongoing efforts.

Clothing Collection

We did a clothing and shoe collection with Bag2School last year and it was so successful that are going to do it again in the autumn on Friday 21st September at 9.00am, so please start having a sort out! You can use any bag and we will be posting some official collecting bags through letterboxes in September.



You can include clothes, shoes (tied together please), hats, belts, handbags and soft toys (please refer to uk.bag2school.com for full details). In addition to raising much needed funds it will also raise awareness amongst the children of the benefits of recycling and reuse.

If you fill the donation bag and still have more items to donate then please ask us for another bag (we have plenty here at school) or you can use any other bag to donate your items.

Please don't forget to ask your friends and neighbours to have a sort out as well! The more bags we get the more funds we raise.

Bag2School will be collecting from Grindleford Primary School at 9.00am on the morning of Friday 21st September. In order to make things easy for residents, and to encourage as many residents as possible to donate, we are organising a bag collection around the village on Thursday 20th September. Please leave any bags you would like collecting outside your house by 10.00 am on Thursday 20th September and we will collect them during the morning. Alternatively, you can bring your bags to school during school hours anytime on Thursday 20th September or by 9.00am on Friday 21st September.

We are hoping to have a really good collection and would like to thank you in advance for participating in this fundraising opportunity. We will let you know how much money we raise for the school in the next edition of the Grindleford News

Easyfundraising

One of the easiest ways to help the school without it costing you a penny! Also, if you've got a business then your online business purchases could help us even more.



So far we've raised over £300!

Have you signed up yet? You can shop with any of over 3300 well-known retailers

via the easyfundraising website, and a percentage of what you spend is passed to Grindleford Primary School **at no additional cost to you.**

Retailers include Amazon, M&S, Vodafone, eBay, Tesco, John Lewis, Sainsburys and many more.

Please register to support us at:

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/grindlefordprimaryschool

Finally, a huge...

Thank You

to everyone!

Friends and Parents of
Grindleford Primary School



Grindleford Goes Wild!

Carnival Week

This year's carnival was kicked off with a wonderful football tournament by Grindleford Junior FC, hosted by Becky Harby and Jane Ireson. The Grindleford Ambassadors were introduced to the village and bravely gave some heart-warming speeches about their time at Grindleford Primary School. Grindleford

Singers once again entertained us with some lovely renditions of old favourites and interactive ones! Trish and Ian Barker put on an amazing display of cakes, snacks and raffle prizes to support Grindleford Junior FC and Grindleford Youth Club. And of course Critchclows Farm Shop put on some tasty treats for those half time munchies! A great day to start the week.

Monday night saw the annual Junior Fell Race hosted by Beth and Andy Marshall. Many thanks for organising that once again! This year's fastest girl being Maddy Richardson and for the boys Toby Marshall, who managed to beat the fastest time on record!

Thursday night saw the Senior Fell Race take place hosted by Andy Barnett and Mike Nolan, which was another sell out occasion. A great job done and for the last time as next year will see Ed Richardson, Neil Ireson and Matt Heason take over the organisation. Thank you very much for the past few years! See Fell Race article for further details of this event!

Carnival Day

This year saw a fantastic turn out to be what many people have said was the best one so far! A really lovely, relaxed atmosphere was created with the Tideswell Brass Band, a wonderful collection of fancy dress creatures arrived and of course the crowd-pleasing stunt bike show. The food and drink was once again outstanding from The Maynard, Critchclows Farm Shop and the Wild West bar.

Bouncy castles, archery, animal handling, bungee runs, ice cream, dog show, Rodeo bull, fly fishing, raffle, tombola, duck race...the list goes on! Thank you so much to everyone who helped to create such a wonderful day. Many thanks to all involved whether it was decorating a float, putting up bunting, helping on





a stall or setting up—or if you're Matt Heason, all of the above... Thank you, your help doesn't go unnoticed.

The carnival after-party was another success with great music from Millstone Grit to keep us dancing into the night and a great bar service from Thornbridge. Grindleford Primary School adorned the marquee with some amazing wild art and this year we need to say thank you to Ben Wood and Kelly Knight who organised the whole thing!

AGM

If you would like to join us for a run down on how our 'Grindleford goes Wild' carnival went this year, then do please come along to our AGM in October at The Maynard (please look out for further dates). This is an opportunity to understand the running of a carnival and the budgets that we will set for next year. We will also discuss the money raised at this year's event and how that money will be used in the village. Everyone's welcome, it's a very friendly affair! This year will also see the standing down of the current committee in order to make way for some fresh blood, without which carnival will not go ahead.

Carnival Committee

When Matilda Cooper, Jez Platts and Kate Codd agreed to take the main parts of setting up the committee in 2015 (Chair, Secretary and Treasurer) it was agreed that they would only remain in position for 3 years. If there's anyone in the village who thinks they might like to be involved in an organisational capacity, now would be a good time to join us to put your thoughts forward. The more people willing to be involved the easier it is to organise.

Equally as important to making the carnival successful is the support of the village. So if you'd just like to come and express an interest without committing to anything in particular, then you too are welcome to come along to the committee meetings.

Matilda Cooper

It's only a hill,
get over it!



1.77 km
200m elevation
11% average gradient

Sir William Hill Climb

RAISING FUNDS FOR GRINDLEFORD & EYAM PLAYGROUP
SATURDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER 2018, 5PM

Back by popular demand!
Includes the Saturday Night Hill Climb Festival,
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A FRIENDLY CYCLE-SPORTIVE
IN THE PEAK DISTRICT

3 ROUTES: 108KM - 51KM - 8.5KM

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Grindleford Community Shop

Back by popular demand...

Pop-Up Sunshine Pizza Café

5pm – 8.30pm

Friday 10th August

Grindleford Pavilion Car Park



Freshly baked, wood-fired pizzas from the Sunshine Pizza Oven to eat in or takeaway.

BYO Wine

Soft drinks available in the Pavilion

Come along, bring your friends & make an evening of it.



1st Grindleford Rainbows are looking for girls between ages 5-7 to start in a fun, lively unit.

We meet at Grindleford primary school on a Monday night between 4:45 till 6:15pm.

The subs are £20 a term but £30 for the first term for new starters.

We do lots of crafts, games and have lots of fun.

We aim to do activities away from the school and at our local Guide centres. The girls will be earning badges and will learn all about the charity that we support, Rainbows Hospice.

Please contact: - Trish Barker Unit Leader

trishrainbows@gmail.com

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Sponsored by Derbyshire Dales District Council



Our local children are a well versed in using the train from Grindleford station and showed enthusiasm and aptitude for gardening when they contributed to the array of colour on the Platform 1 garden. They displayed good knowledge of plants and of stations along the Hope Valley line. They realised the possibilities of travel and adventures by train, discovering they could (in theory) take the train from Grindleford and get to the world cup finals in Moscow within 48 hours! Many thanks to Mrs Hill and Mrs Bacon for their support and interest.

The children are going to be building an ‘insect hotel’, with the help of Tom at Brunt’s Barn, as their next wildlife friendly project and we have identified sites at



the station for this new development.

Whilst the RMT's industrial action has affected our services, (next strike day is Saturday 21st July), the Hope Valley line has benefitted from extra trains since Northern introduced the new timetable and we now have a much better service. Do check that scheduled trains are running as Northern have introduced some temporary changes which should be resolved by the end of July.

www.northernrailway.co.uk/stations/GRN

Our 'Friends of Grindleford station' group has been active in the garden and try to enhance the appearance of the station. We continue to work on the station history and have met with other station 'friends' along the Hope Valley line and with both Northern and Network Rail staff.

Learn more from www.fogs.website and www.facebook.com/Fogs.website

Kay Allinson

kay.allinson1@btinternet.com

Grindleford

Readers

Grindleford Bookworms

In June we again met with other Book Groups in Hope Valley and beyond for The Women's Prize for Fiction evening. This year it was held in Chapel en le Frith Town Hall, which was a very interesting venue. We had a great evening, particularly as the shortlisted book we presented, *Home Fire* by Kamila Shamsie, not only won the Prize nationally on the night, but was also voted the best book by our assembled group. It is the story of two very different Asian families who live in Britain and their interaction. In one both father and son become Jihadis and in the other the father becomes an MP and then Home Secretary—the book was written a year before Sajid Javid did so in real life. Much of the book's success was due to the originality of the story and the fact that it was well writ-

ten and accessible.

We have read several other books over the past few months, but the two that stand out the most are *Homo Deus* by Yuval Noah Harari and *The Establishment* by Owen Jones.

Homo Deus or A Brief History of Tomorrow is described by *The Guardian* as ‘a breathless, compulsive inquiry into humanity’s apocalyptic tech driven future’. Some humans acquire god-like attributes such as the ability to cheat death, end wars, famine and plague, but there is a price to pay. Brief it isn’t, but well worth reading if you have the stamina.

The Establishment and How They Get Away with It is written by a political commentator whose main thesis is that corporate interests are taking priority over national interests. Much of what he says most of us already knew, but he has done the research and provides the evidence. People at the bottom of the financial pyramid are hugely affected by cutbacks and austerity measures and demonised if they commit benefit fraud, whereas some big businesses and powerful individuals avoid paying their taxes and get away with it.

Book Group Too

Book Group Too has enjoyed an eclectic mix of books this year, including an epistolary novel from 1848, a re-write of *The Tempest*, a couple of tales of sadness and loss and a gripping page-turner.

We began the year, however, with poetry and one of our group, familiar with Hull and with the work of Philip Larkin, guided us skilfully through several memorable poems giving them context and helping us to unravel meaning. Anne Brontë’s *Tenant of Wildfell Hall*, highly controversial in Victorian times, was next on our list and, although a little melodramatic in places, did paint a vivid picture of the limitations suffered by many married women at that time. There was certainly plenty to discuss.

The glorious Margaret Atwood gave us a modern retelling of Shakespeare’s *The Tempest* in her lively yet touching novel *Hag Seed*. She transforms a well-known story of revenge into a modern, interesting and challenging context, a really excellent read.

Described as ‘unputdownable’, Robert Harris’s *Conclave* was a fascinating depiction of power, corruption and deceit set in the Vatican as the Cardinals gather to elect a new Pope. Laced with well-researched details about the customs and rituals of the Catholic Church, this novel was thought-provoking and enthralling, proving to be unputdownable!

Ellie and Clare

Hope Valley

Renewables

Hope Valley Renewables is a brand new social enterprise established to promote the installation of renewable energy generating capacity in the Hope Valley. We are aiming to install solar panels where small to medium sized organisations can use the electricity generated on site and are currently looking for our first site. Both Derbyshire County Council and the Peak District National Park are supporting us.

How will it work?

Organisations that agree to host solar panel installations will get electricity for less than the grid price at no up-front cost to them. We will sort out planning consent, installation and maintenance. As long as the site is not shaded and faces in roughly the right direction solar panels can generally be installed on most roofs or on the ground (as at the Angler's Rest in Bamford).

What's the benefit?

The price of solar panels has come down hugely in the last few years and electricity prices continue to rise so solar panels make increasing economic sense. We plan to share that benefit between the site where the panels are installed, the investors who are providing the funds and the local people via a community benefit fund.

It's not all about money though. The host organisation will have been responsible for CO2 emissions savings of typically around 9 tonnes per year. We are concerned about the level of climate change caused by our CO2 emissions which can be massively reduced by generating clean energy close to where it's need. Apart from the CO2 emissions from burning fossil fuels, did you know that as much as 30% of the electricity generated in remote power stations is lost in the transmission network before it gets to you?

Possible further developments

This model for installing solar PV is tried and tested and could in theory be extended to other forms of renewable energy generation. Other possible developments would be the addition of batteries to allow the storage of energy generated during daylight hours for use later in the day, if and when the technology develops. We are also interested in funding energy saving measures such as insulation or LED lighting.

Next steps

If you are involved in a building which might act as host for solar panel installations or if you would like to get involved in the project, please get in touch with us to discuss this further.

Jeremy Wight, mandyjeremy@yahoo.co.uk or 07803507079

David Hughes, hughesonline@btinternet.com or 07983363189

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Neighbourhood Watch

Derbyshire Police and Crime Commissioner, Hardyal Dhindsa, was in Derbyshire Dales area on Tuesday 19th June to talk to residents about any local concern or issues as part of his tour of 383 locations in Derbyshire. Outside the Grindleford Community Shop he listened to individuals and heard general concerns about the noise made by the weekend raves, parking problems and speeding, before moving on to Hathersage. It seems clear that this Commissioner is keen to meet the needs of rural, suburban and urban environments to provide policing to suit this diversity, and involve communities in helping to keep the place safe from criminal harm. The PCC's website is www.derbyshire-pcc.gov.uk.

By now we are aware that traditional crimes such as burglary and car theft are much less prevalent than they once were. But new types of criminal activity have sprung up to replace them, and these new crimes require new solutions if they are to be tackled effectively. Among the problems of concern for society are now: domestic abuse—which we know affects **all** communities, serious violence—particularly knife crime, vulnerability and loneliness—affecting more people as families become more mobile, fraud and scams—electronic and traditional, high harm crimes—modern slavery, child sexual exploitation etc. Now a new campaign, Action Counters Terrorism, asks for reporting of any suspicious activity you have seen or heard, including on social media, something that could suggest a terrorist threat to the UK: do not ignore it, report it online (act.campaign.gov.uk).

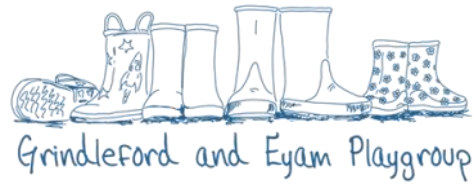
‘Scamwatch’ is a particular project funded by the Police and Crime Commissioner for Derbyshire. The aim is to raise awareness, particularly amongst older residents, of the potential harmful effects of mass-marketing, internet, doorstep and telephone scams, and to provide one-to-one advice and support where potential scam/fraud victims are identified. **Tell a trusted friend, relative or neighbour, make them aware.**

Prevention is key, and strong communities where people know and look out for their neighbours are an excellent route to crime prevention. In fact, tackling loneliness and vulnerability is now a priority for the government as a way of reducing crime and building safer neighbourhoods. In 2017 the government even created a Minister for Loneliness.

In Grindleford there have in the last twelve months been incidents recorded of burglary, common damage, and road safety issues. Indeed CREST (Casualty Reduction Education Support Team) now has named Calver and Grindleford as a Community Concern Site (www.crestderbyshire.org/in-the-community/community-concern-sites).

Recently our local PCSOs have launched a Facebook page which is ‘used to update the public on what we are doing, appeals for information, success stories, events plus other useful community information’ (www.facebook.com/BakewellSNT). But please do not use this for the reporting of crime. That should be done via 999 or 101 as appropriate.

Peter Hutchinson



It's almost the end of term and a great time to look back at the amazing times we've had.

The children have flourished throughout the year thanks to our wonderful team who have found exciting and innovative ways to challenge and engage – whatever the weather.

In the Autumn term we enjoyed traditional crafts mixed with a little mud.



Spring brought snow - time for hot chocolate and marshmallows round the fire.



We enjoy our Monday visit to the community shop and the grounds of St. Helen's Church where we can see the seasonal changes including these beautiful daffodils.

There is always a warm welcome for the children as they buy their snack and a bag of frozen peas for the ducks.

The Summer term has brought sunshine and the children have been enjoying the wonderful weather. Water play and ice cubes helped keep everyone cool.



If you would like your child to experience some GEP magic - it's not too late to book a place on our summer forest school. Children aged 3-11 can join us for a morning in the woods, £25 per session.

Email gepsupervisor@hotmail.com for more information.



Looking forward to the new school year and our first fundraiser – the Sir William Hill Climb on Saturday 22nd September.

The first event of the day is the kids grass track time trial and it's time to get practising.

With age categories to suit everyone – under-4, under-6, under-8, under-10 plus 12 and under – we hope you'll want to take part.

And finally – for all of us who remember the swinging 60's – which iconic TV series does this remind you of?





New Grindleford Youth Club.

Are looking for young people (year 6 and above) to join the youth club on Wednesday nights in school term between 7pm till 8:30 pm.

It costs £1 for entrance money and there is a tuck shop as well, where snacks and drinks are sold.

Activities are varied and are chosen by the youth of the club and there are also activities organised away from the Pavilion termly.

Any questions please email or phone

Many thanks, Ian Barker: - Youth club chair.

Youthclubgrindleford@gmail.com 01433 639330

GRINDLEFORD JUNIORS FC.

We're looking for children for the football teams: - Under 8s, Under 10s for the season 2018/2019

To join you don't have to have previous experience with playing football, the coaches are level 1 FA qualified and all DBS checked.

Training is done on Friday evening between 4 and 5pm. Matches are played on a Sunday morning kick off usually 9:30am.

It costs £40 per season, football kit provided.

We have a trophy presentation at the end of the season, which is when we have a fundraising match.

Any questions please get in touch.

Club chair: - Ian Barker

01433 639330

grindleford.juniors@gmail.com

Eyam Surgery

Church Street, Eyam, Hope Valley S32 5QH
 Telephone: 01433 630836 Fax: 01433 631832

Consultation times updated 2nd July 2018
 Eyam Surgery is open from 8.00am until 6.30pm

If you need an emergency appointment please inform the receptionist

Monday	9.00am until 11.30am 4.30pm until 7.10pm	Dr Evans Dr Goodwin
Tuesday	9.00am until 11.20am 12.10pm until 5.30pm 3.00pm until 5.30pm	Dr Evans Physiotherapist Dr Evans
Wednesday	9.00am until 11.30am 3.30pm until 6.00pm 5.10pm until 6.10pm	Dr Checkland Dr Checkland Dr Goodwin
Thursday	8.30am until 11.00am 9.30am until 12.30pm 9.00am until 12.20pm 1.00pm until 6.00pm	Dr Goodwin Citizens Advice Bureau (Alternate weeks) Midwife (Alternate weeks) Counsellor
Friday	8.30am until 10.30am 9.00am until 11.30am 9.20am until 1.00pm 3.00pm until 5.30pm	Dr Goodwin Dr Pelc Podiatrist Dr Pelc

Practice Nurse, HCA, Telephone call and Triage appointments are available every day.

Bakewell & Eyam Community Transport operates on alternate Tuesdays and Wednesdays every week, 11.30am – 12.30pm. Please ring Reception to make an appointment for the Mini-Bus clinic.

Grindleford Patients

Monday	12.00pm until 1.00pm	Dr Goodwin
Mini bus collection from home to be brought to Eyam Surgery and then back home.		
Thursday	12.00pm until 1.00pm	Dr Goodwin
Mini bus collection from home to be brought to Eyam Surgery and then back home.		

Medication Information

Eyam Surgery is open for medication collection between 8.00am and 6.30pm every day.

Dispensary is open from 8.30am until 6.30pm.

Remember, reception can be extremely busy in the mornings therefore you may have to wait.

Bradwell Surgery is open for medication collection:

Mondays 9.00am – 12.00pm

Tuesdays 8.30am-11.30am

Wednesdays 8.30am – 12.00pm

Thursdays 9am – 12.00pm & 2.30pm - 6.30pm

Fridays 9.00am – 12.00pm & 4.30pm - 5.00pm

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**Medication can be collected from The Sir William Hotel, Grindleford:
Every day (except Wednesday) from 12.00pm -12.30pm**

If you require medication urgently when we are closed please take your prescription to the nearest pharmacist (a list of late/weekend opening pharmacists are detailed in the local paper). If you have no prescription, then call 111 for their advice or present yourself to the nearest A&E department.

For repeat prescriptions please ring 01433 631628 any day (Monday to Friday) between 10.00am and 12.00pm or 2.00pm and 4.00pm or fax your request to 01433 631832. You can also email us on prescriptions.eyamsurgery@nhs.net; drop the white slip in the post to us at the above address or bring it along to any of the surgeries. There is also a link on our website (www.eyamsurgery.co.uk) to the prescription e-mail account.

We require a full 48 hours to process all prescription requests. Any orders placed after 4pm will not be ready for 48 hours from the following day. This includes e-mail requests.

We now have the facility for patients to directly order their repeat medication and make appointments online with “Patient Access”. Please bring photo ID to reception and we’ll issue you with password and instructions.



St Helen's Church

News

Latest altar frontals and Church seasons

The church year, its festivals and its seasons, are each marked by one of four main liturgical colours: white, red, green, and purple. You will see them change throughout the year in St Helen's. In the last edition of *Grindleford News* I wrote about the white set of tapestry panels that were hanging in the church from Easter Day onwards: those on the altar, behind the altar, hanging from the bookrest on the pulpit, and the bookmark on the lectern. Well, after one day of our red set on Pentecost Sunday (20 May) they are now green, and will be until they change to red on All Saints' Day (1 November). Green Liturgical Colours can still be used as an alternative to red between All Saints' Day and the First Sunday of Advent (2 December), but I expect we will go for our dramatic red panels by then as the green countryside scenes will probably be out of kilter with the autumn weather. So, there's plenty of time to go into the church to see the green ones, which are evocative representations of country landscapes and summer garden and meadow flowers, with thread and sequins that sparkle when



the sun catches them. If you attend one of our services you will also be able to see the liturgical colour changes echoed in the band of cloth (the stole) that the priest wears around the neck with the ends hanging down...and all those who minister in St Helen's

have something different!

Our frontals were designed and made in 1986 by Juliet Hemingway. Have a look at her website to see the stunning array of church textiles she has created, each a masterpiece of symbolism, design, and embroidery: www.church-textiles.co.uk.

You are connected

There were some mysterious goings on in St Helen's Church a few months ago, which spooked me out at first until I got used to them. I've heard people telling stories of how God came to them in a particular moment and how they suddenly heard him speaking to them and guiding them, but I can't say that's ever really happened to me. But, well after the service one Sunday morning in April, as I was sitting poring over some church records in the choir pews next to the altar, looking for information, help, and inspiration, I heard a ding and felt a buzz in my pocket. I'd got an iPhone for Christmas and was still figuring out how it worked, so I got up, took it out my pocket, and stood in front of the altar where the sun shines to read the screen. I'd received a new notification (I'm learning the jargon!), which said: "You're connected". I looked up at the cross and around me, baffled, and a bit unnerved, and thinking that this is one of those moments when Divine inspiration is coming to me from above...and in a modern way. Then I realised that my phone had hooked up to Grindleford Shop's wifi connection in the nearby vestry!

Peak Pilgrimages

The Peak Pilgrimage season is well upon us

(www.peakpilgrimage.org.uk).

Since it was devised and launched by a group of Derby priests, who are well known locally and have their Pilgrimage base in Eyam, we have seen steadily rising numbers of pilgrims visiting Grindleford church on their route. Until Claire Balding from BBC Radio 4's Ramblings visited in 2016 we'd largely had individuals and couples, but we've noticed more small groups now arriving from further afield. In



the last few months, the groups have been getting bigger. In May, over 30 people associated with Eyam and Baslow churches descended on us and made good use of the community shop. Just in the last couple of weeks we've had another

large group, and a contingent from a group which started at Derby Hospital doing a “Walk for Life” to promote organ donation (www.organdonation.nhs.uk) and raise money for kidney dialysis and kidney respite care. One of them had had a kidney transplant, one a liver transplant, and one’s wife had had a double lung transplant. They were easily noticed as they walked down from Haywood in their pink T-shirts to get their guidebooks stamped and stickered at the church before continuing on to their final stop in Eyam.

Pastoral care

The support and services of our church are available to all who live in our parish, whether you attend church or not. If you think that you or somebody you know might benefit from a phone call, visit or chat from our Vicar, or one of our congregation, then please phone Rev Jude Davis (208905) or email James Allen (dricja@gmail.com). We welcome any enquiries, so even if you are just curious about who we are and what we do, or have visitors who may want to join us on Sundays, then get in touch.

Time out

The church is open the same daily hours as the shop for prayer and quiet contemplation. You’d be surprised how the quiet and cool inside can be just the thing when you want a few moments to yourself during the day or on your way home after work.

James Allen
Churchwarden

Grindleford

Gaiters

Grindleford Gaiters have enjoyed some good walks in this fine weather and appreciated good displays of wild flowers.

Walking in and above Coombs Dale we saw quite a few Early Purple Orchids.



Walking around the area of Water-cum-Jolly we came across these Southern Marsh Orchids



If you want to join us to enjoy walking with the Gaiters with the opportunity to see the wild flowers; we walk every other Thursday, generally meeting outside St Helen's church at 9:30am. Most walks are typically about 5 miles; so you will need to be fit enough to walk this distance over Peak District terrain, such as moorland and rocky paths. You should also be suitably equipped and bring a hot drink or water. At the end of our walks we enjoy a good lunch at a local hostelry.

Keep walking!

Tim Reynolds 630023

Peak District Appeal

The trees of the Peak District need your help, says National Trust ranger Tom Harman.

“The woodlands around Dovedale are under threat from Ash Dieback disease, whilst in the High Peak we’re trying to plant more trees to bring back the upland clough woodlands that would have been here centuries ago,” he said.

The National Trust and its volunteers have already planted over 100,000 young trees in the High Peak’s cloughs and valleys in recent years, and the charity has now launched its ‘Peak District Appeal’ to encourage lovers of the National Park to contribute to the landscape by donating and fundraising for the Peak District’s trees.

The year’s target is to raise £50,000 to support planting and maintaining trees and woodlands, and to help establish a native tree nursery at Longshaw, where young broad leaf species will be nurtured from local seeds ready to be planted out around the Peak District.

“As well as helping us plant trees to benefit visitors and wildlife now, it’s about managing these woodlands for the future,” said Tom Harman.

Without the land use practices of the past few hundred years, the Peak District would naturally have a lot more woodland than it does now, and it’ll be a long



National Trust project officer for the High Peak Tom Harman checking growth in the new woodlands above Howden reservoir.

term process to change that, said Tom, National Trust project officer for the High Peak.

“If you could see time-lapse pictures of the High Peak Moors over the coming decades, we hope you’d see more and more native species like oak, birch, holly, haw-

thorn, rowan, aspen and alder, spreading up the valleys and into the steep cloughs below the moors.”

There are already examples, where areas were fenced off in the past to prevent sheep eating young trees. Now little woods of birch, oak and rowan are thriving on the valley sides, with recovering wildflowers like foxgloves and even bluebells growing in the shade.

Bob James was part of the team helping new woodlands get established on the Derwent valley sides in the 1980s.

“It’s absolutely tremendous to see these woods here now, and it’s very humbling to think that you’ve been part of it,” he said.

Small hillside woods, along with trees and shrubs establishing themselves in the ‘transitional habitats’ on moorland edges, will encourage insects like green hairstreak butterflies and bilberry bumblebees, said ecologist Chris Wood, along with birds like ring ouzels, pied flycatchers, stonechats, nightjars and maybe even the rare black grouse.

And trees growing along moorland streams should also increase fish species and help provide homes for scarce water voles.

Tom said a donation of £10 to the Peak District Appeal would pay for a new tree sapling, sheep guard and stake, but would also lead to a whole family of trees over time.

“When the conditions are right, a young tree will set seed and you could see over a dozen trees growing in the future from one sapling,” said Tom. Areas that were fenced to prevent sheep nibbling away young shoots in the past have seen planted saplings growing alongside ‘natural regeneration’—trees growing after birds have dropped seeds, or when seeds or acorns from the new saplings have taken root.

“The clough woodlands also help to slow water flow off the moors and reduce flash flooding,” said Tom, “and as they grow they’ll even help clean pollutants in the air blowing into Sheffield.”

Retired ranger Bob James says the Peak District is the jewel in the crown of Sheffield and Manchester. “People come out and marvel at such a landscape on their doorstep. It’s that fact they really need to take on board, and try to protect for future generations.”

More info: www.nationaltrust.org.uk/PeakDistrictAppeal

David Bocking for the NT

In the Archives

Grindleford History

Grindleford Bridge is Falling Down!

17th September 1706.

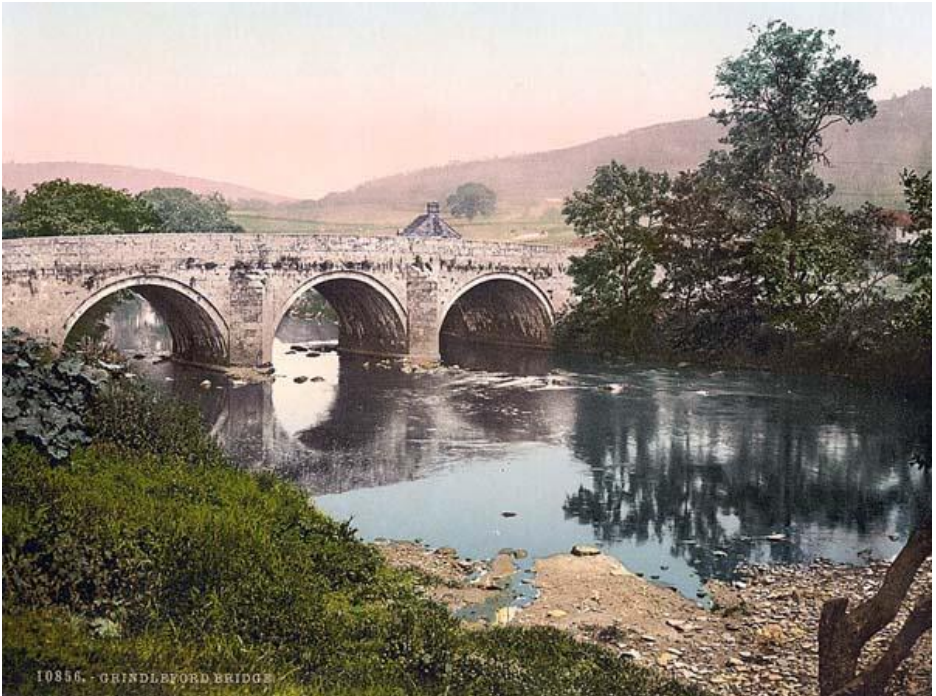
There was a great flood at 12 o'clock which brought down sheaves of corn.

It was a quarter of a yard high in the lower parlour.

None living ever saw such a flood.

It began to rain at 4 o'clock yesternight, 29" higher than ever by the mark on the mill stoop.

It took Grindleford Bridge down.



A postcard of Grindleford Bridge from the 1930s.

This is an entry taken from Baslow Parish Register. In 1706, Baslow Ecclesiastical Parish took in parts of what is now the Civil Parish of Grindleford.

Grindleford Bridge is first documented in 1577, but there is evidence that an earlier wooden structure existed. The present bridge was built around 1758, presumably to replace the one taken down by the 1706 flood. Underneath the arches you can see where the ashlar blocks were joined at a later date when the bridge was widened.

The village became to be known unofficially as Grindleford Bridge, a name used in county directories and on maps until the early 1940s.

WW1 Commemorations

As you will read in the Parish Council Notes below, a number of events are planned to commemorate the end of World War 1. The pupils at Grindleford School are playing an important part in this, with performances of their musical play *Tin Hats and Telegrams* on the 22nd October. They will also have a special assembly devoted to the lessons of the Great War.

On Armistice Day itself, Sunday November 11th, each year group will be laying wreaths at the War Memorial. If there are any children from the village who don't attend Grindleford School but who would like to take part, they will be most welcome to join in. Please contact Beccy Ibbotson at the school (t: 630528; e: beccy@grindlefordprimaryschool.co.uk) or myself (t: 639683; e: petejane@btinternet.com).

Peter O'Brien

Parish Councillor and School Governor

Parish Council Notes

WORLD WAR 1 ARMISTICE CENTENARY COMMEMORATION

The Parish Council are planning a series of events to be held in the village in November this year to mark this important nationwide commemoration marking the Centenary of the end of the First World War and paying tribute to the millions killed or wounded in battle, and those on the home front who struggled amidst pain and loss to help ensure freedom survived. In particular, to remem-

ber the 16 servicemen of Grindleford who gave their lives in the conflict and are commemorated on our War Memorial.

So far the following events are planned:

- Remembrance Day Service at St. Helen's Church followed by the commemoration at the War Memorial on Sunday 11th November, where 16 wreaths will be laid in honour of the Grindleford servicemen. We would like representatives of village clubs and societies to lay wreaths, which will be provided by the Council. Please contact the Clerk if you would like to take part in this.
- Pupils at Grindleford School will perform a short musical play, called 'Tin Hats and Telegrams'. They will have two public performances on Monday 22 October, one at 2pm and one at 6pm.
- A concert will be held in St Helen's Church on the evening of Saturday 10th November featuring the Grindleford Singers and local musicians.
- A beacon will be lit on Jubilee Hill on 11/11th at 7.05am as part of the national chain of Beacons of Light.
- A special screening of the classic Richard Attenborough film *Oh! What a Lovely War* (starring Maggie Smith, John Gielgud, Kenneth More, Laurence Olivier, Vanessa Redgrave, Nanette Newman) at 8pm on Friday 9 November, at the Sir William Hotel.

Further details will be advertised nearer to the times of the events.

Please contact the Clerk of the Parish Council if you would like to take an active part in the proposed events, especially the wreath laying ceremony.

Website. There is a page on the Grindleford.com website where the public can freely access Parish Council documents, including minutes of meetings, agenda and financial information. This makes the Council compliant with current legislation.

The Parish Council meets every second Thursday of the month at 7.30pm in the Bishop Pavilion. Residents wishing to raise any matters are given the opportunity to speak at the start of the meeting. Anyone wishing to do so should please contact either the Chairman, Robert Wilson on 01433 631517 or the Clerk, Alan Jacques 01433 631586 grindleparish@gmail.com prior to the meeting.

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Clerk to the Council.

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Useful Websites:

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Check out all the activities going on in our pre-school and primary school:
www.grindlefordandeyamplaygroup.org.uk and
www.grindlefordprimaryschool.co.uk

Finally, don't forget the village has its own website where you can find out about what is going on locally and post details of your own events:
www.grindleford.com

Any News?

If there's anything you feel should be covered in the next issue, please send an item to the editor, Tim Shephard, at grindlefordnews@gmail.com.

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