

Middleton Tyas and Moulton Village News

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Are you ready to go digital?

Only a few months left now for analogue TV in the North East. Although most people already have digital on at least one household set, there is still plenty of time for those who have yet to make the switch, which happens in September. The Switchover Help Scheme, which offers help to older viewers and those who need extra support, will be writing to all eligible people in the next few weeks. Digital UK's regional team will be on hand to provide help and advice to anyone who needs it and will be working with local councils, charities and other bodies to ensure that everyone is ready for switchover.

Latest research suggests around 20% of households in the North East are still watching analogue services on at least one set – even though most people have digital on their main TVs. Digital UK is therefore reminding viewers to check out all their sets, including those in bedrooms, kitchens – and even garden sheds – before the September switch.

Dates you need to remember are **12 September 2012**, when BBC 2 analogue transmission will be switched off and **26 September**, when analogue transmission of all other TV services will be switched off.

You can keep up-to-date with what's happening on Facebook on [DigitalUKTyneTeess](#) or follow Digital UK on twitter.

For technical advice and information about how to convert individual televisions to digital, please contact the **Digital UK Advice Line** on **08456 50 50 50** or visit digitaluk.co.uk.

For advice about the **Digital Switchover Help Scheme** call **0800 40 85 900** or visit helpscheme.co.uk.

MIDDLETON TYAS VILLAGE SHOP NEWS

Tel: 377198 Open Monday to Friday 8.00 – 6.00, Saturday 8.30 – 1.00

Make it your shop and make your voice count.

Hurrah! This is the month when we can start to look for signs of spring! It's when a young man's fancy (or not such a young man's and women's thoughts might be following the same direction) turns to thoughts of love!

And we're right there to help you. 14 February is the day you have to remember – **Valentine's Day**. We have a range of cards, boxes of chocolates and one quick way to melt your beloved's heart:-

LOVE BARS

Sums up the message in a delicious Belgian chocolate bar from Belfine for only £1.10.

**BACK IN STOCK!
A REAL TREAT FOR WHEAT-SENSITIVE CUSTOMERS AND ALL ROUND DELICIOUS:**

**CRIMBLE'S COCONUT
MACAROONS £1.50
CRIMBLE'S CHOCOLATE
MACAROONS £1.72**

Shop Draw

It's time to renew your membership of the Shop Draw. Prizes of £30, £20 and £10 are drawn every month). Forms are available in the shop. New members are very welcome. A much better bet than the Lottery!

You might think it's impossible to get excited about crispbreads but these are really special!

GOURMET THINS

Scandanavian crispbreads

- With sesame seeds
 - With wheat and oats
- £2.43**

MONDIVINO CRACKERS

- Spicy Moroccan seed and Nut
 - Crème Fraiche and Spring Onion
- £2.43**

Still managing three alcohol-free days a week? This will make it a whole lot easier!

**SPARKLING RUBICON
MANGO JUICE**

A real bargain at 89p

Middleton Tyas

Preserves

In stock now:

- Lemon Marmalade
- Breakfast Preserve (Apple and citrus fruits)
- Four Fruit Marmalade
- Seville Orange Marmalade
- Dark Orange Marmalade
- Tangerine and Grapefruit Marmalade

News from the parish council

Village precept

A precept of £5900 for the year 2012-13 was agreed at our meeting on 11 January. This means there is no increase, as has been the case for the last few years, despite cuts in services by both NYDC and RDC.

Village website

The village website is now up and running, so please visit it and see what you think. You can find it at www.middletontyas.org.uk.

Moulton matters

Moulton Parish Meeting

A meeting of the Moulton Parish Meeting will be held on Wednesday 8 February at 7.30 in St Andrew's Church. The main item to be discussed will be an application from the new owner of Moulton Grange Farm to develop the derelict area. There are proposed changes to the permission granted in 2009.

Full plans and surveys will be available at the meeting or alternatively may be viewed on line at www.richmondshire.gov.uk or at the Richmond Community Office, Dundas Street, Richmond.

Bookswaps

Some advance notice.....Bookswaps will recommence in March. Watch out for the notice next month and the appearance of the banner in the village.

John Gentry

Chairman, Moulton Parish Meeting

School report

A warm welcome

We start the year by welcoming a new teacher, Miss Louise Wright, who is covering the maternity leave in Turnbull's Timelords, and saying goodbye to Mrs Holly Simpson. Mrs Simpson taught in a number of year groups and was our music specialist before going on maternity leave last February. We are sorry to be losing her but wish her well in the future.

Also a huge welcome to our new cook, Mrs Karen Wasden. We are really looking forward to her getting to know the children and staff and cooking us some stunning meals.

Christmas Extravaganza

A very big Thank You to everyone who came along and supported the Christmas shopping night. Several local businesses came to exhibit

their goods and many parents and members of the local community showed their support by attending the event. They enjoyed a glass of mulled wine and mince pies whilst having the opportunity to buy that special Christmas gift or card.

The whole evening was a huge success and the new PTA are delighted to report that the event raised almost £3000.

School 100 Club

We are currently looking for support for the School 100 Club. This is a major fundraiser for the school and we would ask that if you can possibly support us, please do! It costs just £20 for the year and the draw is held in school around the 18th of each month. The next draw is due in February. Entry forms are available from the school office or please contact Helen Richardson at hrichardson@middletontyas.n-yorks.sch.uk for further details.

Heritage Week display

Last term, with the very generous help of the community, the children spent a week exploring the history of Middleton Tyas. We held two open days in school to share the superb work the children produced which, we are delighted to announce, will be on display at The Station in Richmond from Friday 10 February. Please do go and see this magnificent display. Our grateful thanks to Irene Lofthouse and the staff at The Station for allowing us to share this fascinating work with the wider community.

Challenge Award

We are delighted to share our achievement in gaining the 'Challenge Award'. It highlights lots of things that we are very proud of. We are particularly delighted that the report celebrates how we cater for all our children as individuals and also what a strong partnership we have with our parents. We are only the second school in North Yorkshire to gain this award. A big Thank You to Mrs Gardner for all her efforts in putting our application together and to our wonderful pupils for all their hard work.

Diary date

As part of the fund-raising programme for an outdoor classroom the school PTA are pleased to announce that there will be a James Bond themed Spring Ball (with a fabulous silent auction) on Thursday 29 March at Middleton Lodge. Further details to follow next month or please contact Helen Richardson on

hrichardson@middletontyas.n-yorks.sch.uk for more information.

*Helen Richardson
Parent Governor*

Teaching in The Gambia

During October half term I was lucky enough to be asked to teach in this interesting African country. As we left cold and damp Heathrow airport I couldn't help feeling a little nervous about what I would encounter. The country was lush and green having just come out of the rainy season.

The schools where we were teaching were massive (up to 7000 pupils in each) and worked two shifts during the day. Teaching took place in English with just a blackboard and very few resources. There were up to 60 children in each class, which was a very tight squeeze. I loved the teaching and meeting lots of new people and came away feeling very privileged to be where I am.

My fantastic young enterprise group called BINC had given me £90 of their earned profits to help children in Gambia go to school. With this money we were able to fully sponsor a five-year-old child for one year and buy uniforms for two years.

The charity I worked for is called 'Yorkshire to Gambia Education Trust' and is planning numerous future events to help improve education for Gambian children. What an experience!

B M Price

**MIDDLETON TYAS VILLAGE SHOP
A Special General Meeting will be held at
Middleton Tyas Primary School
On Thursday 8 March at 7.30**

The purpose of the meeting is to receive a report on progress from the group appointed at the meeting on 9 December to put together a plan for the management and future development of the shop's activities after the AGM in April 2012, when the current management team intends to stand down..

Non-shareholders, as well as shareholders, are invited to this meeting and are welcome to speak. Only shareholders may vote.

Coffee Morning Saturday 4 February 10-12:00 Memorial Hall

The Craft Group invites you to this special money-raiser to help Mutake School in Harare, Zimbabwe, chosen from many other schools there that are also in great need, by a Zimbabwean lady living in Richmond who visits her homeland annually. She will show photos of the pupils in their classroom, and explain their needs, and what she has achieved to-date.

For our part, we have happily been sewing, knitting etc. items to sell to raise money. Please come and browse and perhaps buy something from the wide range of items we have made - bags to bunting, toys to tabards, scarves to scrap books, balls to blankets, spectacle cases to shoe bags, necklaces ... hats ... lavender bags ... finger puppets ... etc.

**Entry £2 for coffee and biscuits.
Children 50p.**

There will be a raffle.

Carol Singing

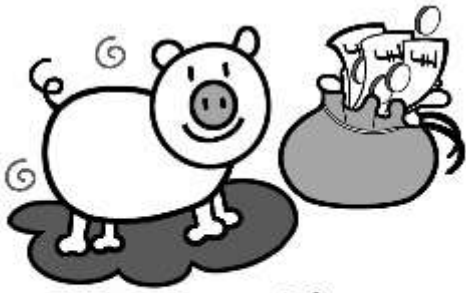
A very big thank you to all who once again braved the cold to sing carols around the village and for those who gave generously towards Memorial Hall and Church Funds. The total raised amounted to £1500 and included matched funding from Barclays Bank.

Peter Nimmins

More sporting prowess

Congratulations to another young Middleton Tyas sportman:

Daniel Potts, a student at Barnard Castle School, plays county rugby and has been selected for the North of England team. He has also been asked to play with Newcastle Falcons under 19's Academy team.



Operation Piggy Bank

Thank you , thank you , thank you to all you generous people who have promised so generously and imaginatively for the Auction of Promises. Now all you have to do is come to the auction, bring your friends and bid, bid, bid. Catalogues have been distributed to every house in Middleton Tyas and Moulton but, if you slipped through the net, there are still copies available in the shop and the catalogue is also on the village website. Just click on the Friends of the Shop page on www.middletontyas.org.uk

11 February, 7.00 for 7.30 in the Memorial Hall. That's the date you want in your diary for a fun-filled evening with an entertainer, wine and savouries as well as the auction. Tickets are just £6 and are available from the post office now . Not available on 11 February? There are some great promises being offered in a silent auction and you can pre-bid for any lot you like and a designated pre-bidder will bid on your behalf at the auction to your stipulated maximum. Full details of how to do this in the catalogue.

See you at the auction!

Great British Fish and Chip Supper – Friday 18 May

Want to do something different for charity? Want to eat Fish and Chips while you're raising money? Hold a fish and chip supper on Friday 18th May 2012 whilst raising awareness of spinal cord injury and supporting the Spinal Injuries Association's information and support services.

You could hold a fish and chip supper at home, at work, in the Memorial Hall or at any other venue of your choice. That's what 100 groups did last year and raised £6000 in the process. Just order the fish and chips, add £5 per head and invite your friends. The Spinal Injuries

Association will be happy to provide a fundraising pack containing hints and tips, recipes, invitations and donation envelopes. The money raised from the suppers will help the Spinal Injuries Association offer support to individuals who become paralysed and their families, from the moment a spinal injury occurs, and for the rest of their lives by providing services and publications which enable and encourage paralysed people to lead independent lives.

For more information or to request a fundraising pack call Elizabeth Wright on 0845 071 4350 or email fishandchips@spinal.co.uk or visit www.spinal.co.uk/fishandchips

'I wish there was somebody to help me.'

Well, now there is. Stuart and Jennifer McCall, based in Gilling West, offer a daily support service to help you with a whole range of activities which you may be too busy, disinclined or not able to do for yourself.

These include housework, minor household repairs, meal preparation and home baking, looking after people of all ages while their carer is doing something else, looking after your home while you are away, including attending to animals, and a dog-walking service.

Outside, they are happy to take care of any garden maintenance you need from giving the lawn a quick trim to creating an organic vegetable garden for you from scratch.

Managing to get to outpatient appointments, trips to the doctor or dentist or even shopping can sometimes be a real problem. Stuart and Jennifer provide a door-to-door service and will, if you wish, come with you and provide any support you need.

Services are available as and when you need them or on a regular basis and timescales and charges are always agreed with you at the outset. The aim is to provide exactly what you want in a way that is most cost-effective to you. All services are offered at £10 per hour per plus petrol costs where applicable. To keep costs down for people who would like more than

one service on a daily basis, a price is calculated which reflects just the time involved rather than the number of services provided.

If you would like to talk to Stuart and Jennifer about how they could help you contact them on: 01748 850631 or 07557 096 526.

WI

Some prospective members are exploring the possibility of setting up a new branch of the WI in Middleton Tyas and Moulton. Talks with representatives from Yorkshire Head Office of the WI to discuss possibilities are taking place during the week beginning 23 January. If you would like to know more contact Clare Holdstock on 339183.

Bus timetable

Richmond - Darlington						
Monday to Saturday (not Bank Holidays)						
Service No	X34	X34	X34	X34	X34	34A
Richmond, Market Place	0735	0935	1135	1335	1535	---
Brompton-on-Swale, River Lane	0745	0945	1145	1345	1545	---
Catterick, The Angel	0750	0950	1150	1350	1550	---
Catterick, Marine Barracks	0752	0952	1152	1352	1552	1705
Scorton, The White Haller	0802	1002	1202	1402	---	---
Moulton, Moulton Village	0807	1007	1207	1407	---	---
Middleton Tyas, Shoulder of Mutton	0812	1012	1212	1412	---	---
Scotch Corner	0814	1014	1214	1414	---	---
Darlington, Tubwell Row	0829	1029	1229	1429	---	1735

Darlington - Richmond						
Monday to Saturday (not Bank Holidays)						
Code	Sch NSch					
Darlington, Vicarage Road	---	---	---	---	1620	---
Darlington, Tubwell Row	0835	1035	1235	1435	1625	1740
Scotch Corner	0850	1050	1250	1450	1640	1755
Middleton Tyas, Shoulder of Mutton	0853	1053	1253	1453	1643	1758
Moulton, Village	0858	1058	1258	1458	1648	1803
Scorton, The Green	0903	1103	1303	1503	1653	1808
Catterick, Marine Barracks	0913	1113	1313	1513	1703	1818
Catterick, The Angel	0915	1115	1315	1515	---	1820
Brompton-on-Swale, River Lane	0920	1120	1320	1520	---	1825
Richmond, Market Place	0930	1130	1330	1531	---	1836

NOTES:
Sch School days
NSch Runs during school holidays except Bank Holidays

Don't forget

The new number for non-emergency calls to the police is **101**. The current non-emergency number 0845 60 60 24 7 will continue to be in place and will be gradually be phased out. **999** is still the number for emergency calls.

Soroptomist International (Richmond & Dales)

is proud to present

Call My Bluff – an evening of nostalgia and fun, in aid of the women of Zimbabwe

Saturday 11 February 2012 7.30

Aldbrough St John Village Hall

Tickets £5 to include light supper

From Sandra Frier 01325 710469 or 0791 917 6705

Editor's corner

First of all, I'm so sorry about the total mess I made of the church page last month. Those of you who looked on the village website will have seen the correct version: the paper version though contained, quite randomly, the church page for January 2011. I have no idea how it happened but it was obviously 'operator error' and I'm very sorry for the frustration and inconvenience I know it caused.

Not a good moment, perhaps, to ask you for donations for the Village News but we do seriously need your support. Cheques to Middleton Tyas and Moulton Village News or cash are very welcome.

Copy for the March issue please by 20 February to 2 The Green, tel 377311 or e-mail me at dianathomas@gmail.com.

Claiming dates

February

Saturday 4 February Coffee Morning and Craft Sale

Wednesday 8 February 7.00 Parish Council meeting

Saturday 11 February 7.00 for 7.30 Operation Piggybank Auction of Promises

June

Saturday 2 and Sunday 3 June Diamond Jubilee Village Gala.

All events are in the Memorial Hall unless otherwise stated.

Church News

Letter from Venerable Simon Golding

Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, the 22 February. In the introduction to the Liturgy for that day we are given the following guidance:

“Brothers and sisters in Christ, since early days Christians have observed with great devotion the time of our Lord's passion and resurrection. It became the custom of the Church to prepare for this by a season of penitence and fasting. At first this season of Lent was observed by those who were preparing for Baptism at Easter and by those who were to be restored to the Church's fellowship from which they had been separated through sin. In course of time the Church came to recognize that, by a careful keeping of these days, all Christians might take to heart the call to repentance and the assurance of forgiveness proclaimed in the gospel, and so grow in faith and in devotion to our Lord.”

This is an introduction to our Lent course for 2012. I am sure that by the time we get to the Olympics in August we will have heard more information that we can digest about the Games. The York Course this year picks up the Olympic theme of Handing on the Torch. The flame for the Games will be kindled on Mount Olympus and then transported by a variety of means to London. We will be most familiar with the carrying of the Olympic Torch by the series of runners that will criss-cross the United Kingdom, passing no further than 10 miles from every community.

One of the most exciting events of the Games is the final of the 4 x 100 metres relay race. Despite all the hours of training the result depends upon the safe transfer of the baton on three occasions to ensure that it is carried from start to finish. Passing the Baton, like Handing on the Torch, means that each stage is as important as every other one and that the concept of an unbroken transmission is maintained and guaranteed. In church terms it is the Episcopate and the Apostolic Succession that marks the ‘catholic’ nature of the church and the authenticity of the gospel and the ministry down the ages.

This year's Course “sacred words for a secular world” is written by Canon John Young and the 5 sessions are introduced by Dr David Hope and supported by The Archbishop John Sentamu, Rachel Lampard a Methodist, Clifford Longley a Roman Catholic and Bishop Graham Cray, Leader of Fresh Expressions.

Details of the sessions of the Course across the Benefice will be published in the churches and I invite you to try and attend them if you can. We are holding the Baton in our generation and we all need to be equipped to understand what Handing on the Torch really means.

Keep a Good Lent!



Ash Wednesday Services

Ash Wednesday 22 February

Holy Communion will be celebrated at 7.30 pm at the following churches:

Appleton Wiske	Rev David Lewis
Barton	Rev Geoff
Spedding	
East Cowton	Canon Rachel
Stowe	

St Michael's Majors

Tea this month will be on Thursday 16 Feb. in the Memorial Hall, 3-5pm. All welcome and usual travel arrangements apply.

Wedding Bells.

St. Michael and All Angels' Church are looking for someone to ring the church bells at weddings. Our regular bell ringer would be happy to give full training. It would be useful to be able to call upon a couple of people to share the wedding services and to cover holiday periods. If this appeals to you please contact, Diana 377641 or Howard 377619

Thank You

We are writing to thank everyone who has helped and supported St. Michael and St. Andrews during the last twelve months. Our readers, sidesmen, flower arrangers, intercessors, cleaners, choir and our daily church-opening lady; the Social Committee and by no means least all of you who come and worship and support our many fund raising events. The PCC join Howard and myself in wishing you and your families a joyful and peaceful year and invite you to join us again in 2012.

Thank you all for the support you give to us.

Howard and Diana.

Church Services

9.30 am	Sunday 5th February Holy Communion	3rd before Lent	Middleton Tyas	Rev. D. Lewis
9.30 am. 6.00 pm	<i>Sunday 12th February</i> Morning Prayer (BCP) Holy Communion (BCP)	<i>2nd before Lent</i>	Middleton Tyas Moulton	Mr. R. Brookstein Bishop James Bell & Rev. D. Lewis
9.30 am	Sunday 19th February Holy Communion	Next before Lent	Middleton Tyas	Rev. G. Spedding
9.30 am	Sunday 26th February Morning Prayer (CW)	1st of Lent	Middleton Tyas	Mrs V. Waugh
9.30 am	<i>Sunday 4th March</i> Holy Communion	<i>2nd of Lent</i>	Middleton Tyas	Rev. D. Lewis

<i>Date</i>	Sidesmen	Reading	Reader	
5 February 2012	Dr.N.C.Weightman Mrs. L. Weightman	1 Corinthians Mark	9 : 16 - 23 p. 430 1 : 29 - 39 p. 430	Mrs. M. Hill
12 February	Mrs. S. Vaux Mrs M. Parker	Proverbs John	8 : 1, 22 – 31 p. 441 1 : 1 – 14 p. 443	Mr. R. Congreve
19 February	Mr. S. Hill Mrs. M. Hill	2 Corinthians Mark	4 : 3 – 6 p.446 9 : 2 - 9 p.447	Mr. P. Nimmins
26 February	Miss M. Brown Mrs. D. Carter	Genesis Mark	9 : 8 – 17 p.450 1 : 9 - 15 p.452	Mrs. E. Davies
4 March	Mr. W.A.C.Hindhaugh Mrs. S. Mahaffy	Romans Mark	4 : 13 - end p. 455 8 : 31 - end p. 456	Dr. N. C. Weightman

All readings are as detailed in the Revised Common Lectionary unless otherwise shown.

Cleaning rota

February 6 Mrs Frost, Mrs McKibbin and Mrs Vaux
 February 13 & 20 Mrs Croft & Mrs Hall
 February 27 & March 5 Mrs Brooke & Mrs Nimmins

Flower Rota

Liz Croft and Sara Vaux are in charge of flowers until Lent starts when we do not have flowers in Church until Easter

If anyone needs the services of a priest, please contact Revd. David Lewis on 01609 881205 or email davidlewis648@btinternet.com