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GAZETTE DEADLINES

In order that we can distribute the Gazette on the first of each month, it is necessary to have a Deadline date. The Deadline Dates for the next few months are as follows

September August 15th
October September 15th
November October 15th

PLEASE NOTE

We cannot guarantee any entry not submitted by the deadline,..

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Don't forget REETH SHOW DAY Wednesday 27th August.



Dear Sir:

In your June issue of The Gazette you stated "the sight of wheeliebins in Reeth turned him into an angry old man". I cannot believe the amount of anger generated by household waste. Whether or not we like the look of these things is irrelevant, this country is fast running out of landfill sites (all will be in the next 8-9 years) There is a simple answer; put the appropriate bin out on collection day and hide them away the rest of the time. Contrary to popular belief only a small part of our Council Tax goes towards refuse collection, we are fortunate that the Council are doing their best to deal with what is in fact OUR rubbish generated by us. I have been recycling for over 20 years and it is exremely simple, very little goes into our

grey bin and I would be very ashamed to admit that our black 'placky' bags wouldn't fit into the bin weekly, never mind fortnightly (R.Gjune) also I can only assume you have no garden whatsoever that you don't have any garden waste, we compost most vegetable matter but some garden greenery we cannot deal with and we find the green bin invaluable.

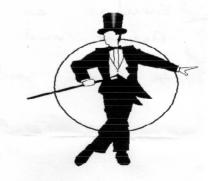
The ballot box will not help with the rubbish debate; there is no going back, WE have to deal with the problem as a nation, starting at grassroots level with our own personal rubbish. I can't help wondering if all the fuss is just a case of not in my back yard'. Wheelie bins have been around in towns and cities for years why should we be any different? Being fortunate enough to live in a conservation area does not make us exempt. The rubbish fairy is dead! Those who find reuse and recycling difficult would do well to contact Friends of the Earth for advice. Janet Reynolds

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Are you ready to begin "STEPPING OUT"?
To follow the greats?
Do you dream of being the next Fred
Astaire or Ginger Rogers?

Then look no further because The School Of Theatre Dance is coming to Marrick. Classes for children from 9 years begin Monday the 8th September 2008 in Marrick Institute starting at 6:00pm and for Adults at 7:00pm

Each 45 minute class will cost £4.50. For further information call Janet on (01748) 884677 or 07971282566 or email: janetseymour@arcor.de



CHURCH SERVICES in Swaledale & Arkengarthdale

Sunday 3rd. August

9.15am St. Mary's Muker

Eucharist

10.30am Low Row URC - Service at

Barnard Castle

Holy Communion

Reeth Methodist

11.00am Holy Trinity, Low Row

Eucharist

St. Edmund's, Marske

Family Service

Reeth Evangelical Congregational

6.00pm St. Andrew's, Grinton

Evening Prayer BCP

6.30pm Gunnerside Methodist

Reeth Evangelical Congregational

Sunday 17th. August

9.15am St. Mary's, Muker

Holy Communion BCP

10.30am Low Row URC

Reeth Methodist

Holy Communion

11.00am Holy Trinty, Low Row

Eucharist

St. Edmund's Marske

Eucharist

Reeth Evangelical Congregational

2.00pm Keld URC

6.30pm St. Mary's, Arkengarthdale

Evensong BCP

Gunnerside Methodist

Reeth Evangelical Congregational

Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)

Meet at the Friends Meeting House in Leyburn, Bainbridge and Countersett. For details of regular weekly services and any further information please telephone Peter Neale 01969 625470 Sunday 10th August

9.30am St. Andrew's, Grinton

Eucharist with Baptism

St. Michael's, Downholme

Holy Communion

10.30am Low Row URC

Reeth Methodist

11.00am St. Edmund's Marske

Morning Service

Reeth Evangelical Congregational

11.15am St. Mary's Arkengarthdale

Holy Communion BCP

6.00pm St. Mary's Muker

Family Service with Baptism

6.30pm Arkengarthdale Methodist

Holy Communion

Gunnerside Methodist

Holy Communion

Reeth Evangelical Congregational



Sunday 24th August

8.00am Holy Trinity Low Row

Holy Communion BCP

9.30am St. Andrew's, Grinton

Eucharist

St. Michael's. Downhome

Holy Communion

10.00am St. Mary's Muker

Morning Prayer with hymns

10.30am Low Row URC

Reeth Methodist

11.00am St. Edmund's, Marske

Eucharist

Reeth Evangelical Congregational

11.15am St. Mary's, Arkengarthdale

Holy Communion BCP

6.30pm Arkengarthdale Methodist

Gunnerside Methodist

Reeth Evangelical Congregational

Sunday 31st. August

10.30am St. Andrew's Grinton

United Parish Eucharist Preacher
will be Jane Ogden from the
Children's Society
Low Row URC

Holv Communion

Reeth Methodist

11.00am St. Edmund's, Marske Family Service

Reeth Evangelical Congregational

2.00pm Keld URC

6.00pm St. Andrew's, Grinton

Evening Prayer BCP

6.30pm Gunnerside Methodist
Reeth Evangelical Congregational

The following fundraising events will be held in Arkengarthdale for St. Mary's Church Window Appeal:

August 25th **Teas** in the Methodist Church from 3pm.

August 29th Cake Stall on Reeth Market.

September 5th Cheese and Wine Party with Silent Auction.

September 13th/14th Heritage Weekend. Visual expressions of our Faith. St.
Mary's Church open both days from 10am to 4pm

September 28th Harvest Festival with the children of Arkengarthdale School 11.15 am September 29th Auction of Harvest Produce 7pm in Church.

ARKENGARTHDALE
METHODIST CHURCH
will be holding
COFFEE MORNINGS
on the following Fridays:
Friday 8th August,
Friday 22nd August,
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Gill Hayes — Chairman

In support of a parachute jump involving Rachel Duck, Kirsty Davies, Ben McGhie and David Burnett, the following events will take place to raise money for Meningitis UK: 30th August-Race Night at the Black Bull, Reeth and on the 14th September a Car Wash on Reeth Green.

CHEESE AND WINE PARTY with SILENT AUCTION

St. Mary's Church, Arkengarthdale will be holding a Cheese and Wine Party and Silent Auction on September 9th at 7.30pm. This will be held in Fremington Sunday School. Come to a fun evening to support St. Mary's Church Window Appeal. Tickets are £.7 and include cheese and a glass of wine. They are available locally and from Margaret Sparke on 01740 64404 or Pauline Oldershaw on 01748 886790. Please buy tickets or provide auction lots. For the silent auction lots are placed around the room and bids are entered, with the bidder's allocated number, on the appropriate list.

GOLDEN WEDDING CELEBRATION

Jim and Jennie Calvert would like to thank everyone who helped to make their Golden Wedding Celebrations such a great success. Firstly sincere thanks to our immediate family for arranging such a wonderful surprise party. Then to all our friends for helping us to enjoy the evening, and for donations of £260 which are to be divided equally beween the Rescue" "Swaledale Fell and "Yorkshire Air Ambulance". Thank you.

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Crime in the Two Dales This month I would firstly like

to offer a Big 'Thank you' to all the people who have rung in to report incidents - in particular

use of the ringmaster to highlight a vehicle selling generators door to door. suspect vehicle was eventually stopped and investigated by police in the Melsonby area. Suspect vehicles have been sighted around Grinton, Downholme and Low Row where there were also indications of an attempted theft Suspect poachers have been seen around Marrick. We have also had further reports of diesel thefts in the area. After initial access to properties, persons have the chance to look around, then premises can be attacked a short time later and property stolen such as plant/tools/metal which is sold at auction/boot sale often in other counties. This is why it is so important to take note of suspect vehicles and persons and report them immediately. If the door at Leyburn Police Station is closed, please use the telephone provided nearby and press the number '1' and pick up the handset. There is also a yellow telephone situated outside Hudson House in Reeth that can be accessed. Both telephones will put you through to the Force Control Room and they will be able to help. If you find a dog that looks lost or is a stray, Richmonshire District Council can be contacted on 2417253 as it is now their responsibility, the police will no longer be dealing with it. Lastly there have been several road traffic accidents and collisions across the dales which once again could have been avoided. Ensuring you adhere to the speed

restrictions and wear seatbelts will prevent further incidents occurring.

PCSO Tracie Lee Taylor- Page What's On at the Dales Countryside Museum, Hawes August 2008

Sunday 3rd August Rag Rug making 10am -4pm Free demonstration, display and 'have a go' Drop in at any time. 5th August Spinning a Yarn Join Friends of DCM who will be spinning in the Museum concourse and explaining rugmaking, weaving, felting and dyeing. 2 - 4pm Sunday 17th August Introduction digital photography to 10.30am - 4pm Learn to use your camera. Bring along the camera, manual and packed lunch. Under 16s to be accompanied. Not suitable for under 12s. Booking essential Friday afternoons: 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd and 29th August Storytelling All the family welcome 2 - 3pm Tuesday 26th August Traditional Dry Stone Wallina Wednesday Demonstration 2 -4pm 6th. 13th, 20th and 27th afternoons: Discover and Do 2 - 4pm Children's Craft event to tie in with the Hay Time Festival Over 8s only. Booking essential. £2 Lunchtime lectures Thursdays 12.30 - 1.30 7th Birds of the Yorkshire Dales 14th Woodland birds of the Yorkshire Dales 21st Upland birds of the Yorkshire Dales 28th Birds of the Yorkshire Dales Contact details for all events-

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Grinton Parish Council

Winter Maintenance The council's comments on possible changes to the gritting programme had been acknowledged by the Task Group who would them into consideration before making decisions on the future. The Task Group also wished to assure councillors that decisions on gritting and salting would always be taken at local level rather than in Northallerton. Highways Department The blocked drain at Mudd House would be investigated as would the damaged roads, however precise locations were required of the areas involved. The cattle grid on the Grinton moor road was causing concern again and would be reported. Signs had recently been erected on Stainton Lane indicating that it was suitable for light vehicles only, however this route had been used by the HGVs which could no longer use the moor road. The reasons for the restriction would be raised with Highways. Neddy House Councillors had visited the property and confirmed that there was a noticeable 'lean' in the front wall which was in need of urgent repairs to make it safe. The longer the present situation continued, the worse the deterioration would become. Richmondshire Wardens District Council was now responsible for detaining stray dogs, rather than the police. It was reported that they were looking into the possibility of banning dogs altogether from certain public areas such as children's playgrounds. District Council Councillors were informed of the new structure of internal governance arrangements for RDC. Housing Survey Members completed a survey regarding the accessibility of a

range of services in the area and the suitability of communities for additional house buildina. Telephone Boxes Notification was received of BT's plans to remove a number of public call boxes in areas where they were no longer deemed necessary. There were none in Grinton parish itself but councillors would support objections to the removal of a box at Keld which was the only one for some miles. It was noted that the box at Crackpot was becoming obscured by undergrowth where trees needed cutting back. There was no mobile phone reception in the area and easy access to the phone could be vital in an emergency. Cycle Rally warning was received of a cycle rally passing through parts of the dale on Sunday, September 28, which would involve temporary closure of some roads while the cyclists passed through. Refuse Collection Coun Porter drew attention to problems which were being experienced by residents in some parts of the parish in dealing with the new refuse collection system Paths Damage was reported to a path by the beck where boulders had been washed away in recent bad weather. The Area Ranger was aware of this and would be dealing with it. He would also be asked to inspect the gate at the end of the Corpse Way which had dropped on its hinges and become very hard to open.

Next Meeting The next meeting will be held in the parish hall at 7pm on Monday, September 1.

Congratulations to Ceri - Jayne
Atkinson, from all her family, for
achieving a 2:1 honours degree in
Crime Scene Science

Reeth Parish Council June 23

Bonfire Insurance The clerk had not yet heard back from the council's insurance company regarding cover for the bonfire. Parking Problems were still occurring with cars being parked very close to the wall on the Buck Corner, causing pedestrians to step out into the road near the junction. This was of particular concern given the number of young children using the route daily on their way to the After School Club in the Memorial Hall. police were aware of the problem and were monitoring the situation. Councillors agreed to ask if it would be possible to have some means of defining the edge of the pavement as it was not obvious in places that any footpath existed. Refuse Bins Following the introduction of the new refuse collection system, many problems had been experienced in places where there was nowhere to store them outside the property. Councillors agreed that while there were no objections to the bins and boxes being placed out on collection days, they would not allow them to be stored permanently on parish land. The clerk would inform the district council of this decision. It was suggested that in some cases it might be possible to screen the bins to make them less intrusive. Coun Gardner reported that the Business Association were hoping to arrange a meeting to show district council officers the impact of the large wheelie bins on the area on a collection day when paths and pavements were easily impeded. Particular concern was expressed over bins on the route to the school and on empty ones which could blow over when left at the roadside

Benches The green wardens would identify a suitable place for a memorial bench requested by the Hancock family in memory of their daughter. The National Park had drawn attention to a recently installed seat on Fremington Edge which had apparently been placed there without permission. The YDNP would be informed that it was not on parish land and neither the landowner nor residents had any objections to it as it was a replacement for an older seat which had fallen into disrepair. **Paths** There were no objections to repairs to a stretch of path by the Museum, however it did not belong to the council and was not their responsibility. Dog Warden It was noted that stray dogs were now responsibility of Richmondshire District Council, not of the police. Green Part of the top green was very soft and some drivers of larger vehicles. unfamiliar with the area, became bogged down and caused damage to the grass when taking a short cut across it. Councillors suggested narrowing access to prevent anything wider than a car crossing the grass. Parish Clerk Following the resignation of the current

Following the resignation of the current clerk councillors would like to hear from anyone interested in taking up the post. Applicants should contact the chairman, Martin Bearpark, (01748) 884687.

Next Meeting The next meting is at 7pm on Monday, July 28, in the Memorial Hall.

Paul and Ruth would like to thank everybody for all the cards, flowers, gifts and enquiries after the premature birth of George on 20th December. He now weighs 10lbs. Thank you for all your support.

Low Row Methodist Burial Ground

A public meeting was held at Low Row Village Institute on 7th July to discuss the future of the Burial Ground now that there is no longer a Methodist congregation in the village. The meeting was attended by twenty local people. The Swaledale Methodist Circuit still has responsibility for the Burial Ground, so an advisory group has been formed with representatives from the local community to advise the Circuit Meeting on what should be done to maintain the Burial Ground. It was confirmed that the Burial Ground remains open. If a plot is needed then local residents should make contact either via Rev. Jane Harris or Simon Barningham. There is a concern that rabbits are undermining some of the headstones and there may be a risk that they could fall and cause injury. Suggestions are invited as to how best to try to control the rabbit population in the immediate area. It was agreed that the records of Methodist burials at Low Row should be reviewed and updated, and a photographic record made of the headstones. Jane Harris agreed to make a copy of the map showing the position of known graves to assist the identification and recording process. The register of family interests will include all graves whether they have headstones or not. Anyone with relatives in the Burial Ground is asked to register the details of their relatives with Mrs Olive Anyan or Mrs Mary Calvert who are coordinating the available information. If your family has relatives in the Low Row Methodist Burial Ground please get in touch with the advisory group. Further details available from Rev. Jane Harris on 01748 884336.

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door) Friday 24th October - John Tams & Barry Coope (Coope, Boyes and Simpson). John Tams has been described by Mojo as "one οf the ultimate British songwriters" having a career spanning four decades in every medium John perhaps best known for his work at the Theatre and as Daniel Haaman in the Sharpe television series. He is a five times winner of the BBC Radio 2 Folk Awards. Tams & Coope are winners of Best Duo in the BBC Radio 2 2008 Folk Awards. Support by Kate Bramley - fiddler, vocalist, theatre writer, director (Jez Lowe & the Bad Pennies) - 'The impressive Kate Bramley' (Daily Telegraph) - £11 (£13 on door) Tickets for all of the above are available from Reeth Post Office Tickets and further details available from John Little 01748 884759

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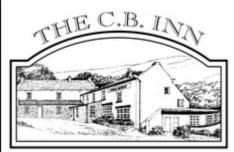


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Reeth and Gunnerside Schools

My time as Headteacher of Reeth and Gunnerside Schools has come to en end with an extremely busy final term.

Some of our Y5/6 children have been involved the 'Ocean performances at Richmond School, Ocean World is an exciting and moving musical which highlights the need for us to take care of our marine environment. The message is clear and simple: if we continue to misuse the sea, we will destroy the life in it. The experience of performing with children from other primary and secondary schools is a very valuable one and our children have all worked really hard to achieve an extremely high standard of performance.

I know that many of you will have enjoyed 'Mirabel and the Lead Miners' either at the Swaledale Festival or at the School Fayre. This was a wonderful artistic performance which displayed great talent from a large number of children. Janet Seymour's skills in achieving this level of performance are quite outstanding. The choreography, the costumes, the story by David Dixon and the scenery by Sarah Midgley all contributed to a wonderful event.

Some of our children were involved in the Swaledale Festival performance of 'Noye's Fludde' by Benjamin Britten. This provided an excellent opportunity for our children to work alongside professional musicians to create a musical experience that was highly memorable.

The Festival also presented some performances in our schools involving Caliche, a Peruvian pan pipes and drum ensemble, and Illuminati, a wind ensemble.

These workshops were thoroughly enjoyed by the children and many of them were given the opportunity to take an active part in the workshops.

The Friends of our two schools alongside the Friends of the Two Dales Nursery kindly organised a Summer Fayre at Reeth in June. This was very well supported by families, friends and visitors and

over £1600 was raised. My thanks go to everyone responsible for making this event so successful.

At the end of June Y5/6 children went off to East Barnby for their residential trip. This is always an exciting time for the children, particularly as for many of them it is the first time they have been away from home. The week was packed with activities such as rock climbing, canoeing, beach art and fossil hunting and the children and staff had a great time. While they are away FS/KS1 children from both schools enjoyed a PE Day and a Pirate Day at Gunnerside.

We have also had lots of sports activities this term including multiskills workshops, coaching and an inter-schools rounders festival.

Our charity for this term has been 'School children for children'. This charity was launched in 2003, to encourage children's enjoyment of physical activities and raise money to help improve the quality of education schools developing in in countries. It is now supported by the Youth Sport Trust. A range of physical activities ran at both schools with half of the money raised going to the charity and the other half used to further improve our own PE resources.

The Leavers had their 'Leavers' Treat'

when they went bowling at Catterick followed by a meal at La Piazza. Our Leavers' performances of 'The Lemonade Kid' in Reeth Memorial Hall were, as always, very well supported. This was a fun musical set in the Wild West about how a town was tamed against the odds, by a plucky bargirl and the only man brave enough NOT to carry a gun. All our Key Stage Two children were involved in this play. The younger children sang a lively pirates song to say farewell to our leavers. Sports Day, the Leavers' Disco and the Leavers' Service brought the year to en end.

As this will be my final piece for the Gazette I would like to take this opportunity to say how much I have enjoyed much of my time as Headteacher, initially as Head of Reeth and then as Head of the confederation of Reeth and Gunnerside. However, the time has now come to move on. I have resigned from my post with regret but also with a strong sense that the confederation will be best served by a new person at the helm, someone who has not been involved in all the recent difficulties.

I am very grateful to all those staff, governors and parents who have supported me during the past five years. The warmth of their support, particularly over the past year, has been very much appreciated and highly valued. I know I leave behind a dedicated and highly resilient staff team who are committed to providing the best possible education for children in Swaledale. I will miss them.

I will also greatly miss the children and I feel very fortunate to have been given the opportunity to lead the two schools in our

dale. I hope that something of my vision to provide an exciting, challenging, creative and holistic education for our children will continue to move the schools forward and I wish everyone involved in the confederation every success for the future.

Jill E Wilkinson

The Naked Truth or The Barefaced Cheek Of It!

When walking from the Old gang back, I heard a whirring noise ont' track Next I know - through the air I flew! Hurt my legs and my back too!

In helpless state - considering my fate
I looked in awe at what I saw A cyclist who was in the raw!
(hat and shoes were all he wore)
I thought, "My word he must be sore."

With confused and abject thoughts—he hastily put on his shorts.

Having offered sympathy and care Off he rode no longer bare!

A warning! Buddies who take a hike — Beware of 'nuddies' on a bike!

Reported by a regular Swaledale visitor on an actual event somewhat painful but equally amusing!

THANK YOU! Malcolm and Freda of Harker's Coaches would like to thank family, friends , neighbours and all the hotels and businesses in Reeth for their help and for the donations made towards their coffee morning. A total of £1500 was raised for Macmillan Cancer Support. Many thanks to you all.

<u>GREAT WAR PILGRIMAGE</u> - NOVEMBER 2008

Did any of your relatives serve in The Great War? Do you know how they were recruited, trained and administered? Which battles did they fight in? Did they pay the supreme price? Do you know where they lie or are commemorated? Have you, or any other relative visited the places where your ancestors lived, fought and fell? Are you interested? Want to know more? I can help you learn.

Following on from successful 2 Dales Tours last October and February, I am again offering to take people to The Western Front early November on a not-for-profit basis. Visits to some of the principal battlefield sites will be complemented by exploration of specific areas relatives of group members served or died. The group size will be between 4 tol2. Costs will he in the region of £340-£360 for nights inclusive of accommodation and breakfasts. Telephone me without obligation, on 01748 884062 if you want to know more. Places will he allocated on a first come first served basis.

Chris Best served in the Army for 37 years. He has been visiting battlefields around the world for more than 25 years and, since retiring, has worked as an occasional, freelance, battlefield guide. He is much sought after as a guide and speaker throughout the UK, and is particularly popular with military groups.

MESSAGE from the SWALEDALE MUSEUM in REETH

July has seen all sorts of excitements, with a BIG thank you to the Artyfacts and Cantalina for a wonderful summer concert,

a real pleasure to all. Thank you to all those who came. A few weeks ago a lady came into the Museum on a trip down memory lane, showing her daughter where she bad been evacuated during the Second World War. She had been billetted with the Hillary's in Wesley Cottage (and later Kendalls the butcher)! with remembered the Sunday School (now the Museum) well. Five minutes later another lady came in, for just the same reason. It seemed sensible to bring the two together. and low and behold, both had been children in the SAME street (Hasting Street) in Sunderland and knew each others families and relations. So, if anyone remembers young Jean Adcot (then 7) (and her brothers Kenneth and John) who stayed in Reeth or Caroline Bell (then 11) who stayed near the CB in Arkengartbdale in 1939-1941 do let me know! Our afternoon on Pockets was a great success we were full to capacity, and much to our amazement our pair in the Museum turned out to be special, they are early 18th century, the embroidery in bright colourful condition. and a rare pair, rather than single. I have made a pattern for our 'Swaledale Pockets!' which will now go on a national database. Look out for the website...... Huge thanks to Professor Barbara Burman for opening our eyes to the importance of these examples of everday history. Do come into the Museum to see them. Our next meeting at the Knitting Gate will be on MONDAY 25th August from 2pm, come and join us and bring your knittingl For information further contact Helen Bainbridge on 01748 884118, e-mail:

museum@swaledale.org

ARKENGARTHDALE C.E. SCHOOL

What a wonderful turn out we had for our first open day and what a success it was. It was lovely to see adults and children together trying out all the different activities. Thankyou to everyone who supported us.

As you can guess this summer term has been extremely busy. Key Stage 1 children visited Middleham Castle so they could compare and contrast their Colombine Castle and all the work they have done. They thoroughly enjoyed Butterfly World as a culmination of their work on living things. They also had two fantastic sports activities days - one at Colburn and one with their friends at Reeth and Gunnerside. They are certainly well prepared for our Sports Day.

Key Stage 2 children have been equally busy. They had a super day at Killhope experiencing first hand some of the aspects of lead mining we have been covering. The panning for lead and other crystals was the most popular activity. I was just grateful for a dry day! They also enjoyed Lifepath at Jervaulx Abbey.

Years 5 & 6 have worked very hard preparing for the musical performance at Richmond School - Ocean World and all the hours they put in paid off as it was a fantastic performance.

These are just a few of our activities in detail but lots of others have been taking place - weekly cross country, cycle training, an activity day at Colburn Leisure Centre, musical activities, exciting sessions for our 4 new starters

just to mention a few - very busy children and staff.

On a final note we say goodbye to Samya, Noah, Jethro and Kate and wish them all the very best for Richmond School. I, myself, will as usual say a huge thankyou to my very hardworking staff, very supportive parents, Governors, Friends, community and extremely enthusiastic children. All these make Arkengarthdale School an innovative and exciting learning experience. Thankyou

Mary Hutchinson - July 2008

CONGRATULATIONS

Congratulations to Samya Kelly for achieving her Grade Three Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music practical examination in Descant Recorder. Congratulations too to Megan Lundberg for achieving her Grade One Associated Board of the Royal Schools of Music practical examination, with merit, on Tenor (Eb) Horn. Both girls are pupils at Arkengarthdale School.

THANK YOU

Jen and Tony would like to extend their sincere thanks to all who attended Jen's Birthday Party and for the many cards, presents and gifts of money received. A staggering amount of £450 was received. This will be put towards the cost of a special magnifier which will enable Jen to read a little easier. Our heartfelt thanks to you all.

REETH COMMUNITY ORCHARD OPEN AFTERNOON IN THE ORCHARD SATURDAY, 16th AUGUST 4.00 PM — 6.00 PM TO INCLUDE WINE AND CHESSE

TO INCLUDE WINE AND CHEESE The orchard is much admired by everyone

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THANK YOU

A very big thank you from the members of Muker Ladies' Guild to everyone who supported us at our fundraising evening. Thanks to Pete Roe who made playing Bingo a unique experience! £516 was raised for the Macmillan Nurses and the Candlelighters.

The Yorkshire Dales National Park Authority (YDNPA) has a new chairman.

Kevin Lancaster, who has been a member of the Authority since 1996, was voted into the post at a YDNPA meeting today (July 29). He is a hill sheep and cattle born and brought Sedbergh and is also a South Lakeland District Councillor. He is the Authority's Corporate Member Champion for Management. Speaking after his election, he told Authority members: "This is the greatest honour I have had in my life. I hope I can repay you by doing a good job in the next 12 months." He takes over from Carl Lis, who stood down from the post after four years. Mr Lis joined the YDNPA in 1996 and will continue to be a member of the Authority. Mr Lis said: "I have

thoroughly enjoyed my time in the post - it has been hard work but very rewarding. "I have been proud to have been chairman during some milestone events in the life of the Yorkshire Dales National Park like the introduction of the Countryside and Rights of Way Act in Upper North West and North East England and the opening of the Authority's new offices in Bainbridge, "I just hope Mr Lancaster gets as much pleasure from the job as I have." The meeting elected born-and-bred dalesman Harold Brown as Deputy Chairman, Mr Brown joined the Authority in 1996 and has been chairman of Grinton Parish Council since 1975 The Authority also has two new faces. John Roberts is a Craven District Council appointee who replaces David Heather due to the change in political balance at the Craven District Council. Mr Roberts lives in Kettlewell and represents Upper Wharfedale on Craven District Council Andrew Collev is of State-appointed Secretary councillor and replaces Cecil Hammond who retired earlier. He lives in Grassington and is a member of the village's parish council.

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AiR - the regional arts development agency based in Middleham - launches a new website on Friday 1st August. The site is intended for local arts enthusiasts and visitors, who want a quick and easy guide to what's on in the area, and also for artists and arts organisations Robin Battersby, AiR's Creative Director, said: "We are hugely excited to launch this website. Nothing like it exists in the very large rural area which is bounded by Barnard Castle, Kirkby Stephen, Hawes, Ripon and Thirsk, and we feel we are meeting a real need. Residents and visitors can now go online and find out in seconds what's happening nearby; they can even plan their evenings out up to a year ahead!" He went on: "I don't think it's always appreciated how valuable the arts are to North Yorkshire. Amazingly, the arts economy is 30% bigger than agriculture. But artists find it difficult to meet up or share ideas, which is why we want our new site also to act as a focal point for local artists, and a catalyst for good ideas and good practice." As a start-up, the new site is still quite lightly populated, so Robin says "If you're planning a gig, or an exhibition, then do check the site to make sure we've included you! If in doubt, give us a call - listings for arts events are free. You can reach us on 01969 625142, at info@artsinrichmondshire.org, or at the Key Centre, Middleham DL8 4RA. "Initially the site will offer listings only, but Robin

says it will soon also offer online ticketing and art sales The new AiR website, which goes live on 1st. August, is at www.artsinrichmondshire.org. For further information, contact Robin Battersby or Christel Kibbat on 01969 625142 or email rbattersby@artsinrichmondshire.org.

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Methodist Church 10 till 12

25th Teas in the Mehtodist Church,

Arkengarthdale in aid of St. Mary's

3pm

27th REETH SHOW DAY

28th The Swaledale with Arkengarthdale

Parish Choir 7.30pm Reeth

Methodist Church

September

3rd MUKER SHOW DAY

5th Silent Auction, fremington Sunday

School

13th Christian Heritage Weekend

25th East Witton Male Voice Choir Reeth Methodist Church 7.30pm

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THURSDAY 14TH - 12TH AUGUST AT 5PM & 8PM

SEX AND THE CITY (18)

The girls are back. We find them four years after the hit HBO series ended. Carrie (Sarah Jessica Parker), Samantha (Kim Cattrall), Charlotte (Kristin Davis) and Miranda (Cynthia Nixon) are still trying to juggle their jobs and relationships, while navigating marriage, motherhood and New York real estate. Joining the girls are all the regular cast from the series.

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THURS & FRI. 28TH & 29TH AUGUST AT 5PM & 8PM

YANKS (15)

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