

# *Kippax Matters*

*March 2016*



*"The Newly Cleaned Kippax War Memorial"*



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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

<b>MARCH 2016</b>	
Week 1st - 6th	<b>Library:</b> 4th Storytime 2pm; <b>Parish Council:</b> 3rd KVA;
Week 7th - 13th	<b>Library:</b> 11th Storytime 2pm; 13th <b>Band</b> concert 8pm; <b>Parish Council:</b> 8th Neighbourhood Plan 7.30pm.
Week 14th - 20th	<b>Library:</b> 14th Readers' group 5.45; 18th Storytime 2pm; 16th W.I. 7.30pm; <b>Parish Council:</b> 14th Finance 7pm; 17th Council Meeting 7pm; <b>St Mary's:</b> 20th Palm Sunday 10.30am; <b>Methodist:</b> 20th Palm Sunday 10.30am;
Weeks 21st - 31st	<b>Library:</b> closed 25th/28th; <b>Parish Council:</b> 24th Youth 7pm; <b>St Mary's:</b> 25th Good Friday services 12.15am/7.30pm; 26th Holy Saturday 8pm; 27th Easter Day service 10.30am; <b>Methodist:</b> 25th Good Friday morning service; 27th Easter Sunday 10.30am;
<b>APRIL 2016</b>	
Week 1st - 10th	<b>Library:</b> 1st/8th Storytime 2pm; 4th Over 5's activities 1.30pm; 10th <b>Band</b> concert 8pm; <b>Parish Council:</b> 4th Planning/Communications 7pm; 7th KVA;
Week 11th - 17th	<b>Library:</b> 11th Minecraft event 1.30pm; Readers' group 5.45pm. 15th Storytime 2pm; <b>Parish Council:</b> 12th Neighbourhood Plan 7.30pm;
Week 18th - 24th	<b>Library:</b> 22nd Storytime 2pm; <b>Parish Council:</b> 18th Finance 7pm, 21st Council Meeting 7pm;
Weeks 25th - 30th	<b>Library:</b> 29th Storytime 2pm; <b>Parish Council:</b> 28th Youth 7pm;
<b>MAY 2016</b>	
Weeks 1st - 8th	<b>Library:</b> 6th Storytime 2pm; 8th <b>Band</b> concert 8pm; <b>Parish Council:</b> 3rd Planning/Communications 7pm; 5th KVA;
Week 9th - 15th	<b>Library:</b> 9th Readers' group 5.45pm; 13th Storytime 2pm; <b>Parish Council:</b> 10th Annual Parish Meeting 7.45pm;
Week 16th - 22nd	<b>Library:</b> 20th Storytime 2pm; <b>Parish Council:</b> 16th Finance 7pm; 17th Neighbourhood Plan 7.30pm; 19th Council Meeting 7pm;
Week 23rd - 31st	<b>Library:</b> 27th Storytime 2pm; <b>Parish Council:</b> 26th Youth 7pm; 31st Planning;

For more information about these events please see inside.

If you would like your dates for June, July and August 2016 adding to this list, please let us know.

## EDITORIAL

A belated Happy New Year to all of our readers. I hope you had a lovely Christmas, and by the time you read this Spring should be in the air.

Happy, and words associated with it, is my theme this time. No moans or groans!

Firstly I am glad to say we are starting a new feature called 'Kind Kippisers' see page 28.

My example occurred a few months ago when I lost my handbag. Those who know me will just say that's typical for me. As I was trying to do the school run with my grandchildren one morning, Logan got in the car, then wanted his book bag, I got that, then the bag of empty boxes (for box craft before you ask) fell open, so I gathered them up, then Lois wanted a hand into her car seat, so I put my bag down on the grass verge, fastened her into the car seat, quickly drove to school, took Logan to his class. THEN the penny dropped, had I picked up my bag? I went back to the car with Lois, not there, carefully, but anxiously drove back to their house, hoping to see my bag lying there on the grass verge!!! No such luck. BUT to cut a long story short, someone had found it looked after it and I got it back.

Another good thing that happened. We went with our gadget/game mad 6 year old grandson to see Puss in Boots performed by KAOS (Kippax Amateur Operatic Society). We really enjoyed it, but what was even better was watching Logan's reaction to the show. He and all the other children became totally involved in the story, accepting that the prince was really a lady, and the queen was a man dressed as a woman!!!! So despite our high tech world, children can still become enthralled by a play performed by real people. Well done KAOS.

Our community spirit can be felt all over Kippax. When I was out walking, my sister noted I must know a lot of people. I pointed out that residents in Kippax said hello to any one they met. Not something that happens in other parts of Leeds.

The work of Kippax in Bloom is so good for our community. The hours the small group work are too numerous to count, just to help Kippax look a bit better, a bit tidier and a lot more attractive.

Kippax WI continues to increase in numbers, a better membership than a lot of groups in Yorkshire.

Why?

Well, the talks are interesting, the tea and cake delicious (there are some great bakers though I am sorry to say I am not one of them), but the members seem to come mainly for the community atmosphere and friendships found there. The same can be said for the Brigshaw Community Choir and many other local groups

My daughter's house was broken into just before Christmas. The people who she works with collected a £100 to help her replace in time, the toys stolen, also to help her children realise that there are some nice people in the world too.

Remember my parachute jump, when I put myself well and truly out of my 'comfort zone'. You must read about the adventures of Joy and her zip line on page 24.

I hope we all help keep Kippax the nice place it is to live in. It's not perfect I know, but thanks to many groups of volunteers and the friendly residents, it's not too bad is it?

***Diana McEwan***



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## KIPPAX UNITED JFC



Congratulations to Kippax United JFC on winning the Selby Champions League Trophy in December, beating Snailthorpe in the final. It has been a fantastic 2015 for the club winning two trophies, the other being the Snailthorpe Juniors 25th Anniversary Football Tournament. The club would like to thank all involved and appreciates the continued support of family, friends, parish council and local business to help the club strive forward.

It will be an exciting 2016, as there will be a new age group added to the club - Kippax United Tots.

If your child is currently in reception class and would like to be involved then get in contact. We are a chartered standard club with fully qualified FA football coaches. Kippax United JFC is a non-profit family friendly club with limited age groups, enabling the children to develop their football skills with excellent training equipment, which is affordable for parents.

Visit our website or Facebook page, Kippax United JFC - If you would like more details, please contact Neil Braboe 07765 685312.



## **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

As soon as we get Christmas and New Year celebrations over, we look forward to a better new year than the one just passed, booking holidays, arranging outings etc. The year has not started well for those people affected by the recent floods who have lost everything.

It is much the same for the Parish Council, arranging dates of meetings, sorting out budgets along with deciding what projects to pursue for the year.

The first of these at the time of writing is well underway. That is the improvements to the war memorial and grounds. As I write, the worn and broken steps are being replaced and the footpaths are being sorted out. The end result should be that the area is easier to maintain. Later, springtime flowers will be planted. This work has been funded by the Parish Council with a grant from the housing panel and Groundwork Leeds.

We are looking to find sponsors from within the community to fund a rail to keep the poppy wreaths in place; this will go right round the memorial and prevent the wreaths blowing everywhere.

The second and biggest project is to provide a skate park that will accommodate all skateboards, B.M.X's scooters etc.

This was first asked for some 16 years ago and the children who asked are now waiting to take their children on it (perhaps to show off their skateboarding skills). We now have plans drawn up to make this a reality. This work will be overseen by Groundwork Leeds.

If you walk up to Kippax from the Moorgate there is a footpath called Filly Cobs, or Pig Hill, or footpath 35 to give it its LCC number. Thanks to sterling work by our Village services team for their persistence and also thanks to Cllr Harland, it has been re-surfaced and should now be usable by all.

The village services team also reports graffiti, litter, fly tipping, malicious damage as well as persistently reporting dog mess, and in the period December to January reported 10 cases. Most of these have been sorted out.

Over the Christmas /New Year period someone took a liking to two of the figures around the village. The Santa has been recovered but the penguin from the Calvert flower bed is still at large, he disappeared between 2.30 am and 11.30 am on New Year's Day. If you know anything please contact any Councillor.

I can also announce that the mini Breeze event that we held last year on Kippax Common playing fields will be coming back again this year. Dates and venue are to be decided but plans are taking shape.

In the last magazine I mentioned a Scarecrow competition for the village (just a fun thing) I have details on how to organise this but need helpers. Anyone interested?

Before you fall asleep from reading this please don't forget the photo competition. The winning pictures will win a prize and feature in the 2017 calendar, if we get enough entries.

So in closing have a great spring/early summer and belated best wishes for 2016

***Cllr. Doug Morley***

# AN INVITATION

TO ALL RESIDENTS OF KIPPAX

TO THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING  
ON TUESDAY MAY 10<sup>TH</sup>  
GIBSON LANE COMMUNITY CENTRE AT 7.45PM

Why not come along and voice your concerns and tell us your ideas about anything in Kippax which bothers you. Kippax Parish Council is the first level of Local Government with links directly to Leeds City Council.

If you have any suggestions of how the Parish Council could improve our village we would like to know

You have a right to have your say in the future development of our village. If you care about where you live and have an opinion on it we want to hear it.

Please come along and catch up on how the Neighbourhood Plan is progressing and also on the activities for youth.

Refreshments will be provided at no cost.

KIPPAX Parish Council 24/01/2016  
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# Hello from Everybody at Kippax Library

Kippax Library is undergoing refurbishment and will remain open whilst the work continues ensuring we keep disruption to a minimum. The changes will see Kippax Library being transformed into a Hub and we can look forward to more services being available and accessible in our village.

Please use the slip below to let us know any suggestions or comments you would like to have considered as we move through the process of refurbishment and plan future services available within our village. There is a suggestions box available in the library for the collection of the slips.



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## Suggestions

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## Comments

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## Dates for your diary

This year's Easter holiday activities at Kippax Library include:-

Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April 1.30pm – 2.30pm Come and join us for our treasure hunt, paper crafts and games, suitable for children 5 years and over, no booking is required for this event.

Monday 11<sup>th</sup> April 1.30pm – 3.00pm – Join us for our Minecraft event suitable for children 7 years and over (Please book your place by contacting Kippax Library on 0113 378 1878)

Regular Events are unaffected by the refurbishment and meet at the following times.

Kippax Readers Group meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month 5.45pm to 6.45pm

Come and Join us for Under 5's Storytime and Rhymetime every Friday 2pm to 2.30pm

## Kippax Library Opening Times:

Monday 10am to 7pm

Wednesday 11am to 5pm

Friday 11am to 5pm

Saturday 10am to 1pm

Telephone Number - 0113 3781878

Best Wishes Sue, Jane, Caroline, Pauline, Cath & Montse

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**WELL DONE KIPPAX**

## Kippax Ward Councillors Update

**Kippax Cenotaph** Cllr Mary Harland attended Remembrance Sunday and we are pleased to be working with the Parish Council on repairs to the Cenotaph as we mark 100 years since WWI.

**Flooding** Although Kippax was spared the worst over Christmas we have worked to tackle areas that have been hit by heavy rainfall including a new bund on Ramsden Street and work on the drains. Please let us know if you have concerns.

**Kippax Library** We have secured investment to turn the Library in to a 'Hub' for more council services and to rejuvenate the building, adding a public toilet securing its future.

**Small Grants** Please contact us if you are part of an organisation that we maybe able to help.

**Advice sessions:** 1st Saturday of the Month 11:00am  
*In Cross Hills Court until the Library work is completed.*



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## KIPPAX VILLAGE ACTION

Congratulations KVA for another successful year, ending 2015 with a 40's themed lunch at Millstones with a sing a long, entertainment and afternoon tea.

After recruiting more volunteer committee members we are looking forward to a successful 2016.

- First trip in 2016 was to the pantomime (Oh yes we did) to see Puss in Boots at the Phoenix Theatre.
- Our outing in April is to celebrate the Queen's 90th birthday, lunch, sing a long and entertainment.
- The Autumn outing is to Abbey House Museum followed by fish and chips.
- Then to end the year with a BANG back by popular demand, Millstones – lunch, entertainment, sing a long and perhaps a dance.

Come and join us, meet new friends and enjoy the outings. If you want any more information regarding the above contact.

Jean Pritchard – 0113 2875143

Chris Porter – 0113 2863098

Or contact any committee member.



Kathleen Jackson  
KVA member



**Alec Shelbrooke MP**

Conservative Member of Parliament for Elmst & Rothwell



HOUSE OF COMMONS  
LONDON SW1A 0AA



Dear resident,

I'm pleased to be able to report on an issue I campaigned on throughout my re-election campaign in 2015.

The Prime Minister recently announced new measures to support mental health care and awareness in England. This is a crucial issue here in Elmst & Rothwell where we have some great community initiatives to support those experiencing mental health difficulties. I'm a regular visitor to the Growing Zone in Kippax and was especially delighted to visit in April 2015 with the Prime Minister's wife, Samantha Cameron.

June Perkin and her team at the Growing Zone have created a fantastic haven for people dealing with learning difficulties, disabilities and mental health issues. From my visits to the Growing Zone and from my MP Advice Surgeries I know of the broad range of concerns mental health issues create for individuals and families and I believe today's announcement is a real step in the right direction.

The specific measures, which will apply in England only, include:

- £247m over the next five years so that every hospital has mental services in their Accident and Emergency unit
- A new waiting time target for teenagers with eating disorders, which will track the number of patients being seen within a month of being referred
- Over £400 million to enable 24/7 treatment in communities as a safe and effective alternative to hospital

This is just one of many campaigns I've been involved in, so if there's any issue you'd like to raise with me please do get in touch.

Yours sincerely,

**Alec Shelbrooke MP**

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## SPRING FAIR

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**MARCH 12, 2016**

**10-00 AM TO 1-00 PM**

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Raffle, Tombolas, Games.

Refreshments, including Bacon Butties, Toasted Teacakes

## KIPPAX IN BLOOM

At the time of writing, we have just entered a new year. All of us who are associated with Kippax in Bloom will be hoping that we can repeat our successes in 2016. With our developing reputation as an award-winning floral village, there is a desire to continue on that path as we represent Yorkshire in the Britain in Bloom competition this year.

In preparation for the visit to Kippax in summer of the 2 RHS judges we have been working hard over the winter months, pruning bushes, trees and shrubs, weeding, tidying, clearing up litter and adding compost to our beds. We've planted bulbs to brighten up the Spring when it comes. Considering the rain that has teemed down over the winter months, most of this work has been carried out on dull, misty and rainy days.

One of the requirements of Britain in Bloom is that we develop new projects in addition to that which has already been created over the last decade or so. Of course, one new project was forced on us following that Saturday evening in September when we were reminded just how easily all the good work can be destroyed. An apparently drunk driver speeding up Leeds Road lost control of his car and destroyed the bed at Calvert Close, including uprooting a silver birch tree which the group had planted. Fortunately no-one was injured and gardens can be renewed.

### **Volunteers bed clearing at Calvert Close!**





Much work has already been done in clearing the area completely, removing everything. Plants will be saved and replanted while the bed is to be completely re-designed so you will all see a completely new look when it is completed.

Another new initiative will see a re-vamp of Butt Hill gardens now that the building work at the former Royal Oak pub is completed. Lots of pruning and tidying up has already been done and we have plans to change some of the planting and add more colour.

Another new development follows at the request of our library staff who are keen to help us brighten up our Library outside and consequently we will see the addition of planters for early summer.

Bloomers will again be working closely with Kippax North School and we are grateful for their marvellous support

These last two elements are very important as the 'In Bloom' competitions are not just about flower beds and pots: they are also about community involvement. Consequently our work with local schools, cubs, brownies, guides and scouts, the Growing Zone and so on is very important, as are the front and back garden competitions.

Once again it is important to thank the Parish Council who sponsor and support our work, as well as our local ward councillors, the Parks and Countryside Department of Leeds City Council, Woodend Nursery, our sponsors and of course our volunteers.

As always, we would welcome more volunteers. Offering your time does not necessarily need to be every week but as and when you can. Or indeed you could help by watering a bed or beds near you or by sponsoring a bed or hanging basket. Contact Pat at the sweetshop on the High Street or e-mail her at [psamykib@aol.com](mailto:psamykib@aol.com). Our web page can be found at [www.kippaxinbloom.com](http://www.kippaxinbloom.com)

## KIPPAX DRAMATIC SOCIETY

Earlier this year the drama group made its contribution to beating the January blues when we premiered our latest Murder Mystery Evening, 'Legacy of Murder' in St Mary's Church Hall, Kippax for the Church Committee.


As usual, the event proved hugely popular and we are once more reprising the show for those who were unable to get tickets.

'Legacy of Murder' can be seen on Thursday 21 and Friday 22 April 2016 in St Mary's Church Hall, Kippax at 7.30 p.m.

Tickets (which must be pre-booked) are priced at £10 which includes a two course supper. Bring your own drinks.

So if you fancy yourself as a latter-day Poirot or Miss Marple, come along and see if you can spot the murderer; and have a fun evening into the bargain.

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**Clergy:**      **Revd Rosemarie Hayes - 0113 286 2710**  
                  **Revd Diane Flynn - 0113 286 4607**  
                  **Revd Viv Master - 0113 2874408**

## REGULAR SERVICES

**Sunday:** 10.30am Sung Eucharist.

**Tuesday:** 10.00am Said Eucharist (lasts approx. 20 minutes).

**FIRST STEPS:** Every Thursday: 10.00am for children of pre-school age and their parents or carers.

\*Everyone, including children, welcome to all our service's.\*

DAILY PRAYER is said at 9.30am.

## **HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES**

### **Sunday 20 March - PALM SUNDAY:**

**10.30am Holy Communion.**

**This Service begins in the Church Hall  
followed by Procession with Palms to the Church.**

### **Friday 25 March: GOOD FRIDAY**

**12.15pm Walk of Witness around Kippax High Street. We meet in the Church Hall.**

**7.30pm Good Friday Service with Veneration of the Cross  
and Holy Communion from the Reserved Sacrament.**

### **Saturday 26 March: HOLY SATURDAY**

**8.00pm Service of Light with lighting of the Easter Fire outside the Church  
and Procession into the Church with candles lit from the fire.**

### **Sunday 27 March: EASTER DAY**

**10.30am Holy Communion**

The Church is also open every Friday 10.00am-12.00 noon for anyone to come in and pray or just sit silently.

The Parish Office at Kippax is open every Tuesday 7.00pm-8.00pm for the booking of weddings. (Except Holy Week and Easter).

For Baptisms, please see the clergy at the Sunday morning service. Baptisms are held once a month during the Sunday morning service or at 12.00 noon if preferred.

The clergy are also available to arrange visits to the sick and for Holy Communion to be taken out to the sick and housebound.

The Church Hall is available for hire at very competitive rates - Large Hall and Kitchen or Lower Meeting room with Kitchenette. More Details from Hall Manager, Stewart Fawcett, 0113 286 2730.

Visit our web site at <http://stmarykippax.org.uk> for more information on all our activities.

## In the Choir

I sing in the choir, you know  
Though I'm not sure I'm very good  
In fact my friends have often said  
"Do you REALLY think you should?"

I'd like to sing soprano  
Oh those high top notes they reach  
I've twisted and tortured my vocal chords  
But all I can do is screech.

Perhaps if I sang with the altos  
With their lower, honeyed voices  
I got black looks and nudges there  
That rules out both my choices.

And then there's reading the music!  
I can't tell a clef from a quaver  
What's four-four? And what's a crescendo?  
I should do the choir a favour -

I can't sing high, I can't sing low  
And I certainly can't keep time.  
I've hit on the perfect solution  
I'll just stand at the back and mime.

**Chris Porter**



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## Kippax Methodist Church

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Telephone number 0113 2877669.

### Worship and other regular activities

Sunday	10:30 am	Worship and Junior Church.
Monday	7:30 pm	Fellowship Meeting On winter break - restarts 4 <sup>th</sup> April
Tuesday	9:30 - 11:15 am	Coffee Morning
	9:00 am	Holy Communion on the first Tuesday of each month.
Wednesday	12:30 pm	Men's Lunch Group meets <b>monthly</b> September to June
	7:30 pm	Weekly Dance Group
Friday	1:30 – 3:00 pm	Babies & Toddler Group for mums, tots & toddlers
	7:00 pm - 8.30	Friday Feeling Junior Youth Club. (7 years and upwards) (Please tel.0113 2869808 for availability of places.)
Saturday	8:15am	Prayer Breakfast <b>2nd Saturday of the month</b>
	7:15 pm	Dance, the <b>2nd Saturday of the month.</b>

You are welcome to join us for any of these regular events, as well as the ones listed below  
Babies & Toddler Group operates during term time only.

**You can find us on Facebook, as a Public Group 'Kippax Methodist Church'**

**Baptisms and Weddings by arrangement with Rev Andrew Checkley.**

### Future Events

Sunday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	10:30 am	Palm Sunday Service
Friday 25 <sup>th</sup> March		Morning Service for Good Friday
Sunday 27 <sup>th</sup> March	10:30 am	Easter Sunday Morning Service
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> April	7:30 pm	Monday Fellowship Restarts

For more details of these and other events, look at the notice-board or at posters in the Church windows.

Church rooms are for hire, special rates for Children's (Under 10 years of age)  
Birthday parties. **Ring 0113 2869488 for details.**

## TALKING OF COMFORT ZONES.

A couple of years ago my colleague Diana McEwan wrote in this magazine that it is good for us if we sometimes aim to achieve something which appears to be outside our 'comfort zone'. She did, she did a Tandem Parachute Jump. How fantastic is that? Like me she is not a teenager.

I was really pleased for her, I couldn't have done it.

Diana also asked to hear from anyone else who had pushed themselves into doing something a bit different.

Well, I am not aware that anyone has contacted us yet, so last November when another friend told me that there was a new Zip-wire at a place in Portugal that we both sometimes visit, I looked for details.

It actually starts off descending in Spain from Sanlucar de Guadiana, crosses over the Guadiana River and ends up in Alcoutim in Portugal.

It is the only cross-border zip-line in the world of 2,160feet (720 meters) in distance.

You start off 694 feet (228 meters) above sea level; you travel at 45 – 50 Miles per hour (70-80 kilometers per hour) so it actually takes less than a minute!

You are also a Time Traveller flying through time because there is a one hour time difference between the two countries. How cool is that??

So you can guess the rest, I gathered up my courage, it only took a year, and I went for it.

You are fitted with a body harness which has a huge clamp fastening you to the wire and a hard hat (which worried me a little). Then you are pushed out of the little cabin high on the hillside all on your own dangling in (he wild blue yonder. It was so exhilarating and exciting, the views were amazing but it was over too soon. All my fears were forgotten, I may do it again!!

Joy Bate.

For further information try [www.limitzero.com](http://www.limitzero.com) or ring me 0113 2866814



This is me!

This is The view on the way down





## HAPPY NEW YEAR FROM KIPPAX ART GROUP

Here we are once again heralding another New Year; or rather, it was a new year when I wrote this in January.

Christmas saw the members going out for a meal at the Sylheti Baiti restaurant in Kippax and everyone agreed it was a great night and they will be going there again next year. We are looking forward to future demonstrators and in the coming year I will publish a list of who we will be having and the dates, also we shall most likely be staging an exhibition once again in conjunction with St Mary's Church Summer Fayre so watch this space. As mentioned last time I am enclosing a couple of pics of paintings members have done, one by Debbie Wills and the other of a flower we all did at a paint-along with Rachel McNaughton. This was a very intense evening but some good results were produced.



We are a very friendly self-help Group of people who are always happy to welcome newcomers: if you have any interest in drawing or painting, why not spend an evening with like-minded people. Our members are of every level of experience and use all types of medium.

New members are always very welcome and whether you are an experienced painter or just a beginner, everyone benefits from the help and advice our members give to each other.

Kippax Art Group meets every Wednesday except the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month at Gibson Lane Community Centre, top of Gibson Lane, Kippax, from 7.00pm to 9.15pm. Subscriptions are £5 a month payable quarterly. Just call in one evening and have a chat with the members, or visit our website <http://www.kippaxartgroup.co.uk> for more contact details and a look at our programme, which doesn't have to be followed but can help if you have trouble finding a subject to paint one week.

Jacky

## KIPPAX BAND CLUB CONCERTS 2016

*17, Mount Pleasant, Kippax.LS25 7AT*

**PLEASE NOTE - ALL FREE CONCERTS 8pm Start EXCEPT FOR OCTOBER**

Sunday 13 March	Visiting band concert
Sunday 10 April	Kippax Band concert
Sunday 8 May	Visiting band concert
Sunday 12 June	Kippax Band concert
Sunday 10 July	Visiting band concert
Sunday 14 August	Kippax Band concert
Sunday 11 September	Visiting band concert
Saturday 8 October	Kippax Band cabaret - admission by ticket only
Sunday 9 October	Kippax Band cabaret - admission by ticket only
Sunday 13 November	Visiting Band concert
Sunday 4 December	Kippax Band Christmas concert (1st Sunday in Dec)

**VISIT BAND DIARY ON WEBSITE [www.kippaxband.co.uk](http://www.kippaxband.co.uk)**

## PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

Are you over 16 years of age by the 1st March 2016? Then you must enter our Photographic Competition, organized by Kippax Parish Council.

Photos can have been taken any time since January 2015.

Closing date is 16th July 2016.

The Subject is "Kippax" - it could be a lovely view, ancient buildings, a stunning sunset, wildlife etc., and you don't have to be an expert or a resident to enter.

The overall winner will receive £50, and 11 runners up £20 each

Entries will be judged on technicality and originality.

### RULES

- 1) The entry must be sent as a **jpeg**, then attached and sent to the following address **[magazine@kippaxparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:magazine@kippaxparishcouncil.gov.uk)**  
Please include your full name, d.o.b. (optional) address, email and telephone.
- 2) It should not have been entered for another competition or been published anywhere.
- 3) A maximum of 2 entries in colour or black and white.
- 4) No composite entries that stitch 2 or more components.

## A reminder of the closing date: 16th July 2016

Winners will be notified individually and all results will be on the website and Parish Council notice boards.

## VILLAGE SERVICES

News from KRAP - (Kippax Rubbish Action Patrol)

### KRAP FAX:

Did you know that recently staff from a Leeds outdoor events firm volunteered to help keep the Yorkshire Three Peaks clean with a litter pick and they collected 16 bags of rubbish in one day, I say well done and keep up the good work. However if you rationalise this they could have come to Kippax and filled twice as many bags with litter in a quarter of the time!!! In December 2015 fly- tippers dumped 19 tonnes of rubbish at a former high school site in east Leeds. It's a good job that road works were taking place on Leeds road or for sure they would have dumped it in Kippax and nobody would have noticed. Perhaps I am being unfair because the Kippax in Bloom group would have cleared it up.

### K-9 KRAP

Did you know that, in Stafford, council staff are using night- vision goggles in their fight against dog fouling? What with the Barking Council using DNA testing, soon there will be no hiding place. Isn't science wonderful?

Kippax chat — — overheard in the Koop.

K1. My dog went missing and I was told to put an advert in the Cas and Ponte express but a month later – no news.

K2. What did you put in the advert?

K1. " Here Boy"!!


*Ron Shaw*

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## **YOUR COMMENTS**

### **THANK YOU**

It was a lovely community Christmas Season at St Mary's Church Kippax; we had all the three primary schools in for end of term services plus Ash Tree years 5 & 6 did a Christingle Service for the Children's Society. Our Curate Viv organised a Nativity Factor on a DVD with primary schools and brownie groups taking part and it was shown on our screen.

The Christmas Band Concert with our own Kippax Brass Band was really good and church was jammed packed,

Christmas Eve we joined with Churches Together and thanks to Craig, manager at Kippax Coop, we sang carols and had food and money donated for St Georges Crypt.

On Christmas Eve our Christingle Nativity was also a full church in aid of the Children's Society.

So thank you Children and People of Kippax for making Christmas Special for us and others.

Kind Regards

***Wendy Stringer***

### **KIND KIPPISERS**

**Jeanette England**

10:11pm Jan 9

A nice story for a change

I dropped my house keys at the side of my car today while shopping in Garforth a very kind lady picked them up, left a note on my car asking me to ring her, she then very kindly dropped them at my house. I am posting this just to let everyone know that there are still very kind thoughtful people out there. I would like to say thank you to this kind thoughtful lady

### News from Kippax Greenfield Primary School

Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December was Election Day at Kippax Greenfield Primary School. Every two years we get election fever and elect our new School Council. The election process begins a few weeks earlier with the children exploring the questions: **What is democracy? When and where did democracy start? What is the democratic system in England? How is our school democratic?** Democracy is one of our values as part of the Brigshaw Co-operative Trust.

Each class draws up criteria for an effective Class Representative; they nominate children to run for election and the campaigning begins with children writing their manifestos.

From the photos below you will see the Election Day was just as a general election would be with registration, ballot papers, voting booths and a ballot box. The outgoing School Council acted as Returning Officers organising the voters, ballot papers and helping count the votes.

Our newly elected School Council is:

Scarlett and Max from Class Reception

Harry and Rou from Class 1

Alfie and Lacie- Mai from Class 2

Kye and Kaya from Class 3

Tristen and Grace from Class 4

Emily and Ben from Class 5

Ellie H and Jack from Class 6

Registering the voters



Voting



Posting votes in the ballot box



The School Council 2015



## CONTACT KIPPAX PARISH COUNCILLORS

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Parish Council meetings are held at 7-00pm on the third Thursday of each month at Mount Pleasant Community Centre and are open to the public.

Planning meetings are also held monthly – please check notice boards or the website for dates.

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