

East Hedleyhope Spring Newsletter



Welcome to Spring and our newsletter.

There has been lots going on and even more being planned for 2023.

Halloween celebration

October saw the usual Halloween celebrations with a party organised by the playgroup held in the village hall.



Christmas Fayre

Although a bitterly cold day, people braved the weather to attend with the younger visitors enjoying a visit to Santa and his helpers in his "Grottovan". Thank you to Alan, Lesley and Isabella for creating the magic.

Cuppa 'n' Cake

Held on the last Saturday of each month, this event continues to grow in popularity. A wide and varied selection of delicious bakes are available with free refills on drinks with prices starting at just £3:00.

Durham County Council has now accredited the event with a five star food hygiene rating.



Village Gossip

A number of complaints have been received by the Parish Council and Community Association about the significant increase in dog fouling especially along the gravel path through the Nature Reserve and the Meadow.

Anyone with sufficient evidence of dog walkers allowing dog fouling or failing to clean up should pass the information to the County Council Dog Wardens or the Parish Clerk so that action can be taken.

All dog owners are responsible for clearing up by bagging and disposing of dog waste in either bins provided or taking it home. It is an offence to just leave it or to bag it and then to just hang it in trees, furthermore it is a danger to health especially for children when it is left as contamination.

Wednesday Evening Socialising

The social evenings started from January following becoming a "Warm Space" as part of the Government incentive. From 7:00pm to 9:00pm every Wednesday the village hall is open to everyone who wishes to come along and enjoy a cuppa along with a natter. Various activities of your choice can be carried out which so far have been a Cluedo evening and a learn how to Crochet evening. Further suggestions are for a quiz night to be held sometime in April.

Baby & Toddler Group

The group is currently meeting every Friday as part of the Warm Spaces incentive until the end of April. Although numbers are low the group attendance is sufficient to support youngsters of pre-school age within our community.

Dog Agility

The new dog agility season is upon us and many dogs in the village are training hard for the upcoming events. We wish all of the dogs and handlers taking part in competitions the very best of luck to bring home a bountiful collection of silverware and rosettes.

Upcoming Events

Quiz Night - Wednesday 5th April 2023

Easter Egg Hunt - Sunday 16th April 2023

Kings Coronation and Summer Fete/BBQ - Sunday 7th May 2023

Useful Contacts for this edition

Parish Clerk - hedleyhopeparishcouncil@gmail.com

Report dog fouling - help@durham.gov.uk Tel: 03000 26 0000