

Holy Trinity Mapperley -report to Annual Parish Meeting

EVENTS/SERVICES

Participation in community events has been mixed. The September event at the Old Black Horse, promoted by the Parish Council, was great but the Christmas fayre was not. Carol singing around the village, which ended in the Old Black Horse, and the Carol service were well attended. We want to continue to work with the Parish Council, school and pub. The new lights down the drive are lovely.

A thanksgiving service is planned to celebrate the improvements to the church building once they are complete.

The largest services, in terms of numbers is the "collective worship" with the school with 60 pupils and up to 40 adults. These services are held at Mother's day, Easter, Remembrance and Christingle.

A new initiative on the third Sunday at 5pm is an "alternative" service. This is the only evening service in the Benefice on that day. So far, these have included a Taize and a Northumbrian Celtic service and an adult Messy Church, but other styles are planned, including Café Praise. Morning Praise on the first Sunday is lively and best attended. All services are open to parishioners and visitors.

In 2018 there was a funeral, a christening and a lovely wedding, just after Christmas.

We meet with the churches in the Stanleys and West Hallam from time to time and have attended joint lent studies.

The church supports three charities – Canaan Trust (hostel for the homeless in Long Eaton), Children's Society (through the school) and the Ilkeston Christians Against Poverty Debt Centre.

USE OF THE CHURCH

The use of the church by Boxfit has given a small but regular income. It is hoped that they will return once the improvements are complete.

The support of the Parish Council particularly in the care of the churchyard is much appreciated. Letters to relatives of persons buried in the churchyard raised about 70% of the cost of mowing etc. It is intended that this year's letter will be to all parishioners plus relatives contacted last year and that this will keep this much valued open space in good order. The Community Payback have returned to mow, strim etc.

The Sacred Harp Singers meet on New Years Day each year. Everyone is welcome to listen and participate. Simon and Gillian White are members.

The school use the building for PE, concerts etc and book it for up to 4 days a week.

IMPROVEMENTS

The lych gates were replaced just before Christmas and match the originals stolen.

Due to generous donations the stained-glass window from the old church has been set in a back lit oak box in the church. This is illuminated at all services.

The Tanner family gave a quantity of Bob Tanner's beautiful woodturning to raise funds. There is a small quantity left.

Grant aid has allowed us to install a new boiler, radiators in the kitchen, toilet and office and hot water! A much-improved ramp, and underfloor heating has been installed as part of a £35K grant from the Garfield Weston anniversary fund. Work to install LED lighting, an improved audio-visual system, carpeting and decoration are ongoing. Repairs have been made to the A frame. Maintenance of the building is ongoing, but we are short of funds to do this. We rely heavily on donations to carry out this essential work.

We hope that all this work will make the building a much valued and used church/community building.

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I have created many new sections on my website including Newspapers in the West Hallam Section and a Wedding Album in the Mapperley Section. A scoop was the history of The Bridge Inn written by Rev Ingrid and Rev Peter Owen-Jones for the Stanley section..

I continue to receive emails from around the world with many uniting families with long lost relatives.

Recently I joined forces with Theo Marsland who gave a talk on migrant children who were sent to Australia, a post war practice that continued as late as 1970. The talk was based on the true story of her brother in law. We raised £100 for the Child Migrant Trust and a very much needed £100 for Mapperley History's ongoing costs of running the website.

I continue to add data on a very regular basis and know from feedback how useful and interesting the website is and of course a valuable asset to Mapperley village.

It would be sensible for me to start and consider a progression and handover plan for the future so any suggestions gratefully received.

Elaine Sarson

May 2019



Mapperley CE Primary School- update for Parish Council May 2019

The school currently has a pupil roll of 65 children, organised currently into three classes for English and Mathematics and two classes for other subjects. Children attend from quite a wide area: Mapperley, West Hallam, Ilkeston and Heanor. School employs: 1 teaching headteacher, 2 teachers, 1 higher-level teaching assistant, 3 teaching assistants, 2 office staff, 2 mid-day supervisors and a cleaner in charge. With some staff full time and some being part time.

Mapperley was rated as 'Outstanding' during Church school inspection in July 2017 The school was rated 'Good' by Ofsted in July 2016. The school has close links with Holy Trinity Church in the village and with Derbyshire Wildlife Trust. We use Mapperley Wood Nature Reserve for Forest School activities and visit Woodside Farm several times a year too.

School achievements & activities 2018-2019:

- ✿ School has been awarded "**Your School Games Platinum Award**" in recognition of the inclusive, high level provision that we offer for PE & sport at Mapperley We were one of only two schools in Derbyshire to have been awarded the highest level. We achieved Gold 5 years in a row which meant we could apply for Platinum.
- ✿ We have been awarded **Bronze, Silver & Gold Green Tree Award** by The Woodland Trust
- ✿ Mrs Debbie Farmer, higher level teaching assistant (HLTA), was awarded the **East Midlands outstanding HLTA of the Year Award** and attended the national finals in London.
- ✿ We have achieved **Eco Schools Bronze Award** for work on environmental education and are working towards Silver.
- ✿ We have planted trees for both The Woodland Trust and Derbyshire Wildlife Trust and have been invited to the launch of the Young People's Forest. Our school was on BBC East Midlands Today and also on BBC Radio 4 linked to the Young People's Forest
- ✿ A number of sports events have taken place, with Mapperley doing well in competitions, including winning the small school swimming gala in April and being awarded many fair play awards.
- ✿ Visitors to school have included World War 1 soldiers, a range of exotic animals, Tesco in The Community and an Irish dance workshop to name a few.
- ✿ Our older children have attended a residential visit to Lea Green with Stanley St. Andrews CE Primary School and our Infant class has had a day at Lea Green Outdoor Development Centre.
- ✿ Mapperley School works closely with 9 other local small schools and we held our first joint in-service training (INSET) day at Morley Hayes in February with over 100 staff present, with Clive Davies OBE, looking at further developing our curriculum.



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