

Round Tower

The free monthly newsletter for Cuddington, Sandiway & Delamere Park.

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To receive it by email contact the editor at: rteditors@gmail.com Also available on the village website: www.cuddingtonandsandiwayonline.org

WE WISH ALL OUR READERS A HAPPY AND PEACEFUL CHRISTMAS

CAN YOU HELP OUR YOUTH CLUB TO RAISE THE LAST ESSENTIAL £500?

A week ago this message arrived in the Round Tower inbox from Chairman Steve Chivers on behalf of the village youth club which has been trying to raise funds to increase the activities that can be offered by the club:

"I am thrilled to say the Youth Club has received £5,500 funding from CWAC which is very important step on the road towards our target. We've also been tremendously encouraged by the support of Cuddington Parish Council, Borough Councillors as well as from individuals.

We still need £500 to reach our target, without which we will not get anything."

A week later an update arrived:

"We have made our fund raising target. There are so many very generous people in our community who have made this possible. Thank you all so much. We will work even harder to make the Youth Club a great success."

A truly impressive response from the community.

CHRISTMAS AT ST JOHN'S CHURCH

Sunday 3rd December - Advent Sunday 8.30am Holy Communion in church 10.15am Breakfast Church in the hall

6.30pm Advent Hymns in church

Saturday 2nd – 23rd December Gift of Peace Display Open 10.00 am – 2.00 pm Monday to Saturday This Advent find time to stop for a while, relax and enjoy the peace inspired items produced by groups and individuals of all ages from our community. and individuals of all ages from our community. Let us unite in peace this Christmas



Saturday 9th, December, 11am-12pm Carol Singing at the White Barn

Sunday 17th December, 6.30pm Christmas Carol Service in church followed by mulled wine

Friday 22nd December, 7pm Get your Christmas Jumpers on for our family favourite Christmas Sing-A-Long. Join in singing your favourite Christmas songs. Festive Refreshments included. St John's Church Hall. Adults £3:00, Children £2:00 For more information, please contact Jenni and Pete; sandiwaysingalong@gmail.com

Sunday 24th December, 10.15am Morning Praise at the church hall **4.30pm** Crib Service in church

11pm - midnight, Christmas Eve Communion in church followed by mulled wine

Monday December 25th, Christmas Day Communion in church 10.15am

For help or advice about general church related issues, please contact the churchwardens, Ali Fletcher - 884039 & John Fraser - 882158)

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

The next meeting of the parish council will take place on Monday December 18th in the meeting room of the village hall commencing at 7.15 pm. Any changes to the arrangements will be posted on the parish council noticeboards which are at the playing field car park and by the post box on Mere Lane.

They will also be on the parish council website; www.cuddingtonpc.uk where you can find a wealth of information about the work of councillors and how to contact them.

You can also contact the parish council via the clerk, e-mail: clerk@cuddingtonpc.uk Call 01606 852444, Monday to Thursday during office hours ~ or write to ~ Julie Chrimes, Clerk to the Parish Council, Sunnyside, Withens Lane, Weaverham, CW8 3HX

Agendas and Minutes of meetings can be found at; www.cuddingtonpc.uk

- Our PCSO, Michelle Gillet, reported that speed checks had been carried out on Weaverham Road and as a result 10 people will receive 3 points on their license.
- Speed Indicator Devices have been installed around the village. These are portable and can therefore be relocated around the village from time to time.
- Cemex, the company quarrying sand in the village, have made a donation to St John's Church towards their improvements to the facilities at the church.
- The defibrillator situated at the entrance to the village hall is no longer working so it will be replaced as soon as possible. There are 2 other defibrillators in the village. One is at Delamere Park Clubhouse, CW8 2UJ and the other is in the phone box at Poplar Close, Sandiway, CW8 2QR.
- Councillor Gillian Edwards has been working to improve safety at the Weaverham Road
 entrance to Sandiway school. The works include a solid line to provide a designated
 footway, metal barriers to help prevent parking problems and a No Entry sign at the exit of
 the car park. All this has been achieved with the help of Cheshire West and Chester
 Councils highways contractor Colas Ltd, L&R Roadlines swarco and Somerford Equipment
 Limited, all of whom donated their services for free. Parish Council and Weaver and
 Cuddington Police also gave their support.

THE 2024 VILLAGE GALA WILL TAKE PLACE ON JUNE 8TH

Preparations will be starting in the New Year. A number of loyal volunteers have retired this year, leaving the Team short of help on the day for setting up and other aspects of organization.



We are therefore asking for new volunteers to come forward to help on the day with tasks which are needed to ensure safety. If you think you could help please come along to the meeting at 7.30pm on January 8th in the village hall meeting room and meet the team.

CHRISTMAS SERVICES AT SANDIWAY METHODIST CHURCH

Sunday 17th December - Carol Service, led by Kathryn Craig, at 10.45am Sunday 24th December - Christmas Eve Service, led by Liz Mason at10.45am Monday 25th December - Christmas Day half hour Service All Age Worship at 9.30am, led by Rev Janet Aspey.



ALL ARE WELCOME.

WHAT'S ON?

ROUND TOWER WI - Wednesday December 13th, 7.30pm, Blue Cap.

Xmas Party - Allzzah Elise Bellydance For more information ring Julie on 01606 889745

NORTHWICH PROBUS - Tuesdays, 10.15am, Owley Wood Recreation Club, Barrymore Road,

Weaverham. December 5th - Stan Hancock - Christmas Quiz Further information from 01606 852673 or: www.northwichprobus.org.uk

MID CHESHIRE ORNITHOLOGICAL SOCIETY Friday December 8th, 7.30pm, Village Hall. Speaker: Dennis Atherton - European Birding in Belarus and Hungary. Visitors welcome. For more information contact: secretary@midcheshireos.co.uk

EDDISBURY AND SANDIWAY FLOWER CLUB - . Tuesday December 12th, 2pm, Owley Wood Recreation Club, Barrymore Road, Weaverham. Demonstrator: Louise Jones - Holly and Ivy For more information visit: eddisburyandsandiwayflowerclub@gmail.com or call 01606 75405

CUDDINGTON & SANDIWAY WI - Thursday, December 14th, Christmas Lunch. Details to be confirmed. For further information, please ring 01606 888446 or 07788557186.

YOUTH CLUB - The Youth Club is open to 11-17 year olds on Fridays from 7pm to 9pm at the Youth and Community Centre on Norley Road Playing Field. For dates over the Christmas period please see page 1. For more information please ring 07775733333

FRIENDLY THURSDAYS - White Barn, 2.30-4pm every Thursday. A chance to meet and chat in a friendly environment. Free tea and biscuits

PRAYER HOUR/COFFEE HOUR - Every Saturday, 10am-midday, St John's Church. Coffee is served between 11am -12 noon

ARK CAFÉ - St John's Church Hall. Fridays, 9am-2pm. (10am-2pm in school holidays). Last opening this year will be Christmas Jumper Day on December 8th. All morning profits will go to 'Save the Children'. The Ark reopens on 16th February.

Every care is taken to provide accurate information, however please be aware that things can change after we have gone to print. Where possible we have included a phone number for you to confirm the information given. You can find up to date information on our village website including travel, news, events, and much more: www.cuddingtonandsandiwayonline.org

RAILWAY LINES Please check before you travel, alterations can happen at short notice: https://www.northernrailway.co.uk/travel/timetables~or ~0800 200 6060. www.northernrailway.co.uk/travel/strikes

For the **Published Timetable of the Day:** National Rail Enquiries - 03457 48 49 50

Sunday 10 December: New timetable starts. Most times are the same. There are only two minor changes to times at Cuddington :

Monday 18 to Thursday 21 December:

The 2252 Chester to Manchester (normally due Cuddington 2314) will be a bus calling at Cuddington at 2342.

The 2210 from Manchester will stop at Greenbank at 2303 but will then run non stop to Chester. A connecting replacement bus will leave Altrincham at 2250 and call at all stations (Greenbank 2354, Cuddington 0002).

The 2313 from Manchester (normally due Cuddington 0020) will be a bus Calling at Cuddington at 0108. **Sunday 24 December:** The 2059 from Chester(due Cuddington 2120) and the 2104 from Manchester (due Cuddington 2208) will not run.

Monday 25 and Tuesday 26 December: No trains.

Wednesday 27 December: The 0630 Chester to Stockport (due Cuddington 0653) will not run.

Sunday 31 December: The 2059 from Chester (due Cuddington 2120) and the 2104 from Manchester (due Cuddington 2208) will not run.

Monday 1 January: The 0630 Chester to Stockport (due Cuddington 0653) will not run.

Please note that strikes are planned for the Christmas period

VILLAGE HALL NOTICEBOARD

Afternoon Tea £1.50 for tea and cake. 2-4pm, All welcome.

December 7th, all proceeds will go to St Lukes Hospice No Tea in January, Next one will be February 1st 2024.



250 Club November Draw winners

1st prize £40, winner - member number 111 of Forest Close 2nd prize £20 winner - member number 81 of Bridge Close

For information on other issues visit; www.cuddingtonandsandiwayvillagehall.org.uk email; enquiries@cuddingtonandsandiwayvillagehall.org.uk or ring 01606 888931

FESTIVE FUN AT SANDIWAY LIBRARY

Friday 01 December 11am-12.30pm, Library Winter Social

Cake and refreshments alongside a visit from the Citizen Advice Bureau to chat about energy saving advice. Library staff will be sharing ideas and simple exercises to stay warm. Free event and everyone is welcome.

Friday 01 December 5.30-6.30pm Saturday 09 11am-12pm

Festive Themed Craft Sessions for Adults

Design and create a festive tealight holder. Refreshments included.

£3 per person. Booking required

Thursday 14 December 2.30-3.30pm

Create personalised gift tags and decorations using 3D pens.

£3 per person. Booking required

After School Christmas Crafts

Monday & Friday 3.30-4.30pm Free drop in crafts for children

4,8 December Handmade Button Christmas cards

11, 15 December Scratch Art Bookmarks

18, 22 December Rudolph Decorations

Friday 15 December, 10.30-11.30 Christmas Baby Bounce

Christmas songs and rhymes with your baby. Suitable for 0 - 12 months.

Followed by refreshments, chat and baby toys.

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Saturday 16 December 11am-12pm, Cantonese Christmas Storytime

Christmas themed stories & Crafts.

Drop-in session for primary aged children who understand Cantonese. All welcome

Tuesday 19 December 10.30-11.30am Rhymetime Christmas Social

Join us for festive rhymes and sensory play. Refreshments and gingerbread included.

Suitable for babies and pre-schoolers.

Thursday 28 – Saturday 30 December Festive Open House

Drop into the library over Christmas and join us for refreshments, chat, games and activities for all ages.

Christmas & New Year Opening Hours

Saturday 23 December 9.30-1pm ~ Monday 25 December Closed

Tuesday 26 December Closed ~ Wednesday 27 December Closed

Thursday 28 December 9.30-1pm & 2pm-5pm ~ Friday 29 December 9.30-1pm & 2pm-7pm

Saturday 30 December 9.30-1pm ~ Monday 01 January Closed

For more details please speak to staff or contact 01606 271767 or sandiway.library@cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk

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