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15th	10am Communion		10am Morning Worship
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29th			10am Communion
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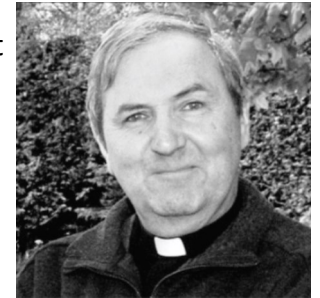
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There is an old saying which originates from the American Air Force to do with aircraft landings. It goes something like this: "a good landing is one that you and all others aboard can walk away from; An excellent landing is one where the aircraft is reusable!" Having learned to fly small aircraft for pleasure in my early 20s, I found the landings were often the tricky bit. As soon as you learn how to get the aircraft safely off the ground, it's fun! I learned how to keep the aircraft safely in the air, travel at a chosen height and change direction when I wanted to. All good stuff. There's a general say saying in the world of aircraft flying that no two landings are ever the same! Anyone who has flown on your holidays or such, may just realise this is true.



The greatest challenge is landing where when the wind did not blow straight down the runway, (called a crosswind) or on a very hot day with no breeze. I won a prize once as the pilot who gave the most entertaining landing at an event at a small airfield in Bedfordshire! Not my greatest moment of glory, but at least I managed to get the plane down safely!

When we are young, the sky seems to be the limit, and we gather speed after our school days and achieve take-off. Freedom! The world seems to be all laid out before us in all its glory and we can choose which direction to go in and we think we've got it all figured. I had to learn to navigate even when visibility was not so good and there were golden rules to learn to make sure you didn't become hopelessly lost. I think the world was much better at giving young people those golden rules than it is today. It seems too many young people today launch themselves off into life, but then become somewhat disoriented or even lost.

So having a good idea of where you are aiming for in life is good planning or you might end up lost or where you don't wish to. As we get older, we should think more seriously about destinations. I've heard many theories. Some think that you just keep going until suddenly it all ends and that's the end of it all for you. Some think that everyone ends up in the same place whether good or bad, you end up in heaven. Others, like me

and millions more, believe that the way you conduct your life matters, and that the creator of all things, who really does exist, will provide the unrepentant sinner with the same ending as those who have been listening to him.

Once flying my 1940s vintage aircraft on a journey to RAF Cranwell, when I set off the weather was sunny and clear. Then the thunderstorm came, and my small plane was bouncing around, a vulnerable feeling. I tried to keep calm, said a prayer for protection, and trusted in what I had been taught, with a good dollop of divine protection. In those final few seconds, as the plane wheels touched the tarmac, I profoundly thanked the Lord, feeling that he had much more to do with it than I did.

So just as for many pilots, the landing is the bit you worry about the most, I think that as I get older, I get more certain that I need divine guidance and protection for that final landing!

Revd Ian Walters

FROM THE EDITOR

(Debbie Reynolds - deborah.reynolds90@hotmail.co.uk)

**The deadline for the next edition is:
20th October.**

You can email me articles and photos at any time before the deadline or drop them through **my letterbox at 61 Salem Street, Gosberton.**

If you need to phone me please call the church phone which is **07803 875638.**

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Don't miss out book now.

Gosberton is one of the few villages in Lincolnshire that has a handbell choir, we always need players. No musical knowledge is required.

Anyone is welcome to come along to Gosberton Church Hall on a Thursday afternoon from 1.30pm to 4pm to see what we do.

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Contact

Jeannette 07403 620783 or Ray 01775 841151

Gosberton WI meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 2pm.

The Public Hall is the normal venue for Gosberton WI, but we have been known to take the occasional meeting as an outing. For example, a visit to Baytree Nurseries to see the owls (and of course the cafe). We will also be visiting a member's smallholding in August and learning how she combines looking after animals etc with craft and all other aspects of her daily life. Wellies will probably be the fashion item on the day!

In July we had a visit from Edwin Lunn who gave a refresher course in Tai Chi for those who have done it before, and an introduction for those ladies who haven't. A very enjoyable afternoon.

The September meeting will be a craft afternoon - making items for the Tulip Suite at the Johnson Hospital; and in October, skills will be put to the test when we will host an open meeting with afternoon tea for the Members Autumn Show. Watch out for further details!

The monthly coffee meetings are still taking place at various venues around the area and the craft group are still meeting to chat and continue with their hobbies.

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We extend our sincere sympathy to the family and friends of those who have recently died. May they rest in peace.

HELP NEEDED!!!

This Community Magazine gets delivered to your door by volunteers at no extra charge. We are currently looking for new volunteers to join the team to undertake this quarterly task. If you are interested, please contact:

Debbie (magazine editor) on 07803 875638 or

Vikki (magazine distributor) on 07932 691427.

Thank you!

GOSBERTON CHURCHYARD PATH

As you may be aware, we plan to replace the churchyard path with a new, wider one. When work starts there will be **NO ACCESS ALLOWED** to the churchyard as both the entrance in Westhorpe Road and the one in Church Street will be blocked off. So while the work is being done you will need to walk the long way round using the High Street.

Debbie Reynolds, Parish Administrator

Gosberton Church 49 Club

In this age of increasing costs, it is good to know that some things have not changed.

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Leave a message if I am not around and I will ring you back

Mike Tarran

Dear Reader,

I must ask you some personal questions.

1. Are you a convicted criminal ?
2. Do you drive round in an uninsured car ?
3. Do you not bother with an M.O.T. certificate?
4. Do you have a highly infectious fungal condition?
5. Do you have serious personal hygiene issues ?

If the answer to all these questions is no, then there is no reasonable explanation why you could not be a volunteer for the Gosberton and Quadring Good Neighbours Scheme. We are always looking for volunteers as we are receiving ever more requests for help.

Our number is 07808 326511

David Casswell



being Gosberton Hall, a boys boarding establishment, founded in 1864 by the Headmaster, Mr C F Boyer BA. Work, proceeded by prayers, began at 6.45am. One pupil recorded that one of the Head's favourite maxims, quoted regularly, was, 'Air, water and temperance are the three cheapest doctors in the world and, unlike most other practitioners, the frequently they are called in the better'.

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In 1877 the Gosberton & Surfleet School Board decided to build a school in the Risegate. In 1879 the school was ready. By far the oldest school is that of the Robert Marjorum Trust. This school was a bequest from a gentleman of that name who, in his will of 1681-2 requested that money be set aside 'for teaching the children of poor widows and labouring men who live in Risegate and about the Fens'. In 1873 the present building was erected by public subscription after the old building had all but collapsed. This closed in 1906, but grants are still payable to any Fen scholar anxious to further his education.

The Marjorum Free School was often something of a bugbear to the Clough School Head, for children whose parents objected to School Board Fees were frequently taken away and sent back to the Free School where both fees and attendance were much more haphazard. A note of despair appeared in the Clough master's log when he reported that not only was he fighting the constant dribble of pupils back to the Marjorum Free School but also his own school's lack of hygiene. This lament was recorded the day he discovered 'eleven moles in the drinking water cistern'. Today all is changed and the Clough and Risegate School, with its forward thinking policy, keeps well in step with its neighbours.

Private schools once flourished in the village, the most influential

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regular weekly groups to meet and for one off parties and events.

For further information, please contact Sue Murphy on 01775 750334.



Methodist Church Thank you

Can we say a great big thank you to everyone who supported our recent Flower Festival? Also to those who came along and helped decorate our Church, helped with refreshments, stood behind a stall or greeted our visitors with a cheery smile.

We feel this was very much a community occasion so thank you if you popped along to see us.

Enough money was raised to allow the external work required, including painting to be completed.

Thank you



St Gilbert & St Hugh's Church
Gosberton Clough

SONGS OF PRAISE

with guest organist
David Shepherd

**Sunday, 8th September
at 6.00pm**

*Come and sing some favourite hymns
and listen to some wonderful organ music.*

Refreshments afterwards in the Church Hall.

The following article about local houses and schools was published in the Lincolnshire Life Magazine in 1969. It's interesting to compare these extracts to what is here today.

In the flourishing days of the monasteries, monks were quick to realise the potentials of the fenland. Gosberton has two houses with monastic connections. Rigbolt, which lies at the extreme of the parish, was once attached to Sempringham Priory. It was in 1280 that Ranulph, son of John de Rye, gave the 'Manor of Rigbolt' to the Prior of Sempringham. Rigbolt was described in 1793 as a place of solid substance with four foot walls and mullioned windows.

Just off the Spalding Road lies Monks Hall which once belonged to the Abbotry of Peterborough. Once moated and remote, the monks therein were not always as devout as they should have been and in 1406, the chief monk, Tom of Gosberkirk, was chided for over indulgence and use of a scurrilous tongue! In 1606 the house was bought by a Mr Edward Shipworth and rebuilt in 1729 when the cost of bricks was 11 shillings per 1000. Today Monks Hall and its thriving farm surround is the pleasant home of Mr & Mrs P Casswell and bears no signs of the excesses once indulged by Tom of Gosberkirk!

Among the smaller houses in the district, one of the more interesting lies in Westhorpe. Home of Mr & Mrs Rawding. Yew Tree House dates back in its oldest part to 1510, while the yew tree outside is believed to be the oldest in the county. A massive oak beam runs the length of the house and only recently Mr Rawding enclosed the huge old fireplace with its bake oven. Although no longer required, Mr Rawding keeps the old chimney climbing irons as a memento of the past.

MORE CLOUGH EVENTS FOR YOUR DIARY!

- ◇ **Heritage Day on Saturday 14th September** in Clough church & Hall from 10.30am to 4pm. Refreshments, stalls and lots to see!
- ◇ **Lincolnshire Evening Picnic Quiz Night on Saturday 5th October 2024** at 6.30pm in St Gilbert & St Hugh's Church Hall. How much



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Belinda on 07796 574280 or

Fran on 07818 275675

HELP WANTED IN QUADRING CHURCHYARD

Help is needed in weeding the flower beds along the church path and leading up to the church. Would you be willing to help. The flower beds have lots of shrubs in them so this would not be an onerous task.

Help is also needed to keep the churchyard tidy. Mainly to remove old wreaths and flowers from graves that have been there too long and to also keep an eye on the Garden of Remembrance and tidy it up when needed.

If you would like to help please contact Carrie on 07799 614594



GOSBERTON BAPTIST CHURCH MINISTER the Rev Steve Weatherly-Barton Morning Worship at 10.30am each Sunday

Our Flower and Craft Festival takes place over the August Bank Holiday weekend, opening on the Saturday 24th August through to Monday 26th August, inclusive. Saturday and Monday we are open from 10.30am to 4.30pm and Sunday 12.30pm to 4.30pm.



This year's theme is 'All God's Creatures Great and Small.' Besides the floral displays and craft stalls, there will also be plants, cakes, books, jig saws etc on sale, games and competitions, refreshments.

There will be entertainment by Spalding u3A singing for fun group on Saturday 2pm plus 60's guitar music by Edwin Lunn on Saturday and Monday afternoons. Organ recital on Sunday afternoon by Des Andrew. Look forward to see you during the weekend.

The Home Movie Shows continue on alternative months. A welcome extends to everyone, dates go on the Gosberton and Quadrang Community Website. Afternoon includes sandwiches, cakes and a drink, all for £3. For more information contact 01775 840185

The Wednesday fellowship meeting is fortnightly, alternating between the homes of the Rev Maurice and Ruth Perry and Mike and Pauline Clarke. Again all are welcome to join. For dates and venues, contact the minister or a church member.

Gosberton Well Being Walk meets in our church each Tuesday morning, and also twice weekly we host the 'Men's Shed' on a Monday from 6.30pm to 8.30pm and Thursday from 2.30pm to 4.30pm.

NEWS FROM GOSBERTON & DISTRICT LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Upcoming Society Meeting

The next History Society meeting is scheduled to be held on **12th August 2024**, starting earlier than normal, at 6pm, in the Church Hall.

The format will be different, too. Rather than having the usual speaker, there will be displays and films to see but we will also be asking anyone, whether a member of the History society or not, who has memories, photos or other artefacts about Gosberton's past to come along and share them. We will try to record or copy contributions either during the meeting or make arrangements to follow up later so that they are safeguarded for the future. Many of us hold pieces of the jigsaw of Gosberton's history so let's try to put as many of them together as possible before they disappear.

At the same meeting, if you have queries about the village or your family's history, tell us about them and we will do our best to help. All this for the usual admission fee of £1 - a bargain if ever there was one!

Quarterly Newsletter

Members of Gosberton & District Local History Society receive a digital copy of the Society's quarterly newsletter, '**Gosberton's Past Times**.' Each issue is jam-packed with stories, news and photographs about the history of the people, places and events of Gosberton, Risegate and Clough. Joining the Society is free of charge, with no obligations. If you'd like to know more, contact Stuart Henderson by email at gosberton@btinternet.com

Gosberton Heritage Day 2024

Last year's Gosberton Heritage Day - focused on the history of the Gosberton area - proved to be so successful that the Society has decided to put on another such event - with new exhibits - later this year. Full details will be published in the next issue of the Gosberton Community Magazine.

GOSBERTON CHURCH OPEN DAY—20TH JULY

Thank you to everyone who contributed in any way to the success of this years open day. The refreshments were delicious and tower tours proved very popular with around 40 adults and children enjoying a very interesting hour in the tower. Tombola prizes were all donated and the cake stall nearly sold out of cakes. We also had a lovely plant stall stocked with a wide variety of plants, courtesy of Sue Cooper and her Grandson Tom. There was a 50/50 stall with the prize won by Geoff Taylor and a second-hand book stall where several books and DVD's were purchased. The History Society stand had a lot of visitors and the Gosberton Handbell Ringers were also present. The weather was lovely and hot and many people visited the church. The total

raised towards our roof appeal was £1056.71. Some pictures follow:



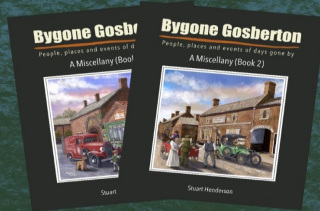
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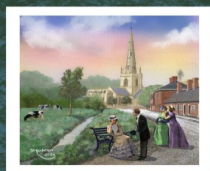
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If you would like any events, clubs or groups added to the calendar please let me know. I need date, time, ticket/admission price, contact details and a description of the event. There will be no charge for this advert.

Please contact Debbie on 07803 875638 or email: deborah.reynolds90@hotmail.co.uk

Bygone Gosberton Facebook Page

If you are interested in the history of the Gosberton area, then you should follow the 'Bygone Gosberton' Facebook Page, which is 100% dedicated to Gosberton & District history. As well as lots of old photos and historical information, you can keep abreast of upcoming history events and publications. Just go to Facebook and search for 'Bygone Gosberton.'

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If you'd like to consider making a booking, please phone: 07828 245588 for details.

BINGO AT GOSBERTON YOUTH CENTRE

- ◆ Weekly bingo with Ann takes place at the Youth Centre on Wednesdays. Doors open at 6.15pm for a 7pm start. Flyer, jackpot & raffle. Teas & coffees.
- ◆ Saturday fortnightly bingo with Elise started on 20th January. Doors open at 6.15pm for a 7pm start. Flyer, jackpot & raffle. Teas & coffees.

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Please contact:

Frances Newton on 07920 290012 or

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Grants available for full time students towards costs of books and resources.

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Harvest Festival Service

11am in Gosberton Church

on

Sunday 1st September

followed by Lunch in the Church Hall

Tickets for the lunch are £12 per person

Menu:

Selection of cold meats

Pork Pie

Various salads

Jacket potato

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Vegetarian option available

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Selection of delicious desserts

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Tea or Coffee

Please bring your own wine or soft drinks, we can provide a cork screw and glasses.

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All proceeds will go towards the church roof fund.

To book your ticket please phone **07803 875638**

Quadring WI

We meet on the 2nd Wednesday of every month at 7.15pm in Quadring St Margaret's Hall and would be really pleased if you would like to join us.



If you have a question about Quadring WI please message us through our Facebook page 'Quadring Women's Institute' or call/text Elizabeth Stott on 07400 589555.

Annual membership £35.00. Non-members very welcome - £5.00 fee.

SAVE THE DATE!!!



I know this is early, but please save a date in your diary of **16th November**. This is the date Gosberton Church are having their annual Christmas Fayre, which will be held in the Church Hall.

The date is a Saturday and we will be open from 10am to 4pm.

There will be lots of different stalls, including a cake stall which will be selling Christmas wreaths too. Refreshments include homemade soup, sandwiches, cakes, mincepies and scones.

Everyone welcome.

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In Quadring, and
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We are a group of local ladies who meet at 7.15pm on the 2nd Wednesday of every month in St Margaret's' Hall, Quadring.

We have an interesting speaker, a guided craft activity or local charity representative to inform or entertain us ~ hopefully both.

To join April '23—March '24
£35.00

or visitors £4.50 per meeting

For information call 07400 589555

CLOUGH HARVEST FESTIVAL

Sunday 22nd September

11am in St Gilbert & St Hugh's Church followed by lunch in Clough church Hall.

Tickets for the lunch are available from :

Frances 07818 275675

Belinda 07796 574280

David 01775 750244



There was a painter named Michael who was very interested in making a penny where he could, so he often thinned down his paint to make it go a wee bit further. As it happened, he got away with this for some time, but eventually the local church decided to do a big restoration job on the outside of their building.



Michael tendered his bid and he got the job because his price was so low. So he set about erecting the scaffolding, setting up the planks, buying the paint, and yes, thinning it down. Well, Michael was up on the scaffolding, painting away, the job nearly completed, when suddenly there was a horrendous clap of thunder, the sky opened, and the rain poured down washing the thinned paint off the church and knocking Michael off the scaffold to land on the ground, surrounded by tell tale puddles of the thinned and useless paint.

Michael was no fool. He knew this was a judgment from the Almighty, so he got down on his knees and cried: "Oh, God, Oh God, forgive me; what should I do?" And from the thunder, a mighty voice spoke, "Repaint! Repaint! And thin no more!"

It's History!

Halfway through my time at secondary school we began to specialise in the subjects in which we thought we were most likely to achieve O-Level passes. For me at that time History was a non-starter. Learning about events and dates was so boring!

My History teacher, Mr Hunt, was a very pleasant man, greatly respected by those who went on to study the subject at a higher and deeper level. He wrote this in my last ever end-of-term History report.

'Knows no facts whatsoever, but writes quite brilliantly about what he doesn't know.'

I'm rather proud of that report, and I confess that nowadays I find history utterly fascinating and profoundly important, not least because it is an enduring reminder of the mistakes we should learn from. One such mistake is believing that deeply flawed leaders deserve our support if they promise to make our lives better.

A great, if flawed leader once dared to make a searingly honest promise; 'I have nothing to offer but blood, toils, tears and sweat.' Across the Channel another leader was promising to 'Make Germany Great Again', and he dangled that carrot so effectively that most of his countrymen didn't watch his methods too closely. My

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The following events are held in at the Youth Centre:

- **Bingo every Wednesday** except 4th Sept when GYC is closed.
- **Bingo fortnightly** from Saturday 3rd August
- **Junior Youth Hub** last Friday of month for age 7 to 11 years. 5pm to 6.45pm. Nightly subs are £1 per child. Music, games, pool, crafts, air hockey, darts, tuckshop, quiet corner. Parent/Guardian drop off and pick up.
- **Senior Youth Hub** 2nd & last Fridays of each month. For school years 7 to 11. 7pm to 9pm. £1 per child per session. Digi Den incl PlayStation 5 & Xbox X, pool, air hockey, table tennis, darts, football, badminton, basketball, snack bar.
- **Community Hub** 1st Saturday in month except 7th September, see poster on page 21

Please note that Gosberton Youth Centre is closed from 2nd to 10th September so that a new floor can be laid in the Sports Hall.

For further information email:

gosbertonyouthcentre@gmail.com

teacher of A-Level German once confessed to me that if he had had the vote, when he was doing post-graduate studies at a German university in the 1930s, he would, to his undying shame, have supported Adolf Hitler.

'Our citizenship', wrote the Apostle Paul to his Christian friends, 'is in heaven.' To love our earthly country is admirable; to worship it, right or wrong, is not. The ancient Israelites were constantly called to remember that they had once been slaves and wanderers. 'The foreigner residing among you must be treated as your native-born. Love them as yourself, for you were foreigners in Egypt.' (*Numbers 19:34*).

'Those who cannot remember the past', said George Santayana, 'are condemned to repeat it.' I hope my history teacher would have been pleased at my slight improvement!

Revd Steve Weatherly-Barton

Gosberton Churchyard - HELP REQUIRED PLEASE.

Is there anyone who is prepared to help keep the Churchyard tidy? The grass is regularly mown but there are areas that require regular weeding/hoeing etc. Any help would be appreciated. Please contact Iris Bennett on **01775 841027** or by email on **irisbennett387@outlook.com**

I look forward to hearing from you.

Thank you

GOSBERTON LADIES CIRCLE

We've been lucky enough, these last three months, to have had some more very entertaining meetings.

In May the U3A choir came to sing to us and amuse us with their sketches. We were joined by some of our neighbours from Gosberton House and we all had a lot of laughs, plus a happy sing-a-long session. In



June Gill Walsh gave an illustrated talk about Kew Gardens, that made us all want to go and visit the site immediately! And in July Diane showed us how to make cards, generously providing all the materials for everyone and patiently sharing her knowledge. (She'd make a great teacher!) Throughout this time we've continued making ring purses & hearts for the local hospice - so "thank you" to all the ladies who are still contributing with their time and

talent.

The Circle meets on the second Thursday of each month, in the Gosberton Methodist Church, at 7.30pm. There is no joining fee; we each pay £4 per session, which includes tea/coffee/ biscuits. New members are always welcome. For more information ring Maggie on 01775 841396.

FUTURE MEETINGS:

Thursday 8th August - A.G.M.

Thursday 12th September - A talk by a hairdresser

Thursday 10th October - To be arranged

We hope that all our members enjoy a sunny August and a mellow autumn!

Carol, Maggie & Pat



QUADRING HARVEST FESTIVAL

Friday 27th of September is the date that has been booked for Quadring Church Harvest Festival service followed by a supper.

The venue will be St Margaret's church.

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THINGS TO DO & PLACES TO GO

I am always amazed by the variety of things to do around this area. If you like being out and about there are plenty of interesting events available.

For example, in the last few weeks I've heard a talk about all the things found in local fields by a metal detectorist (courtesy of the Gosberton History Society in the church hall), listened to comments about antiques from Colin Young (in the Methodist chapel), celebrated Ray & Geraldine's wedding (in May), went to the D-Day lunch (in the public hall), attended the village fete (on the Gosberton field & in the youth centre) and drunk quite a few teas and coffees in the Victoria Tea Room.



Going further afield: Captain Flinders was reburied in Donington, I saw a birds of prey flying demonstration in Baytree (my favourite bird was the kestrel), I visited the Isaac Newton House near Grantham, Lincoln Bomber Command in Canwick Hill



& the Bubble car Museum in Langrick. This



museum is full of 1950's & 60's memorabilia, not just bubble cars. It's a fascinating walk down memory lane – and only £5 entrance. None of these venues are more than 28

miles from Gosberton. I am really looking forward to autumn in this area!



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DOG SITTING



My name is Frankie and I'm a brown labrador. My people say I'm very attractive and intelligent, so I think I've got them pretty well trained. They recently left me, to go on holiday, and a relative from Gosberton came to Yorkshire to look after me. She's never had a dog of her own, so I knew I'd have my work cut out training her.

For example, she didn't know about the etiquette involved in playing ball my way.

She foolishly thought she'd throw it and I'd immediately return it. She didn't realise that I have to run around for a bit, with the ball in my mouth, to make it nice and full of doggie saliva for when I return it to her.

Then there's meal times. I look at her, then I look at my food cupboard – it's not rocket science! It took me a few barks to make her understand that I knew when it was food time, even if she didn't.

She also foolishly thought that I'd sleep in my dog basket at night time. How ridiculous! Everyone knows that beds are for sleeping in - and I let her have at least a third of the bed. I think I was a very useful extra blanket for her.

And she was a complete novice when it came to the local dog field. My people had booked us in for a session every day. I know that you enter a code into a box by the door, the door opens and in you go. She could never remember the code and had to look in her bag for it every time; meanwhile, I helpfully barked and pulled at her lead, trying to encourage her. It was great when we were in there and I did try to keep her on the move and give her some exercise. At the end of our session I made sure she was safely back on the lead and took her home.

Walking on the lead was something else she wasn't used to.

GOSBERTON ACADEMY As another academic year draws to a close, I am delighted to share the many wonderful achievements and moments of success that have taken place at our school this term. It has been a period filled with excitement, growth, and celebration.

Firstly, I am thrilled to announce that our Summer Fair was a tremendous success, raising over £2200 for our school. This remarkable achievement is a testament to the support and generosity of our school community.

Our Year 6 Leavers' Play, titled 'I'm an 11-year-old, get me out of here', showcased the incredible acting talents of our pupils. The performances were outstanding, and it was heartwarming to see our young learners shine on stage.

Our recent Church Service was a beautiful event, with the church filled with family members witnessing our learners deliver moving songs, poems, and readings. It was a truly special moment of unity and shared joy.

The Parent Showcase was another highlight, with a fantastic turnout of family members. It was a joy to see our learners demonstrate their skills and talents to their loved ones.

One of the highlights of the term was the 'Soak the Teacher' event, where myself, Mr. Johnson, and Miss Fletcher embraced the spirit of fun and allowed our learners to drench us with buckets of water. It was a memorable and enjoyable experience for all involved.

As we bid farewell to Miss Chadburn, Miss Ingamells, and Miss Fletcher, we wish them all the best in their future endeavours. Miss Chadburn will be taking on the role of Head of School at Gedney Church End Academy, and Miss Fletcher will embark on her teacher training journey. Miss Ingamells is moving on to her first teaching role, and we are confident she will excel.

Personally, I am embarking on a new venture as the Executive Headteacher of Gosberton Academy and Gedney Church End Academy. I am excited about this opportunity and look forward to the new challenges ahead. I want to wish you all a fantastic summer break filled with rest, relaxation, and cherished moments with loved ones. Thank you for your continued support and dedication to our school.

Warm regards, Mr. Baxter

Gosberton Methodist Church.

Morning Worship 10.30am Every Sunday
(Please see notice board outside Church for more details)

Every Thursday Morning 9.30am - 11.00am (Not last Thursday of the month) we are open please feel free to pop in for a cuppa & Chat.

Emporium Sales 10am - 12.30am

Come along and grab a bargain hot drinks and cakes are served at these events:

31st August,
28th September,
26th October

Craft Afternoon 2pm-4pm

19th August
16th September
21st October

Bring along your knitting, crochet, patchwork etc. or hire a jigsaw for £1. Or just come along for a cuppa and natter, men most welcome.

Light Lunches

This is open to everyone to come along between 11.30am - 1.30pm. The dates are: 13th August, 10th September & 8th October

Harvest Festival

6th October 10.30am Morning Worship led by Rev Dr Andrew Stobart, Followed by Lunch, please book your lunch with Belinda 840441 or Celia 841026

She didn't realise that I had to check out all the peemails left by my fellow canines, that I needed to allow other people to admire me and pat me as we walked along, and that I always knew where I was going.



After a week she'd learnt quite a bit, but was definitely a slow learner. Next time she comes to stay I suspect she's going to need a lot of repetition and revision. I know you have to reward good behaviour in a positive way, so I must remember to lick her a lot and let her play ball with me, so that she can gradually learn to become a proper dog sitter.

GOSBERTON RELIEF IN NEED CHARITY

TRUSTEES OF GOSBERTON RELIEF IN NEED CHARITY WILL MAKE A
DISTRIBUTION OF MONIES TO PENSIONERS
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The Distribution will be made on
THURSDAY 5TH DECEMBER 2024
at Gosberton Public Hall
FROM 10.30 AM TO 12.30PM
at Clough Church Hall
FROM 2PM TO 3.30PM

Proof of receipt of State Pension must be shown.

The Trustees also invite applications from people of all ages who can present a case of **REAL AND UNAVOIDABLE** need. Applicants should live in the parishes of Gosberton, Gosberton Clough or Gosberton Risegate. Grant application forms are available from:

**Mrs F Newton, Nelsons Cottage, Clough Road, Gosberton Clough
PE11 4JN Tel: 07920 290012**

Gosberton Clough & Risegate Primary School

Small School's Week 2024



Every year we choose a theme for this special week that is celebrated across many small schools in the country, especially those who are members of NASS (National Association of Small Schools) such as ourselves, with less than 100 children on role. We have taken part in a variety of activities in the past, ranging from days out, guest speakers and lots of different activities for the children to enjoy. This year's theme was **'The Great Outdoors'** which ties in brilliantly with our Farm to Fork Curriculum. We've always placed behaviour, mental health and wellbeing high on our list of priorities for both children and staff throughout the year and Small School's Week celebrations are greatly anticipated as a time to ensure we reward and celebrate what makes our small school so unique. Everyone's worked tirelessly to provide the best possible education for our children, and they all amaze us each day with their attitudes and progress. We are very proud of every child in our school family. This week was all about celebrating how special it is to be part of a small, rural, community primary school.

Monday 17th June - Outdoor Activity Day. Mr Wiles is a keen botanist and held a terrarium workshop. We used recycled plastic bottles as a home for these mini ecosystems to grow and thrive. We built each layer up patiently and enjoyed the sensory aspect of the building process. We also explored our school grounds, meeting up with one of our School Governors who helped up to weed and plant some extra crops.



Tuesday 18th June - Apple Day. For Apple Day, we made bird feeders and then Willow Class made some delicious Apple Puffs. Apple day even included fraction work in maths using apples to help. Did you know that there are over 7,500 varieties of apples grown worldwide?

Wednesday 19th June - 'All about Bees' The local members of the British Beekeeper Association came to visit, and children had the chance to see up close how a beehive works and how honey is created. We even got to try some varieties of honey produced locally. Also on Bee Day, we used our curriculum kitchen and the produce from our farm to fork area, as well as honey from the bee visitors, to cook a healthy honey glazed chicken and chard salad with halloumi for everyone in Maple Class to try. Yummy! We loved the bees so much that we plan to have our own by next year and we will plant even more native wildflowers in our school grounds to help them out. It's important to look after the bees.

Thursday 20th June - Summer Picnic. The sun was out this week and all children walked down to our friends at The Clough Methodist's Chapel for an afternoon of fun outdoor games and a delicious picnic. Our oldest children in Oak Class love spending time with our younger children and they all enjoyed the food and games on offer. Reverend Luke enjoyed taking part in our parachute games too and a great fun day was had by all.

Friday 21st June - World Music Day. On Friday, we celebrated 'National Music Day'. Here, the children learnt how to read, write and play music. In Chestnut Class the children learnt the Nursey Rhyme 'Twinkle, Twinkle Little Star' and followed the crotchets that told them how many beats they must hold each note for. Our Y5s were the latest group to learn how to play the ukelele too and this is with thanks to the excellent tuition provided by John Lyons of The Parish of Boston.

