

The Old Crown - Use it or lose it

The Old Crown over the last few months has been unfortunate that some of the Managers have not had the local interest at heart. At the moment we have Dawn and Geoff who are very hospitable and welcoming, especially towards the villagers. The food is also very good. Please try to support them as much as possible and make our local local again before we lose it completely.

Brian and Anne Sale

Pasta & Wine Evening

The Pasta and Wine evening at the end of November was a great success. The Zannotto family did a wonderful job providing, not only a warm and welcoming venue, but also a delicious (and substantial) meal. It was a lovely start to the Advent season, where everyone had a good time. Thank you to Betta, Francesco, Titi and Russell for all your hard work.

Joyce Kingsbury - used stamps

Joyce has agreed to receive any used stamps that you save for Mrs Davidson in Roade. Please deliver them to Joyce at 8A Hartwell Road and she will take them to Mrs Davidson. If you have not saved stamps in previous years, perhaps you could do so over Christmas as the used stamps help in charity fund raising. Thank you.

Ashton Fields Charity

At this time of year, pensioners in Ashton receive a small sum of money towards their heating bills from the Ashton Fields Charity. The funds are raised by renting two fields belonging to the Charity. If you are a pensioner living in Ashton, please call Delia Farrand on 863225 and your name will be added to the list.

David and Delia Farrand would like to thank all who have made donations towards the production of the Ashton Village News. The donations cover the printing costs. We do not charge for the time we spend producing and delivering the newsletter.

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Christmas and New Year

at the



OLD CROWN



Geoff and Dawn welcome you all to the
Old Crown



Our Christmas opening times are:

Christmas Eve to 11.30pm

Christmas Day 11.00am to 1.00pm

Boxing Day 11.00am to 3.00pm

New Years Day 11.00am to 3.00pm



Ashton School Christmas performance

Ashton Primary School are holding their Christmas performance 'It's a baby' on **Tuesday 16th December**. The afternoon performance is open to anyone from the village who would like to come and see the children perform, refreshments provided. The performance starts at 2pm and lasts for approximately half an hour.



The children will also be singing and playing the hand chimes at the service on Sunday 21st December in Ashton Church.

Sue Campbell

NEW YEARS EVE PARTY



THE OLD CROWN
£5 ENTRY PER PERSON

(ALL DOOR MONEY GIVEN TO

ASHTON SCHOOL)

FANCY DRESS, IF YOU LIKE!

- PRIZES FOR THE BEST

BIG SOUNDS FROM GEOFFS DISCO

BUTTIES AT 12



PLEASE TELL US IF YOU ARE COMING - ALL WELCOME

Coffee Morning

Thursday 8th January
3 Cooks Close (Anne Sale)
10.30am to 12 noon

Bring and Buy, Raffle, Friends and Conversation

All proceeds in aid of Church Funds
Everbody welcome

Your Last Chance

To order
Christmas Puddings,
Brandy Butter
or, new this year,
delicious Chocolate
Puddings
from Marion
on 864254

Church News

Carol Service

Ashton Church - Sunday 21st December
10.30am

Date for your Diary
Sunday January 18th

Official Opening and Dedication of the refurbished Church and "open space". The Archdeacon of Northampton, Rev. Christine Allsop, is coming to the Family Service on 18th at 10.30am to mark this event. We would like as many people from the village as possible to come along to this service to see

the new facilities and to bring their ideas and suggestions of how it can best be used. The PCC are keen to see a variety of activities taking place, which will serve the whole community. To book an event, please contact Stephanie Fowler on 862904.



50/50 Lottery

The draw for the Lottery was made at the coffee morning on 11th December.

Bonus Prize	£69.75	Mike Learoyd
First Prize	£43.75	Yvonne Hardman
Second Prize	£26.25	Jim Jolly
Third Prize	£8.75	Bryan Skinner

Since the 50/50 Club began in April, £697.50 has been raised towards Church funds. This is a great help towards general maintenance of the building and the PCC is grateful for your continuing support.

Church Reordering Hand Over

On 9th December there was a formal handover by the builders, as most of the major structural work has been completed. There is still a fair amount of work to be done before completion. The electrics need to be upgraded and heating and lighting to be modernised. All in time for our Christmas celebrations !

Do come along to any of the services and see how things are shaping up.

