

## Ashton Church Services

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| Sunday 2 December  | 8.15am  | HOLY COMMUNION        |
| Sunday 9 December  | 8.15am  | HOLY COMMUNION        |
| Sunday 16 December | 3.00pm  | VILLAGE CAROL SERVICE |
| Sunday 23 December | 3.30pm  | EVENSONG              |
| Monday 24 December | 11.30pm | MIDNIGHT MASS         |
| Sunday 30 December | 8.15am  | HOLY COMMUNION        |

The church will be decorated for our Christmas services on Saturday 15 December from 9.30am to 11.00am. Anyone who has flowers, greenery, or can lend a hand, will be most welcome.

**Don't forget** - The last **Coffee Morning** of the year will be held on Wednesday **12 December** from 10.00am to 11.30am in The Barn at Vale Farmhouse, Stoke Road. Coffee and biscuits for £1 plus a raffle, bring & buy stall. There will be also some home-made cakes and produce. If anyone is in need of transport, please ring Marion on 864254.

## ASHTON SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION Bonfire Night Thanks

"Thank You!" to everyone who contributed to making our bonfire night such a success. It was a real village team effort! We had a good turn out, good weather and everyone enjoyed themselves. Thanks everyone for coming! We are extremely grateful to everyone at the Old Crown for generously providing the fireworks and the venue and, of course, to Bernard, Pete and Derek for the organisation and lighting of the bonfire and fireworks. Without them there would be no bonfire night. Thanks to Mrs Dallagiovanna and the infants for making such a fantastic guy. It was a shame to burn him! A huge thank you to those on the gate and those who donated raffle prizes, sold raffle tickets and helped with advertising and organisation both beforehand and on the night. We raised a grand total of £1018. We will be using the money to buy more books for our school library and benches for the playground which will benefit all our children.

Well done everybody!

### Useful Contacts

Parish Council Chairman - Bernard Day 862383    Community Policeman - PC Goddard 01327 303209  
Parish Council Clerk - Stephanie Fowler 862904    Towcester Police Station Western Area 01327 303245  
Footpath Warden - Peter Coulson 864214    Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator - David Farrand 863225  
Ashton District Councillor - Martin Wilson 864254    Village Internet Site - [www.ashtonvillage.co.uk](http://www.ashtonvillage.co.uk)

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## ASHTON SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION



**FRIDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2001  
at the MENS OWN RUGBY CLUB**

**PLEASE COME AND JOIN US**  
**The children will be singing Carols at 7.00pm and the  
disco will follow at 7.30pm till 11.00pm**

**Please bring along your family and friends to join us  
(Licensed Bar)**

**ADULTS    £2.00    CHILDREN    £1.00**  
**(Children must be accompanied by an adult)**

**We would gratefully receive any donations for the Christmas  
Hamper and the Raffle. Both will be drawn on the night.**

**Please drop them into the school**

**or telephone**

**DIANE    863339    ELAINE    864124    YVONNE    862628**

## ASHTON CE PRIMARY SCHOOL

News from Ashton School - December is nearly here and lots of things are happening in school.

### Carol Concert

The most important one I would like to tell you about is the afternoon of the 14 December. On that afternoon at 2pm we would like to invite the Senior Citizens of the village to a Carol Concert by the children. After the carols, the Year 6 children will serve tea and cakes. There will be a free raffle organised by the Parents' Association. I would like to extend a warm welcome to everyone and hope you will be able to attend.

### Milk with a smile

Two Year 6 pupils at Ashton have been awarded a certificate and badge for their efforts to help the younger children in the school. Rebecca Chinn and Sharon Young have worked very hard this term as milk monitors giving the younger children their playtime milk.



On behalf of my family and myself, I would like to thank all who offered help and the many cards of sympathy we received following Fred's death. It has been a great comfort to us all.

Annie Smith

### Business Opportunity

Are there any local business or businessmen who would be interested in promoting their business by promoting Ashton CE Primary School. We invite sponsors to consider the advantages of co-ordinating their advertising effort with a worthy cause. We are a local school with a lot to offer but need funds to promote the school in the wider community. We have a working party set up specifically to co-ordinate this effort which could also benefit you.

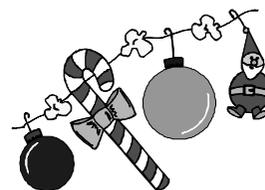
To discuss these opportunities please contact Dene Warren 863039

## ASHTON SCHOOL PARENTS ASSOCIATION



# CHRISTMAS BAZAAR

The children of Ashton CE Primary School invite you to their Christmas Bazaar to be held at school on



**FRIDAY 7 DECEMBER**  
**3.15pm to 5.30pm**



**There will be Christmas Gifts, Tombola, Mulled Wine, Mince Pies, a Cake Stall and lots more!**

**Please come and support your local school. If you have any items to donate for the various stalls, please either drop them into school or phone Diane Shadforth on 863339 or Elaine Campbell in 864124 to arrange collection. Many Thanks**

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### Village Cross and Garden

The design of the garden to be sited at the base of the village cross has been drawn up, thanks to Jan Shepherd and her small team. A scaled drawing of the proposed garden area and the surrounding green and roads is available. Anyone wishing to see this plan should contact Delia on 863225 or Mike on 862415

Site preparation and planting will start in late February or early March. Hopefully we can depend on voluntary labour for most of this work. We will also be encouraging Ashton families to "Buy a Plant" for the garden.

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### Christmas Fayre

The Christmas Fayre held recently at The Barn, Vale Farmhouse raised £1600 which was donated to Church Funds. Congratulations to everyone who worked so hard to make the event a great success. A special thank you goes to Mr and Mrs Zannotto for allowing the use of their beautiful home.