



We are pleased you moved to Ashton and we would like to let you know more about the village, places of interest and the events that take place here.

There is an Ashton website (www.ashtonvillage.co.uk) that has a great deal of information on it

HOW WE COMMUNICATE WITH EACH OTHER:

We are very fortunate to have a free newsletter that is delivered to each house once every 4 to 6 weeks (or sooner if a need arises) known as the **Ashton Village News (AVN)**. We also have a **group email** that is used to let people know of events or important items. You can join the group email by sending your own email address to Sandra Lemon on lemon.sandra07@gmail.com or David Farrand on david@farrand.co.uk

THE OLD CROWN PUBLIC HOUSE:

Tel: 01604 862268

Fax: 07884509736

www.theoldcrownashton.co.uk

<p><i>Opening Times:</i> Tuesday - Friday 12 midday to 3pm and 6pm to 11.30pm Saturday - 12 midday to 11.30pm Sunday - 12 midday to 10.30pm</p>	<p><i>Food Served:</i> Tuesday - Friday 12 midday to 3pm and 6pm to 9.30pm Saturday - 12 midday to 9.30pm Sunday - 12 midday to 6.00pm</p>
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GROUPS AND CLUBS THAT MEET IN THE OLD CROWN:

Old Crown Book Club meets on the fourth Tuesday at 8 pm. All Welcome

The 12 O'clock Club meets at The Old Crown on the third Tuesday of the month at 12 O'clock. Anyone can come along to enjoy a meal and a chat. If you fancy coming along just ring the pub to book your place. **Tel: 01604 862268**

Mah Jongg Group meet in the pub on the first and third Thursday evening

ASHTON C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL:

Mrs Melanie Whitlock (Head Teacher)

Ashton Church of England Primary School

Road Hill

Ashton

Northampton

NN7 2JH

Tel / Fax: 01604 863189

email: Bursar@Ashton.Northants-ECL.gov.uk

web site: www.ashtonprimary.org



"We are a small village primary school with 35 children on roll. Children are taught in two classes- infant and junior. The school offers a warm and caring family atmosphere in which children thrive. Facilities are excellent and the children enjoy a wide variety of different learning opportunities."

The school underwent an OFSTED inspection in December 2012 and was rated Good

The school is located next to St Michael and All Angels Church and has very close links with the parish. Children regularly hold services in church and take part in village services to celebrate Christmas, Harvest and Mothering Sunday.

The school website is well worth a visit and the school welcomes parents who want to have a look at the facilities. www.ashtonprimary.org

Mums & Tots in the School at 1:30 p.m. Mums & Tots meet weekly on a Thursday afternoon during term time. The group is a good way to introduce your little one to other children and to meet other parents or even grandparents.

There is a choice of secondary schools in the area with the nearest being Elizabeth Woodville in Roade. 01604 862125

At Elizabeth Woodville they have the Willison Centre which is a gym and swimming pool facility open to the public and also a Surestart Centre which offers support for parents and activities for children.

Ashton Parish Council:

The Parish Council meets on the second Wednesday of the month at 7:15 pm in the School hall. There is a public session and all are welcome to attend. Following the meeting the minutes are published on the Parish Council Website and on the 3 notice boards in the village. The agenda for the meetings is also published on the Parish Council website and on the 3 notice boards in the village.

They are found on Stoke Road Green, on the end of the Old Crown and along Hartwell Road in Little Ashton. The agenda is also sent out with an email prior to the meeting for those on the Ashton email group.

For the names and contact details of the Parish Councilors or to read the minutes of the meetings see the Ashton Parish Council Website on <http://www.ashtonpc.org.uk>

ST MICHAELS AND ALL ANGELS CHURCH, ASHTON:

The Rector of our church is

Rev Michael Burton

St Mary's Vicarage

18 Hartwell Road

Roade

Northampton

NN7 2NT

(01604) 862284



Family Service at St Michael's and All Angels Church, Ashton

at 10:30 a.m. On the third Sunday every month we have a church service for all the family. Everyone welcome. Other services as advertised on the Church notice board or in Share Parish Magazine. If you wish to visit the church the key is available from the Old Crown or from the churchwarden who is Bernard Day on **01604 862 383**

Sunday School is on the Third Sunday in the month at 10:30 a.m.

Drop in and Book Exchange in St Michael's Church Hall at 10:30 a.m. on the Third Saturday morning in the month This is a great way to meet people, have a coffee or tea and a chat and pick up books from our vast selection. **Everyone welcome. For more information contact Wendy Turvey on 01604 863627**

Bell Ringing at the Church This is fortnightly on a Tuesday evening and alternates between Ashton and Roade churches. Everyone welcome to come along and join in. You can learn to bell ring, it is great fun, sociable and wonderful exercise. You can get more details from Marian Wilson on **01604 864254**

Ashton Belles W I The W I meet on the **second Thursday** evening in the month in the Knights Hall at St Michaels Church at 7:30. There are speakers most months as well as outings and events. The monthly talk is posted on the notice boards. Visitors are welcome

BUS SERVICES:

We are on the route for the Number 33 bus between Northampton and Milton Keynes. There is a bus shelter outside the Old Crown Pub and the timetable for buses is on the notice board on the end of the Pub.

REFUSE COLLECTION AND RECYCLING:

The bins are collected on a Wednesday morning. Black bin and large food caddy one week, Blue bin, Green bin and large food caddy the next.

MEN'S OWN RUGBY CLUB:

Open to villagers to train, play rugby or just have a drink in the bar. They meet on Tuesday and Wednesday evenings at 7pm and on Saturday afternoon. They also have training for Young People on a Sunday morning.

The club has a licence bar with spacious rooms and is available for rental.

THE HISTORY OF ASHTON:

There is a great deal of information available about the history of Ashton, some from centuries ago and some more recent. We have history books available to buy and they can be obtained through Marian Wilson on **01604 864254** Or David Farrand on **01604 863225**.

David also organises some great history walks through the village from time to time and we let people know about them through the AVN or via email.

MOBILE BUTCHER AND GROCER:

Peter Clarke sells meat and groceries on Friday afternoon between 2:30 to 3:30 pm at various points around Ashton and Wednesday in Roade. Pete Clark is the Butcher and you can phone him on 07759081444 to ask him to call near you or find out his schedule.

FISH AND CHIP VAN:

Visits on a Friday evening from about 6 pm at various points in the village. You will hear the chip van bells when it arrives.

IN ROADE:

G P Surgery:

The Parks Medical Practice **01604 863100**

Library:

Open Wednesday to Friday 2pm to 6pm and Saturday 10 am to 2pm and Sunday 1pm to 4pm .

Post Office:

Open weekdays and Saturday morning.

There is a newsagent, estate agent, pharmacy and gift shop in Roade. There are good restaurants and several clubs from Beavers to Evergreens. A petrol station and a garage are on the 508. There is also a fish and chip shop and Chinese take away as well as a mobile Chinese chip van that parks in the lay-by in front of the old factory on the way into Roade.

There are **cashpoints** at the post office and the petrol station.

You can pick up a copy of Roade News from the library and this will give details of other services and activities available in Roade.

We also have regular events like **Bonfire Night on November 5th** at the Men's Own Rugby Club, **The Pumpkin Festival on Oct 31st on Stoke Road Green**, **Harvest festival and a Harvest Festival** supper at St Michaels Church and **Christmas Carols** in the village and round the Tree on the green, with hot chocolate and mince pies at the Old Crown afterwards, **Open Gardens** and **Roots** Weekends are arranged from time to time.

We also arrange litter picking to keep the village tidy.

This is just a suggestion of what is happening in the village. We hope you will feel able to join in with some or all the things we do.

