

West Moors Parish Council

Carols on The Petwyn 2017

It was wonderful to see so much support this year from those who attended the Carol Concert performance on the fresh Friday evening of December 8th 2017. A big 'thank you' should go to West Moors Youth and Community Club who organise this annual and traditional event. As promised, the evening consisted of carols, readings, the children's Christmas card competition presentation, raffles, a variety of stalls and a Barrow Race! Compered by Rev Andrew Rowland and with introductions by the Town Cryer Iain Mitchell, the atmosphere was cold but cosy.







The refurbished motifs on the lampposts added to the beautiful backdrop of the evening as well as the new blizzard and branch wrapping style festive lights in the trees on the Petwyn bringing the village to life for another Christmas. The evening was topped off by a visit from Santa on a motorbike ridden by Chris from Chris's Collectables, as Santa's Sleigh was in for repairs!!

As in previous years St.Martins' United Reformed Church hosted a Christmas Tree Festival the same evening which boasted lots of wonderful displays. Donations received totalled £600. Entries were free.









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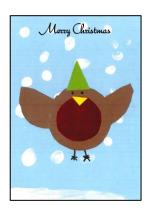
Red Barrow Race

This year's 'Carols on the Petwyn' festivities included a 'Red Barrow Race'. Each team (one in the barrow, one driver) had to raise £100 and their barrows had to be red. They raced around the Petwyn and the section of Station Road adjacent to it. The winner received a medal and a round of applause! It was highly entertaining to watch but probably harder than it looks, as the tipping over on the first corner showed! Hopefully this will become a 'Carols on the Petwyn' tradition for which anyone can enter with sponsorship.

Thank You to all those who attended but more importantly thank you to those who volunteered their time during the sharp weather that evening. Marshals you know who you are!!



Christmas Card Competition 2017



Winner Miss Ruby Taylor, Year 1 from St. Mary's C of E First School. Well Done!



Runner Up 1 Miss Ruby Herbert, Year 3 from St. Mary's C of E First School. Well Done!



Runner Up 2 Miss Ella Penwarden Year 4 from Oakhurst Community First School. Well Done!

The Parish Council once again ran the 'Children's Christmas card competition' to create a design which becomes the face of the West Moors Parish Council's Christmas card. Entries were received from children of St.Mary's First and Oakhurst Community First School from Reception to Year 4. The designs were initially judged by the schools then passed to the Chairman of the Council for the final decision.

The winner Miss Ruby Taylor received 20 copies of the printed Christmas card and also an art set. The runners up, Miss Ruby Herbert and Miss Ella Penwarden both received art sets as their prize. These were presented to them on stage after the Carol Concert by the Chairman of the Parish Council Cllr Penny Yeo.

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Who do we help

Grant to Oakhurst Community First School Sensory Room

On January 4th 2018 the Chairman of West Moors Parish Council Cllr Penny Yeo had the pleasure of visiting the new Sensory Room at Oakhurst Community First School with the £200 grant cheque awarded to them in November 2017.

Oakhurst has a number of children with Autism, ADHD and other behavioural issues who will benefit from this new equipment. The hope is that this new sensory room will give the children the opportunity to spend time in a secure environment when anxious or frustrated. The exercises should regulate their emotions in order for them to access their learning better.



Left to right: Students of Oakhurst Community First and Nursery School, Claire Aiken (SENCO) and Chairman Cllr Penny Yeo

REMEMBRANCE DAY PARADE 2017

Once again, the Royal British Legion and Parish Council were joined by many organisations and individuals at The War Memorial on the Petwyn on Sunday 12th November 2017 for the Service of Remembrance led by Churches Together. The generosity of people on the day with donations and purchase of poppies were much appreciated.

The total raised for RBL Poppy Appeal was £38.79.

Jean Ware Award (Formerly Legacy Award) 2017/18

The successful candidate for the 2017/18 Jean Ware Award was Charlotte Ayton,17, who was presented with the trophy by the Chairman of the Parish Council on Thursday 21st December 2017.

Charlotte has been successful at School, County and Region events and represented "Midlands and South West" in the English School Games Finals where she came third in this National Competition for Under 17s. Her hard work and success has led to her being selected to attend monthly training sessions at the Advanced Level Apprenticeship in Sporting Excellence (AASE) Programme at Bath University. West Moors Parish Council is pleased and proud to be able to help another young person fulfil their potential with the Jean Ware Award.



Charlotte Ayton and Chairman of West Moors Parish Council Cllr Penny Yeo

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Keep Britain Tidy March 3rd 2018

Please join us as everybody is welcome for our 2018 Big Litter Pick on Saturday 3rd March.

As we did last year we will meet outside the Co-op at 10:30am and clear as much litter as we can until 1pm Under 14's must be supervised by an adult.

Gloves, litter picking sticks and tabards will be provided. Refreshments available afterwards.

We look forward to seeing as many of the Community there as possible.

To get involved call 01202 861044 or email: westmoorsparish@btconnect.com



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Become a parish councillor and become part of the heart of your village. The stronger your council the stronger your Community. Help us maintain the character and beauty that surrounds us. Take part in influencing important decisions that affect your parish and the next generation. Please contact the Clerk Judi Weedon on 01202 861044 or email westmoorsparish@btconnect.com for further details. We welcome everyone and would love to talk to you.

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Food Waste Bags



Don't forget to purchase your Kitchen caddy food waste bags from the parish council office. They cost £4.00 for 52 bags and the parish council hasn't increased the price for over 5 years making us cheaper than local supermarkets