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EXCITING TIMES AHEAD FOR BROADWAY'S YOUNGSTERS

Did your son or daughter come home from school recently and tell you they had been helping to choose new equipment for the recreation ground? A committee set up by the Parish Council has been working on a scheme to replace the present recreation ground with a specially designed Activity Park for all ages, from toddlers to teenagers – and beyond. The cash is coming from a variety of sources, including the District and County Councils as major funders, along with development fund money earmarked for projects of benefit to the local community. Great care has been taken to consult the young people of Broadway and their needs and preferences have played a large part in the final design. Work on the development is scheduled to start soon, so you should see the first JCBs in action from the beginning of next month. This will mean that the present play area will be out of action over the coming winter, but by early summer the new Activity Park should be ready for its first users. Before then, however, there will be an opportunity for everyone to view the plans and more details will appear in your November Newsletter.

BROADWAY YOUTH CLUB

The club was formed way back in 1974 by a dedicated team of public spirited members of the public, one of whom, Nigel Page, still sits on our committee. We now meet on Tuesdays from 7 - 9pm and Thursdays from 6-8pm. We cater for children and young people from 5-19 at a cost of 75p per session. Snacks and drinks can be bought from our non-profit making bar. Our newly-formed senior committee have recently repainted the hall in bright colours and Doug Eyre has contributed a wall of caricatures to give the club a new image.

Our older members are desperate to learn car mechanics. We have a qualified mechanic, and would love to purchase kit cars– can you help with this? Would you also like to turf out your old pool cues, skateboards, scooters, roller blades, etc – we can make good use of them. We could also use any volunteer help with projects such as playing guitar or drums, and the girls would love to do jewellery making, fashion and dancing.

Betty Philips and her dedicated band of volunteers.

PS The young persons' email address is: haandr683@aol.com

Another exciting development is planned for September when Youth Club members will be invited to plan their very own Internet Café. Funding has been found and the telephone connection went in on July 24th.

SAHARA TREK FOR MUSIC CHARITY

Many of you will have read of Jane Shenton's plan to trek 100km over 6 days in support of Classic FM MusicMakers, the official registered charity of the radio station. The aim is to improve lives through the power of music by funding music therapy and education projects for children and adults.

Her target is £2,250 by 5 December. If you would like to help, then log on at www.justgiving.com/janeshenton or send a cheque to Classic FM Music Makers, 11 The Retreat, Leamington Road, Broadway, WR12 7CZ.

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BROADWAY FIRST SCHOOL

Summer Term is always a very busy time in the school year as we enjoy whole school events such as sports day, athletics evening, presentation assembly, and the school show.

On the 2nd and 3rd of July all the children took to the stage in the Lifford Hall to perform this year's show which was my version of 'The Snow Queen'. The staff and parents worked together to produce some amazing costumes and fantastic scenery, which enhanced the very capable and confident acting and singing of the children and made the show a great success.

The children had a number of opportunities to take part in a variety of sports, both in school and at inter-school competitions. These have included netball, football, sailing and kayaking, rounders, swimming and racing bell-boats at the Pershore Regatta. In addition, everyone in Years 4 and 5 had cycle training and passed their bronze or silver cycle proficiency tests. Our new tyre play equipment, which was installed in June, is proving to be very popular at playtimes and with the youth club children.

Our after school clubs for children this term have been well attended and provided children with a chance to do something they enjoy, including art, golf, netball, making a newspaper and gardening.

Our school year starts on the 4th September. Our two new teachers will be starting their second year with us. During the holidays the school is having its toilets completely replaced – not before time as they have been here for over 30 years – so that should make everyone's life a little more pleasant

This term we will be looking forward to such events as:

- Welcoming the new children and parents who are joining our school
- Working with the artist Jon Williams from Eastnor pottery to create four large clay animals
- Watching a performance by the Sealegs Puppet Theatre
- Watching a performance by the Working Space Theatre Group
- Taking part in Book Week activities
- Taking part in the Big Draw event
- Christmas nativity play and carols in St Michaels church

Church Services

St Michael's C of E: 1st Sun 10:30am/7:30pm; 2nd 8/10; 3rd 9:30/10:30; 4th 8/10:30; 5th 10:30

St Saviour's Catholic Church: Sat 6:00, Sun 10:00

Methodist: Sun 10:30am, 5.00pm

United Reformed Church: Sun 10:30am; 2nd Weds 12 noon healing.

Baptist Church: Chipping Campden, Sun 10:30am (with creche & Junior Church ages 4-16). And 6.30pm.

BROADWAY YOUTH ACTIVITIES WEEK

In August we celebrated our 30th year of this event, based at the URC. 83 children from 5-15 registered and 34 adults were involved with leading and helping. The theme was 'Going Bananas', based on a Scripture Union programme, and was linked with a study of what is meant by Fair Trade and Traidcraft. Many of the local shopkeepers were most patient and helpful in answering questions about their products and their origins!! The Thursday Outing saw 74 children and 13 adults (in two coach loads) descend on the Noah's Ark Zoo Farm at Wraxall, near Bristol. A great day was had by all and the weather was very kind to us. On Friday evening, we showed the parents what we'd been up to during the week and we had a social get-together afterwards.

Bill Nelson

BROADWAY CRICKET CLUB JUNIORS

Broadway Cricket Club has a thriving junior section. We practice regularly on Friday evenings throughout spring and early summer, with a summer coaching course in August. The club caters for ages 6 - 16, with competitive matches played at 12, 14 and 16 years in the Cotswold Hills League. This year the under 16's qualified for a nationwide knockout competition.

New members are always welcome as are families, both in support and socially.

Karalee Evans

BROADWAY AND TOWERVIEW PLAYGROUP

Broadway & Towerview Playgroup offers 2- 5 year old children educational care during term time. The staff team, all local people, three of whom have degrees in Early Childhood Studies, are dedicated to developing engaging, interesting and thought provoking activities with the children, both indoors and out. We visit the First School weekly and go to the village library, post office, and doctors' surgery as well as the park and hairdressers, using all these experiences to develop role play back at the playgroup. It is important for our children to be aware of how their village works so they draw maps, look at photos they have taken and retell the walks on our return. Playgroup is all about creativity; making plenty of mess and using different media to communicate experiences, negotiating verbally as they work. At the end of the summer term the whole group walked down from Broadway Tower; the children carried their own rucksacks and finished with play at the park where they then prepared their own sandwiches and fruit. Our aim is for our children to be happy, confident and resourceful people on their first steps in the world of education.

Jude Simms – playgroup manager

Bertie's Banter

Bertie has just returned with Mrs Bertie (couldn't shake her off, ha ha) from a long sojourn in his favourite parts of Italy - and what does he find? Everything has changed, that's what. First, it appears the graveyards are all full around here because tombstones have appeared on the outskirts of the village. I haven't had time yet to read the inscriptions but what have the poor devils been doing? Are we bumping people off who don't fit the village "profile" and quietly burying them on the bypass?

I think we should be told.

Secondly, the bus stop on the High Street has disappeared. I was expecting this to be removed but in my ignorance I thought some other means of rest and perhaps shelter would be provided for the poor souls who have to wait for a bus. It appears the remaining space has now reverted to private property with railings around. I was never a fan of the old bus shelter - but couldn't we find it in our hearts to let the bus travellers have somewhere to rest? Or are they being taken off and buried under the bypass?

Thirdly, something like a periscope, or some such thing, has appeared by the lay-by next to the Olive Branch in the Upper High Street. What is it? Does anyone know? My own opinion is that it is a spying device implanted by the traffic wardens to check on the length of time cars are being parked. Please inform Bertie if any light can be shed on the above matters.

In return I promise to come around to your house and show all 633 of our holiday photographs. Aren't these digital cameras wonderful?

Pip, Pip, Bertie

ENHANCED EARLY YEARS FACILITIES FOR BROADWAY

Broadway looks one step closer to additional early years facilities with plans for a new Children Centre. This will have not only child care with qualified staff but also a number of family health and support services, together with job centre links. Planning permission will be sought in September for a temporary double mobile unit on the Broadway First School site and, all being well, this could become a permanent centre in 2010.

WANTED – MORE VOLUNTEERS!

The Gordon Russell Museum has now been open for six months and the level of visitors is increasing daily. There is already a bank of volunteers but more are required. If you feel you could spare a day or half day, then please contact Mr J Watton at the Museum, tel 01386 854695 or email us at grussellmuseum@btinternet.com

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ONE-OFF EVENTS:

Mon 1st Sept Acting Workshop; Farncombe Estate; 010386 854100
Mon 8th Sept Booking open, Barn Close Surgery Flu Clinic (1st Nov, Lifford Hall); 01386 854083
Tues 9th Sept 6.30-8.00pm Tai Chi for beginners starts; Val 01608 652835
Sat 13th Sept 1.00pm Broadway Horticultural and Craft Show; Village Green; 01386 852428
Sun 14th Sept Friendship Walk for Breast Cancer; Elizabeth Cook 020 7749 3700
Sun 21st Sept Yoga, Fitness Pilates and Relaxation morning with lunch; Lifford Hall; Sue 07890 734782
Sun 21st Sept Open Day, Farncombe Estate; 01386 854100
Tues 23rd Sept 2.30pm Emmaus Group restart; URC, Michael 01386 831779
Thurs 25th Sept 7.00pm Emmaus Group restart - as above.
Sat 4th Oct Harvest Supper - United Reformed Church; Michael 01386 831779
Tues 7th Oct 10.00-12.00 noon Alzheimer's Society & Worcs Assoc of Carers joint drop-in session, Signpost; 01386 859029
Sat 25th Oct Quiz Night by URC in aid of Christian Aid; Michael 01386 831779
Sat 1st Nov Barn Close Surgery Flu Clinic, Lifford Hall - see above.
Fri 5th - Sun 7th Dec Christmas Tree Festival, URC - entry forms available soon; Michael 01386 831779

REGULAR EVENTS:

Mon- Fri -term time 8:55-2:55pm Broadway & Towerview Playgroups, Jude 853780
Mon-Fri -term time 8:45-3pm Little Friends of St. Mary's playgroup; Deb/Sam 07798 610667
Mon 9:30/10:30 Cotswold Pilates; Methodist Hall 07734 934751
Mon 10am-3 pm Signpost open (5A Russell Square), including Age Concern services 01386 859029
Mon 6:30-8pm Broadway Youth Club age 9+; Broadway Youth Ctr. 01386 853013
Mon 7-8.30pm Girl Guides (ages 10-14) Ruth Jones 01789 772328
Mon 7-8:30pm Yoga; Broadway 1st School Marion Moore 853715 concludes 14/7; resumes 8/9
3rd Mon of the month 8pm Broadway Football Club Prize Bingo (eyes down!) 07818 046738
Last Mon of the month 7:30pm Broadway Garden Club; URC Hall 01386 852428
Tues 9:30/10:30am Cotswold Pilates; Methodist Hall 07734 934 751
Tues 2:00-5:00pm Broadway Bridge Club; Cricket Pavilion, Snowhill Rd 01386 854866
Tues 2:30pm Bible Study/Emmaus course, United Reformed Church vestry 01386 852819
Tues 6-7.30pm Tues Club for school yrs 3-6; Chipping Campden Baptist Church; Alan 013856 882179
Tues 6:30-8:00pm T'ai Chi; mixed ability class URC Hall Val 01608 652835
Tues 6:30pm Slimming World; Lifford Hall 01386 765629
Tues 6:30-8pm Broadway Youth Club age 9+ 01386 853013
Tues 7:30pm Bible Study; Methodist Church 01386 852 243
Tues 7:30-9:15pm Broadway Whist Drive Club; the Lygon Arms 01386 853110
Tues 8:00-9:00pm Fitness Pilates; Childswickham Memorial Hall, 01386 442706
1st Tues 10am-12 noon Alzheimer Society drop-in, Signpost; 859029
Alt Tues 2:15-3:45pm Broadway Evergreens; URC Hall 01386 852819
Alt Tues 2.15pm Women's Fellowship Rally; Methodist Church Hall; Muriel 01386 550270
2nd Tues 8:30am Breakfast Book Group: Lygon Arms, Ingle Nook Sitting room Elizabeth 858588
2nd Tues 10:30am Civil Svc Retirement Fellowship; Vauxhall Inn, Evesham 01386 421460
2nd Tues 3-4pm Come And Meet Each Other - tea at St Michael's Church 01386 852 352
3rd Tuesday 8:30am Breakfast Book Group at Small Talk Café Elizabeth 01386 858588
Weds 10-11am Wesleyan Chapel, Broadway. Members only, coffee and biscuits for aged Elsie 852680
Weds 9:30 am Cotswold Pilates; Lifford Hall 07734 934 751
Weds 2:00-3:00pm Stretch & Tone Over 50's; URC Hall term time Tess 01386 858796
Weds 6-7:30pm Broadway Youth Club 5-9 year olds; Broadway Youth Centre 01386 853013
Weds 7:30-9 Broadway Music Makers Rehearsal, URC Hall 01386 858166
1st Weds 7.00-9.00pm Alzheimer Cafe for people with dementia and their carers; Evesham; Gill 01905 22195
Weds 7:30pm Childswickham Women's Institute Meeting, Childswickham Village Hall, Mary 859661
3rd Weds 7:30pm Broadway Wine Society; Lifford Hall; Liz 01386 854807
Last Wed. 7:30pm Broadway Natural History Society; Methodist Hall 01386 852747
Thurs 10am-3 pm Signpost open (5A Russell Square) 01386 859029
Thurs 10:30-11:45 Baby (0-1)& Parent group, Broadway First School Hall, Jude 01386 853780
Thurs 7:00-8:30pm Yoga (Hatha) with Sue Nash; Lifford Hall 07890 734782
Most Thurs 8:45pm Live Music (Jazz/Blues) The Crown & Trumpet 01386 853202
1st Thurs 10am Broadway Embroidery Group; Methodist Hall Jan 01242 603558
1st Thurs 3-4pm Broadway Cancer Support Group; Signpost, 5A Russell Sq. 859029 / Pat 41055
1st Thurs 8pm Royal British Legion; Bowling Green Clubhouse
2nd Thurs North Cotswold U3A Open Meeting; Willersey Village Hall 01386 852244
Alt Thurs 10am Broadway Probus Club; Willersey Village Hall 01386 584331
Fri 6:30-8pm Pilots (5years+) at URC Hall Mark 01386 442022
Alt Sat. 2-2:30pm Bounce and Rhyme for babies at Broadway Library 01386 858747

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