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Welcome

WITH PAUL LINNETT, PARISH CHAIRMAN

Hello and welcome to the spring 2022 edition of LIFE. Although Covid 19 is still with us, life is almost back to normal and the main hall and café area are available to hire via our website. Because the pandemic has had a devastating effect on some parts of industry, it was decided to support local businesses and offer them free advertisements in this edition of LIFE. I am pleased to say that there has been a good take up and hope you will consider using local businesses when you make purchases or you want work done.



Blots on the Landscape

In the winter 2018 edition of LIFE I wrote an article which I called Blots on the Landscape. It was mainly about three properties on Hinckley road - the former Bargain Booze shop, the former garage opposite Kirby Lane and the old Butcher's shop.

We now have a Tesco store, where the garage was, and a vape shop instead of a butchers. The houses next to Tesco also look better than what was there before.



There is a notice on the Bargain Booze shop that it will soon be opening as a deli/cafe and the education hub has occupied the first floor of this building for a few years.



It has taken a long time but I think, once the deli/cafe opens, all these properties will be an improvement on the eyesores that I was talking about in 2018.



Welcome

WITH PAUL LINNETT, PARISH CHAIRMAN

The only thing that has not improved is the car park in front of the chip shop and vape shop which, in my opinion, is still in a disgraceful and potentially dangerous state. It was sad to see Sainsbury's close in February and I hope that this building will not be unoccupied too long.



Litter Pick

On Saturday 2 April, there was a litter pick arranged by the parish council. It was advertised on the council's website and Facebook page, the LFE Noticeboard Facebook page and on the noticeboards throughout the parish.



Thanks to Shilla, Corinne and Steve

Unfortunately, the number of people who volunteered to help was extremely disappointing. Of the four people who turned up, two were parish councillors and one was a councillor's husband. I have seen a few people doing litter picking in the area and so I know there are people who care about the tidiness of our parish. Perhaps we will have to advertise more widely if we have another litter pick. Any suggestions?

LFE Parish Councillors

Ian Deacon ceased to be a parish councillor in October last year. I would like to thank him for 5 years' service on the council.

In November last year David Dawes was co-opted on to the council. He has already proved to be a good councillor who does more than just attending meetings – see the section on trees below.

We still need three more councillors and so, if you would like to help us, please contact Holly, our clerk (phone number 0116 239 0039 or email: clerk@lfe-parish-council.org.uk)

Trees

As reported in the last LiFE, all the trees in the two parks and the spinney had been surveyed and urgent work had been completed. Non urgent work has also now been completed. Late last year Leicestershire County Council offered free tree packs to the parish council and an order was place for two packs – one for large trees the other for small ones. Our newest councillor, David Dawes volunteered to plant them, which he has almost completed. Thank you, David.



Noticeboards

There are now six parish council noticeboards in our area. There used to be nine but three were taken away because they needed repairing or replacing. We have been investigating the possibility of putting a noticeboard on the land in front of the Forest Park Restaurant and Hotel. However, I wonder if parishioners want more physical noticeboards, if so where, or whether we should communicate in other ways. We already have a website and Facebook page. Should we have a Twitter account?



Wildflower Area on Forest East Park

Work will soon be starting on a wildflower area between the park and playing fields. There will be more seats and also flower tubs. The idea behind the garden is that it will be a peaceful place for residents to sit and relax. The introduction of wildflowers will also encourage wildlife, especially bees, to thrive in the area.



MUGA (multi-use games area)

I am pleased to say that the MUGA was completed earlier this year. It is located next to the parish hall and is already being well used.



Christmas Lights

This year you will hopefully notice a difference in the Christmas lights along Hinckley Road. The parish council increased the budget and bigger, more spectacular lights will be appearing on lampposts in December. Shown is an example of the lights provided by the company who we have selected for our lights.



New Park Bench

Unfortunately, the LFE Bowls Club disbanded last year after many years of using the parish hall. They made a donation to the council and a bench was purchased and installed at the back of the parish hall.



Improvements to the Parish Hall Car Park

Both sides of the entrance to this car park are untidy. Improvements will be made which will include some more parking spaces.



Neighbourhood Development Plan

After a lot of work and a few delays, the LFE Neighbourhood Plan should be finally be adopted and published in June. Former councillor Paul Fox did a lot of work at the start of this process and when he resigned from the council, Peter Kitchen took up the reigns. I would like to thank both of them for the hard work they put in and also for their patience, when, through no fault of theirs, delays occurred.

Dates for your Diaries

On Sunday afternoon 21 August the Ratby Co-operative Brass Band will be playing on the playing fields behind the parish hall. Following last August's brilliant performance, we have invited them back and hopefully it will be sunny right through the performance this year.

On Saturday evening 22 October there will be a quiz in the parish hall.

We are also hoping to have one or two live theatre performances during the next twelve months.

I hope that everyone has a good summer.

Paul Linnett - Chair

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Forest House Medical Centre, 2a Park Drive, LE3 3FN and **Warren Lane Surgery, Leicester Forest East LE3 3LW**

Enquiries: (0116) 2898111 (Not between 12.30pm and 1.30pm)
Website: www.foresthousemedicalcentre.co.uk

Opening Hours:

Both surgeries - Monday to Friday - 8am to 6pm
Both surgeries are closed from 12.30pm-1.30pm for lunch
This closure does not impact on the services delivered or number of appointments that are available at the surgery.
Forest House Medical Centre - Saturday Clinic - 8am to 12.00pm (for pre-booked nurse appointments).

TELEPHONE:

Surgery telephone number for both surgeries 01162898111. The Out of Hours phone number is 111. The District Nurse phone number is 0300 300 1000. Visit the Surgery Website for up to date information at www.foresthousemedicalcentre.co.uk

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judith.lincoln@methodist.org.uk
Revd Dave Hover 01455 649 762 and revddhover@gmail.com

St Andrew's Service Times

Main Service - 11:00am every Sunday
Messy Church (for families) - 3.00-5.00pm every first Sunday

Beacon LiFE church

Charnwood Drive. Contact Pastor Ian - 07777677594
Church - 0116 2393112
Our Services are: Sunday Gathering with children's gathering - 10.30am

Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

Gooding Avenue. The Priest's House: Tel: 0116 285 8795
Services at 6pm Saturday evening then
Mass at 5pm Saturday at 9.30am Sunday.
Junior Church at Sunday services



LFE Parish Council

Planning, Trees and Highways Committee

Many of you are concerned over the speed of cars along Warren Lane and Forest House Lane, coupled with road parking around the doctors surgery and also school bus drop off point.



We would ask all residents and users to be respectful of speed limits and to take additional care in these areas.

Many of you will know that there was an accident involving a child at school bus drop off time. We are working with the South Charnwood High School and Desford Bosworth Academy to move the bus drop off points into a better location, further away from the surgery and all the related parking issues.

As of writing, Orbit have agreed with all the concerns raised and have moved their drop off point. Parents and carers will have been made aware of this change.

Vista have applied for planning permission to redevelop their site on Hinckley Road, next to St. Andrews Church. As you will have seen permission was granted to demolish the house and bungalows prior to any further works. Vista have been very pro-active with the parish council and residents as to their plans and we are pleased that they have taken any local concerns seriously in their proposed designs for the facility. We believe it will be an asset to LFE. Members of the parish council will

have met with Vistas' CEO on a site visit to hear more of the works planned and the use of the facility.

It is pleasing to see that the buildings at the junction of Charnwood Drive and Hinckley Road (The Learning Centre and Candy Heads) have been or are in the process of redevelopment and that area will be much improved. We look forward to the new 'deli' opening there.

Planning permission has not been given yet for the housing development on Baines Lane and any works there are for exploratory reasons. Blaby enforcements are ensuring works do not start until all permissions are given. The parish council shares residents' concerns that during any building works access is NOT via South Avenue and related streets but via Hinckley Road / Baines Lane only.

Generally, traffic is a concern for LFE residents, and we do follow up any complaints and issues. This is done with and through our district and county councillors as well as fed into Leicestershire County Council Highways department who have the controlling hand. It is often very frustrating not to see any progress or understanding of the issues we face. But we do ensure that traffic issues are always highlighted as an issue on any major planning developments or proposals.

Peter Kitchen - Chair of the Planning, Trees and Highways Committee

Brand New Multi-Use Games Area

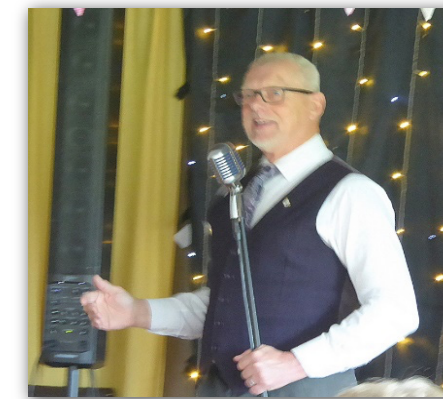
The Parish Council have recently had a Multi-Use Games Area installed at the side of the Parish Hall. It is great to see it is being so frequently used already.



Kirby Muxloe Local Committee for Cancer research

Now that the pandemic is hopefully behind us, we're delighted to report an excellent start to our local fundraising. Our latest event, an Easter Afternoon Tea, held on Thursday April 7th, raised almost £800. We all had an excellent time being serenaded by the 'Singing Major' Keith Tomlinson and enjoying the sandwiches and cakes, provided by the Kirby Muxloe Golf Club.

Janet Gill and Di Wood dressed the tables beautifully, with floral centrepieces and provided Easter egg 'goody bags' to take home. A big thank you to them both!



In February, we held a curry night at the Chef and Spice Restaurant and made well over £1500! The superb buffet meal was once again excellent value for money, with the £15 ticket covering all the food you could eat. A well supported raffle with some super prizes, plus many donations, helped us exceed the target we hoped to reach. A huge thanks to the management and staff of the Chef and Spice for holding these charity nights in their restaurant and to Jenny Vincent, our Committee Treasurer for organising the event, together with the sale of tickets and the raffle.

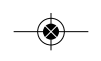
Our first post pandemic event was a Quiz night, held last November and this raised over £500. Yet again Rosemary and Roger came up with some fiendish questions to tax even the best brains. Already we're planning future events and the next will be our Autumn Fair on Saturday October 1st in the Village Hall, Kirby Muxloe, starting at 10.30 am. We hope to have Cancer Research Christmas cards and diaries for sale, along with many stalls such as tombola, cakes etc. There are still a few stalls left, so if anyone is interested in displaying and selling their goods, please contact Glen Graham on 2388018.

Later, the Newbold Verdon Christian Community Choir will be helping us all to get into the Christmas spirit, when they provide a medley of songs and Christmas Carols on Friday 25th November.

We hope we'll see you at one of our next events and more details will follow in future editions.

Hedge-Laying in Forest East Park

Many thanks to the TCV and the volunteers who have laid part of the hedge around Forest East Park, I'm sure you'll agree the finished result looks great!



Film Evenings

Parish Hall, Leicester Forest East

"Do you fancy going to see a film?" she asked.
"Nah" was the reply "I'm not keen on being surrounded by people chomping on popcorn and stuff".
"Well, there is an alternative" she replied, "My friend loves to go to LFE Parish Hall every month* to see one of the latest films. She says it's very good, and the atmosphere is friendly and chatty".
"Mmm" he said "Sounds too good to be true! How does it all work, then?"
"From what I understand, you just turn up on the first Thursday every month, pays your £5, get a free hot drink and a biccie, choose a seat and Bob's your uncle. Oh, and your entry ticket goes into a draw to get a free double ticket for a future visit. A bargain!"
"How do you find out what's on?" was the obvious question in response.
"Well, details are usually in local magazines, as well as mini-posters on the Parish notice boards and in the local libraries. You can also contact the organisers."

It was in 2010 that Film Evenings was established as an 'open to all' venture. This means it is NOT a club – no membership is involved, nor is pre-purchase of tickets. Film Evenings is a non-profit making service to the community. It is run by a band of volunteers who set out and clear chairs, provide refreshments, operate the projector, etc. New volunteers are always welcome! The very sociable environment is obvious from the gentle buzz of conversation before the film starts. Showings are open not only to LFE residents, but the wider neighbourhood too. One just needs to turn up, pay £5 at the door before collecting a free hot drink and biscuit then select a seat. Every 3-4 months the audience is asked to choose, by ballot from a short list of current films, the ones we are to show in the future. Further information can be obtained by contacting us: Tel. 0116 239 4983, email dennispatw@gmail.com. **Pat and Dennis Walker**

* Not open July and August
A typical pre-film view of the audience



Saturday 22 October 2022

Leicester Forest East Parish Hall, Kings Drive, LFE, Leicester LE3 3JE



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All proceeds will be donated to Queen Elizabeth Hospital Birmingham for Liver Foundation UK



Tuesday Teapot Group

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Venue Leicester Forest East Library
76 Rushmere Walk, LE3 3PD
(next to Stafford Leys school)
When 2nd and 4th Tuesday each month
Time 2.00 to 4.00 p.m.
Cost £2.50 for tea or coffee and cake
Contact 0116 229 9277



Caledonian Dancers

We are a Scottish Country Dance Group known as the "Caledonian Dancers" and enjoy the music and dancing in the Scottish tradition.

We meet every Monday morning at 11.00am till 1.15pm during school term times at Leicester Forest East Parish Hall.

As we learn the dances, we also have social dances at times throughout the year and meet other Scottish dancers. So why not come along and have fun trying the Scottish way of keeping fit plus lots of laughs and meet some very friendly folk.

So, you can see what you might be missing, no special shoes are needed (soft shoes/trainers are suitable) we have fully trainer teachers who will make you feel at ease and guide you through the dances.

For further information please contact Doris Buchanan on 0116 2415857 or e-mail dorisbuchanan.uk@gmail.com

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L.F.E Community Library

We are all looking forward to the spring and summer months after the hardships of the pandemic and all that entailed. We in the library have been planning lots of activities and events at the library in the coming months.

You may have noticed our greater presence on our social media platforms, all thanks to one of our younger volunteers, who has successfully raised our profile, using Twitter and Instagram to share information and events that are happening in the library. We have noticed an increase in footfall as a result.

Our programme can be viewed via this medium, being publicised and updated weekly, in addition to our noticeboard outside the library and the Parish noticeboards in the area. Our next big event being a Charity 5 course buffet meal at the 'Chef and Spice', Hinckley Road on Tuesday May 17th in the evening. Tickets are available now in the library at £17.00 per person, with £9.00 from each ticket sold, being donated to the library.

Some of you may not be aware that the library is being managed and run entirely by volunteers, being reliant upon our own fundraising activities from January 2022.

We therefore need to do much fundraising in the form of library hire, Community groups, putting on craft fairs and activities such as quiz nights and author talks in addition to our Coffee morning on the first Saturday of each month. Your support was appreciated.

Our thanks go to the Parish Council for the Community grant they made available to us, which has allowed us to change our lighting to LED's, a much greener alternative which will help reduce our energy costs in the long term. Our local Tesco store has also supported us in providing raffle prizes at Christmas time for the fair we held.

Ukrainian appeal

The volunteers and library community donated much needed items to the Ukrainian appeal, supporting Nick Johnson a local gentleman who plans to drive to Poland to deliver vital aid over the Easter holiday. We wish him every success with his mission.

Duke of Edinburgh students

We have welcomed three new Duke of Edinburgh award students from Bosworth Academy recently who are undertaking the volunteering part of their Bronze award.

Summer Reading Challenge

This year's Summer Reading Challenge will be launched in late June to take place over the summer holidays, the theme for this year being 'Gadgeteers'. The Reading agency will be partnering with the Science Museum Group to inspire children across the country to feed their imaginations, focusing on science and innovation. The materials will be available in the library at the end of the summer term along with favourite books selected by the children upon each visit.

Upcoming events

Queen's Diamond jubilee celebration in the form of cream teas being served from 11.00 – 2.00pm Saturday 4th June. There will be children's activities also at this time.

Do you like quizzing? Then come and join us at our next Quiz event – Friday 24th June 7.00 for 7.30pm start. Tickets available in the library soon. £6.50 to include a Ploughman's supper. Bring your own drinks, but soft drinks will be available as will hot drinks.

Library Week 3rd – 9th October – Meet the Author event on Monday 3rd October with Sarah Davies, a Stand - up comedian, who writes poetry and comedy for performance, in addition to short stories and longer works of fiction. We look forward to her appearance. Other activities will be on offer too with children in mind especially.

Finally look out for our next summer fair which will be held during the school holidays, building on the success of our most recent Spring fair, which saw many of you supporting us for which we were grateful. There was a wonderful feeling in the library, with so many of you joining us. The children had a great time playing in the children's area, building their Lego models, making Easter rabbit masks and decorating their special tile.

www.lfelibrary.org or call 0116 233 6273

Leicester Forest East Library – Regular Groups

Saturdays

1st Saturday of the Month Coffee Morning – 10am to 1pm - Including Construction Club for kids

Mondays

Knit and Natter every Monday – 7pm to 9pm

Tuesdays

Tuesday Teapot Club – 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month – 2pm to 4pm starting 11th January

Women's Well Being Sessions, Taichi & Qigong – 7pm to 7.45pm – starting 25th January

Wednesday

Tea and Toast – 8.45am to 10am

Coffee & Chat – 10am to Noon

Craft Group – 6pm to 8pm

Thursday

Baby & Toddler Group – 10am to Noon

LE3 Ladies Group – 7.30pm to 10pm – Every 3rd Thursday of the month

Friday

Story & Rhyme – 2.30pm to 3pm

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St Andrews Church - Forthcoming Events

It's great to be able to start planning ahead once again, so here are a few dates for your diaries.

The Tots n Dots toddler group meet on Tuesday afternoons during term time from 1:15pm to 3pm. There is no need to book, just come along when you can.

The St Andrew's Coffee Shop is open on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month from 10am to midday serving refreshments and homemade cakes. Gluten and lactose free options often available.

The 1st LFE Rainbows and Brownies meet in the church hall on Thursday late afternoon /evening during term time. Unfortunately, the Guide group have closed due to a lack of leaders. If you feel that this is something that you would like to be involved in then please do get in touch.

On Saturday 21st May at 3pm there will be a Platinum Jubilee themed 'Songs of Praise' with afternoon tea. Just come along and enjoy singing some of your favourite hymns over a cuppa and a slice or two of cake.



Messy Church for families meets on the 1st Sunday afternoon of each month starting at 3pm. The June event will be a little different from the usual format as we celebrate the Platinum Jubilee.

An idea for the future is a social trip to St Mary's Church Snibston with lunch. St Mary's is a beautiful, old church set in fields in the middle of the Leicestershire countryside. It dates to medieval times and is one of the smallest churches in the country still having regular worship.

Another **Fish & Chip supper** with a quiz is likely for July or August and a Beetle Drive in the Autumn.

The church hall is hired out on a regular basis to the following groups. **Messy Movers, Yoga Class, Matrix Martial Arts, Karen Loomes Dance Academy, and the Silverliners Line Dancers.** There are a few regular hire time slots still available and the hall can also be booked for one-off events subject to the hall conditions of use.

For further information about services and events at St Andrew's then please do get in touch on the contact details below.

Alison Bates – St Andrew's Church Council Secretary.

Email; standrewslfe@gmail.com

Website; www.standrewslfe.org.uk

Phone; 07961 749215

Facebook; St Andrews Leicester Forest East



We are a community cinema open to all residents of Leicester Forest East and the wider community

Film Evenings is NOT a club. No booking needed. Just turn up on the night to enjoy a film in sociable company

When: The first Thursday of every month (except July and August).

Where: The Parish Hall, Kings Drive, LFE, LE3 3JE.

- On arrival you get a raffle ticket for a double ticket prize to be used for a future showing.
- A hot drink and biscuit are included.
- We have no alcohol licence, so please feel free to bring your own drinks.

Time: 7.00 p.m. for film start at 7.30 p.m. prompt

Cost: £5.

Film: You can find out which film we will feature at the next showing by:

- Checking the LFE Parish website and Facebook page;
- Looking at LFE and KM Parish notice boards;
- Checking at LFE and KM libraries;
- Telephoning 0116 239 4983;
- Joining our mailing list for early advice.

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Thank you Tracey



DISTRICT COUNCILLOR STUART COAR REPORTS

Hello everyone, I'm sure that we have all had time to reflect on the challenges and changes to our daily lives that Covid brought to us, and Blaby District Council (BDC) is no different, in that it too

has had to make many changes to protect its staff, and ensure things keep as normal as possible with the services it delivers to us all.

Many staff worked from home but front-line services like Environmental Health, and refuse collection continued to provide an excellent biweekly service to us all ensuring our refuse and recyclable items were collected on time. Many of the team contracted Covid however, all have recovered well, and things are now back to near normal. - I had many e mails from residents asking for their thanks to be passed onto the teams for continuing to provide the collection service to us all in LFE during such challenging times, and I can assure you these e mails were very much appreciated by the teams.

As a Council Blaby has always been passionate and proactive in keeping air quality as clean as possible, and conscious of the need to reduce its carbon footprint, and I'm delighted to be able to advise you that BDC is currently sitting in 37th position in the UK as a council which has adopted a "Green Agenda", reduced its carbon footprint and improved its efficiency, and they will continue to work hard to improve the environment we all live in, planting more trees and creating ecological corridors for the wildlife in the district.

There will be a page dedicated to the "Green Agenda" on the BDC website which will show all of the projects currently being undertaken and I will let you know when this page becomes live on the website.

Scrutiny and the finance team have worked really hard to ensure that Council Tax changes for this year were kept

as low as was possible, and we are now seeing the benefits of all that hard work with a Band D property increase of £5.00 for the coming year, which was the very best they could do for us all.

I've had many complimentary e mails and calls from residents stating how pleased they are with the way BDC keeps all the green spaces in our Parish so well kept and tidy, and regularly mown too, please be assured it's lovely to get so many emails and your comments are passed onto the teams responsible for this work, who in turn are very appreciative of the welcome comments.

Please be advised BDC do not mow or strim the roadside verges, this is carried out by Leicestershire County Council.

For those of you that brought to my attention the regular flooding of the A47 and footpaths near to Warren Lane junction, I'm advised that Leicestershire County Council have carried out some works which has rectified the problem for us. Thank you LCC.

Leicester Forest East continues to be a lovely place to live, a village that I have lived in for the past 35 years and I am very proud and humbled to be the representative of our Parish at Blaby District Council. Please be assured I will do all that I can to ensure LFE continues to be a lovely area to live, and I thank the Parish Council for all the hard work they do too, and I will continue to support and represent them at the various meetings I attend at BDC.

If any of you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me by email or telephone and I will do all that I can to assist with your enquiry.

Best Regards, **Stuart Coar** - District Councillor.
Leicester Forest East.
Blaby District Council.
Tel: 07719 997706
E mail. cllr.stuart.coar@blaby.gov.uk

Contact Details for your MP, District Councillors and County Councillors

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Email: edward.argar.mp@parliament.uk - Write: House of Commons, SW1A 0AA

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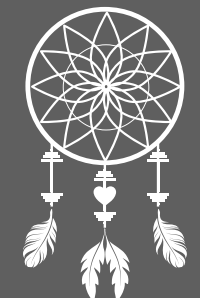
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FITNESS CLASS 10.00 - 10.45am

SCOTTISH DANCING 11am-1.45pm

TUESDAY
STEADY STEPS PLUS
10.45am-11.45am

STEADY STEPS 11.45am - 1.00pm

WEDNESDAY
MY TRIBE 10.00 - 11.00am

MICHELLE ANN SCHOOL OF DANCE
4.00 - 6.30pm

THURSDAY
BABY SENSORY
7-13 months 10.10am - 11.00am
0-6 months 11.20am-12.10pm

FITNESS CLASS 6.00 - 7.00pm

SATURDAY
FITNESS CLASS 9.30 - 10.15am

SPINNER AND WEAVERS
10.30am - 3pm - Every 3rd Saturday

Leicestershire Guild of Weavers, Spinners and Dyers.

A group of yarn and textile enthusiasts who meet on the third Saturday of the month at Leicester Forest East parish hall, 10.30am to 3pm. We share our passion and exchange hints, tips and knowhow and hope to get back to a "bring and share" lunch very soon. Novices, the experienced crafter and the just curious very welcome. For more information, contact: secretaryleicestershirewsd@gmail.com

For more information or to book the hall please visit www.lfeparishcouncil.org.uk/parish-hall

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RAINBOWS & BROWNIES
5.15 and 7.30pm

KAREN LOOMES DANCE ACADEMY:
Wednesdays & Fridays - 4:30-8.00pm

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Mon. 7.30-9.30pm, Wed. 1.00-3.00pm, (07725 441906)

MATRIX MARTIAL ARTS:
Mon. 4:15-7.15pm - (07949 915577)

BROWNIES & RAINBOWS:
Thur. 5.15-7.15pm (0116 2392694)
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92ndgsl@gmail.com

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Scouts (10.5-14), Fri 7.00-9.00pm
Cubs (8-10.5), Thur. 6.30-8.00pm
Beavers (6-8), Wed. 6.00-7.00pm

SATURDAY COFFEE SHOP:
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YOGA GROUP TUESDAYS:
6.30pm-7.30pm 07849 552997

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TUESDAYS
TUESDAY TEAPOT CLUB: 2pm-4pm
2nd & 4th Tuesday of the month -

**WOMEN'S WELL BEING SESSIONS,
TAICHI & QIGONG:** 7pm - 7.45pm

WEDNESDAYS
TEA & TOAST: 8.45am - 10am

COFFEE & CHAT: 10am - Noon

CRAFT GROUP: 6pm to 8pm

THURSDAYS
BABY & TODDLER GROUP:
10.00am - Noon

LE3 LADIES GROUP: 7.30pm - 10pm
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TUESDAYS
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2nd Tuesday Sept-Apr 7-10pm

LEICESTER INDUSTRIAL HISTORY GROUP
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WEDNESDAY
OVER 60'S 1.30-4.00pm

KUMON MATHS AND ENGLISH
4.15-6.15pm

THURSDAYS
WHIST DRIVE 7-10pm

FRIDAYS
TAI CHI 2.30-3.30pm

LINE DANCING MONTHLY 7-10pm

CHURCH GROUP 6-9pm

SATURDAYS
KUMON MATHS AND ENGLISH
10-12noon

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