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Golden leaves and chilly air, pumpkins glowing everywhere. Harvest moon and twilight's hush, autumn's kiss, a gentle blush. Spiced scents linger, warm and sweet—fields of orange at our feet.

# **OCTOBER 2024**

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# Village Hall Bookings – Maureen 07568 197 914

# village Hall News



# Holton le Clay Kebab & Pizza House

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What is Halloween about?



Halloween is a holiday observed on October 31 and noted for its pagan and religious roots and secular traditions. In much of Europe and most of North America, observance of Halloween is largely nonreligious, celebrated with parties, spooky costumes, jacko'-lanterns, pumpkin carvings, and the giving of candy.

Halloween originated in the Samhain festival among the Celts of ancient Britain and Ireland. The new year was believed to begin on the day corresponding to November 1 on contemporary calendars. That date was considered the beginning of the winter period when the herds were returned from pasture, and land tenures were renewed. During the Samhain festival, the souls of those who had died were believed to return to visit their homes, and those who had died during the year were thought to journey to the otherworld. People set bonfires on hilltops to relight their hearth fires for the winter and to frighten away evil spirits, and they sometimes wore masks and other disguises to avoid being recognised by the ghosts thought to be present. In those ways, beings such as witches, hobgoblins, fairies, and demons came to be associated with the day. The period was also considered favourable for marriage, health, and death divination. When the Romans conquered the Celts in the 1st century CE, they added their festivals of Feralia, commemorating the passing of the dead and Pomona, the goddess of the harvest.

# **ST PETER'S CHURCH**

#### **Church Services**

6<sup>th</sup> October 10.00 am Service of Holy Communion at St Peter & St Paul, Tetney. Harvest Thanksgiving

13<sup>th</sup> October 10.00 am Morning Service at St Peter and St Paul, Tetney 20<sup>th</sup> October 10.00 am Service of Holy Communion at St Peter, Holton le Clay

27<sup>th</sup> October 10.00 am Morning Service at Holton le Clay Tea and coffee will be available after the services.

I have just heard the news that the winter fuel payment for pensioners has been slashed except for those on Pension Credit. Also, there will be tax rises, which will affect many of those in our community. The challenge will be 'to eat or to heat', a decision that none of us wants to make or indeed to see our neighbours and friends have to make.

One of the television series I like to watch is Lark Rise to Candleford. The stories show the joys and hardships of the families especially in Lark Rise. In the episode about the outbreak of measles in the hamlet at harvest time we see the pulling together of the community, including the Candleford townsfolk, to nurse the sick and gather enough 'leasings' to share out flour for the winter.

This reminds me of the story of the Good Samaritan in which an expert in the law asks Jesus, "Who is my neighbour?" Jesus told the story of a man who was attacked by robbers and left injured at the side of the road. Two men walked past, ignoring him, before a stranger stopped, treated his wounds and took him to an inn where he paid for the man to be nursed. "Who is my neighbour?" "The one who showed mercy" was the answer. Perhaps we can remember our neighbours this winter as many receive less money to pay for bills. The song, "When I needed a neighbour, were you there?" is so true today. In life we need people around us on whom we can rely when we're struggling.

Rev'd Jenny



# Village Events-October 2024

The Village Hall Tuesday 1st, 2-4, Afternoon Tea Half-term, Pebble Hunt

Holton le Clay Cricket Club Bingo every Tuesday. Eyes down 7.30 pm. Quiz every Wednesday at 7.30 pm Thursday morning Brunch bingo with soup and a roll. £5

#### St Peter's Church

5<sup>th</sup> October 10.00 Table Top Sale at the Village Hall 19<sup>th</sup> October 10.00-12.00 Coffee Morning at the Church

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#### **Village Hall Classes**

<b>Monday</b> Tai Chi 10-11 am Popercize 5.15-6.15 Zumba 6.30-7.30pm	Tuesday Yoga 10-11.30am Musical Theatre 5-6pm. Age 7-11 Camera Club 7.15-9.45pm first Tuesday of month Afternoon Tea 2-4pm THIRD Tuesday of month W.I. 7.00 - 9 pm	Wednesday Pilates 9.50-10.50 & 11-12 noon Sequence Dancing 1.00- 4pm Pilates 6.30-7.30pm
<b>Thursday</b> Tai Chi 10-11am Kurling 1-2pm Slimming World 4, 5.30 and 7pm	ALL EVENTS ARE AT THE VILLAGE HALL UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED. VILLAGE HALL AVAILABLE FOR PRIVATE HIRE AND PARTIES PLEASE CONTACT MAUREEN ON 07568 197 914	Friday Slim & Shape 9.30- 10.30am GLC, Children's Dance Class 5.30-7.30pm

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**Answers.** The films are "Diamonds are Forever" (Diamonds + R + Four + Heifer). "Moonraker" (Moon + Rake + R)"Octopussy" (Octopus + E) "Golden Eye" (Gold + Hen + Eye) "The World Is Not Enough" (The World + E's + Knot + N + Oeuf)

# Have you visited our new website yet?

Have a peek at our new layout.

- Check up on classes at the village hall.
- Find out what is going on.
- Contact the Holton News and the Hall about bookings.
- See the latest photos from events.
- Email to book your Quiz night place.
- Lots more coming over the coming month with regular updates, too!
- hlcvillagehall8.wixsite.com/hlcvillagehall









# **Homemade Toffee Apples**

#### Ingredients 8 apples 400g golden caster sugar 1 tsp vinegar 4 tbsp golden syrup



#### Method

Place the apples in a large bowl, cover with boiling water to remove any waxy coating and help the caramel to stick.

Lay onto a sheet of baking parchment. Skewer the apples with sticks or lollipop sticks.

Tip the sugar into a pan, add 100ml water, and set over medium heat. Cook for 5 minutes until the sugar dissolves, then stir in vinegar and syrup. Boil to 150c or, if you don't have a thermometer, drop a little into a bowl of cold water. It should harden instantly and be brittle and easy to break.

Dip and twist each apple into the mixture, then place it on the parchment to harden.

As an extra treat, whilst still soft, roll in some hundreds and thousands.

Can be made two days in advance.



Five films, but can you guess them? Answers on page 11



The answers are: Read between the lines, Big picture thinking, Turncoat, Cut to the chase, The last straw, Nick of time, Less is more, Easy come, easy go



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# Out and About at Normanby Hall

Autumn is a great time to get out and about and see some of the spectacular homes and gardens within an hour's drive of Holton le Clay.

We recently visited Normanby Hall near Scunthorpe. The Regency hall was built in 1825 and was previously the home of the Sheffield Family, former Dukes of Buckingham and Normanby.

As well as the beautiful house to look around, there are many things to do for the whole family. There is a wonderful walled garden with wall-trained fruit trees and fruit tree arches crossing the paths.

A large play and picnic area so you can take your own food and enjoy a seat whilst the kids have a great time, especially with the water feature for them to splash around in. There's also Go Ape and a golf course.

The courtyard café serves a variety of cakes and snacks, as well as plated meals. Off the courtyard are a couple of exhibits you can roam into; of carriages and the work of George Stubbs, the equine artist. Dogs are welcome in the grounds Tool





Pear tree archway and a carved horse and rider

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