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## MINISTRY LETTER FOR APRIL 2025

### Praise God from whom all blessings flow

Spring seems to be appearing all around us now, the days are getting longer and the beauty of God's creation is just incredible at this time of year. My youngest son Jenson and I love to go out for a walk and he always looks out for new flowers springing up and each day is so wonderfully different. The blanket of daffodils and snowdrops in the churchyard at Welton at the moment are so beautiful, and every time Jenson sees them, he exclaims with such excitement, "look at the lovely yellow and white flowers!" as if it's the first time he's spotted them all over again! Oh to look at the world through the eyes of a child... but isn't this what we are called to do though?

In Matthew chapter 18 the disciples asked Jesus, "Who, then, is the greatest in the kingdom of Heaven?" He called a little child to him and placed the child among them. And He said: "Truly I tell you, unless you change and become like little children, you will never enter the kingdom of Heaven. Therefore, whoever takes the lowly position of this child is the greatest in the kingdom of Heaven."

Recently at our 4 o'clock Shine we had a session called 'Spring into Life' and we shared a lovely afternoon looking at the theme of Spring, and how beautiful it is if only we just pause and take a moment or two to appreciate what's around us. The children made their own spring wreaths, planted pea seeds to grow on their windowsills at home and we played games and sang songs together. We rounded off the session by learning The Grace prayer in Makaton sign language!



Children view the world with such genuine and honest simplicity; they say it exactly as it is, and perhaps as adults we have the tendency to over-complicate matters? Our life experiences, good and bad, have a real impact on how we react to situations we face, so to humble ourselves like a child is a hard task. But God presents us with a different view: an understanding of dependence, trust, and love which allows us to appreciate and understand all that Jesus has done for us.

As we journey through Lent we have the opportunity to reflect on the painful times we face in life, through the lens of our Lord's immense sacrifice. It is often when we look back that we can see how different people, or perhaps a certain place has been the strength we needed to get through. God answers our prayer and blesses us daily, just sometimes not in the way we might have been expecting! So I wish you a peaceful Lent and when it arrives all the joys that Easter brings!

Wishing you every blessing,

*Revd Lynne Hawkins*

### DONATION

Many thanks to the customers of **Normanby Shop and Post Office**. The collection pot had a total of £28.45 which was put towards the running costs of Signpost.

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# HACKTHORN & COLD HANWORTH

## HACKTHORN C. OF E. PRIMARY SCHOOL

At the beginning of March, we have had a very exciting installation at school - a new sensory gazebo!

We watched with eager anticipation over the course of the week as step by step the project came to life. By Friday, the work was complete and we watched as the sun shone through the coloured windows creating wonderful reflections.

Reception children were the first to try it, loving the coloured circles on the floor. It made an excellent base for a pirate ship! We have plans to utilise this as a meeting space; our collective worship and school council are keen to hold their meetings in here; a social space and also a teaching space. We can't wait to spend more of the summer months outdoors.

Over recent weeks, Key Stage 2 pupils have started learning about Blues music. We learnt a song (by Lisa from The Simpsons!) and worked on bending notes. We then moved on to playing the 12-bar blues.

Initially we were aiming to master the first four bars but, after a short while, it became clear that the children needed an additional challenge so we moved on to the next four bars quite quickly. On the glockenspiels it sounded a bit different to the base guitar we were listening to, but 'bluesy' all the same! We are hoping to be able to share a live performance of the 12-bar blues soon.

In Art, we have started looking at pattern and have investigated patterns from different time periods.

Last week we started thinking about Neolithic art and pattern. The children each designed their own Neolithic inspired clay tiles and then produced their design onto a clay tile. They all looked really effective.

Years 5 and 6 enjoyed their residential trip to Willersley Castle in Derbyshire. The children took part in a range of activities including: A blind trail, zip wire, rock climbing, fencing and grass sledging all in a beautiful, picturesque setting. As always, the children were a credit to the school and behaved impeccably remembering their manners and exhibiting the Hackthorn Way values throughout their stay.

Key Stage 1 youngsters have been busy exploring colour in their art lessons. They have created colour fields, worked on shades and tints and then used this new knowledge to create an abstract Jackson Pollock-style painting using drip art. The artwork created is gallery worthy... the cupboards and the carpet would fit in there also.

Key Stage 1 and EYFS have also embarked on their annual dance topic. This term we have been looking at dances from around the world.

So far we have tried our hand at Irish dancing, line dancing and Chinese ribbon dancing. The most popular so far has been cheerleading, so much enthusiasm and fun had by all.

A couple of upcoming events we have are our Easter church service on April 4, where we will be celebrating with lots of songs followed by a cake sale at the village hall - you are welcome to come and join us and buy a cake or two.

We also have our annual Treasure Hunt held on April 26 at 1.30pm starting at school and taking place in surrounding villages.

This is always a family favourite and can get very competitive. It costs £5 per car and then back to school for refreshments and the completed questionnaires to be marked.

If you would like to visit our school please contact the school office on 01673 860295 where we would love to show you around.

## HACKTHORN PARISH COUNCIL

### Hackthorn Parish Council meetings for 2025:

Tuesday 13th May - 7:00pm - Annual Parish meeting

Tuesday 8th July - 8:00pm

Tuesday 2nd September - 7:00pm

Tuesday 11th November - 7:00pm

Helen  
Clerk to Parish Council

There will be an Annual Parish meeting on Tuesday, 13th May 2025 at 7pm in Hackthorn Village Hall. All residents of the Parishes of Hackthorn and Cold Hanworth are invited to hear about the exciting village project and to contribute their opinion on this and all matters relating to both Parishes. Refreshments will be served.

All Parish Council information and district/county matters can be found on the website at

<https://hackthorn-cold-hanworth.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk>

If any parishioner has a problem or concerns, the Clerk can be contacted on [hackthornpc@yahoo.com](mailto:hackthornpc@yahoo.com) or via 07955 797393



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## Hackthorn Gardening Club & Village Hall Committee

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A range of vegetables and garden plants will be for sale.  
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**Hackthorn and Cold Hanworth Village Hall LN2 3PQ.**



**The deadline for entries to the May 2025 Signpost  
is Tuesday the 15th of April at 6:00 p.m.**



# Hackthorn Art Club

**TENTH ANNIVERSARY EXHIBITION  
TO BE HELD IN HACKTHORN VILLAGE HALL ON  
SATURDAY 26th April FROM 2.00PM TO 5.00PM**

The members of Hackthorn Art Group are delighted to invite the public to join us for our Spring exhibition. Entry is free, and there will be complimentary drinks and nibbles to enjoy.

This year marks the 10th anniversary of the Group, started originally by local artist Andrew Craig as a tutored art class in early May 2015. Andrew was an excellent teacher and inspired and encouraged us to find our own creativity in whichever medium we preferred, and we all benefited enormously from his enthusiasm and experience.

Unfortunately, Andrew had to pull out of the Group following Covid, but a small number of us decided to continue meeting in Hackthorn Village Hall once a fortnight to paint and create together, drink coffee and put the world to rights, growing from 3 members to our current 10. Although we no longer have a tutor, we all share whatever knowledge or skill we have in an atmosphere of mutual support and general fun.

Please come along to the exhibition and see what we have been doing, chat to the artists, relax with a glass of wine or a coffee. Many of the art works will be available to buy should you wish to.

**We look forward to seeing you.**

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# SPRIDLINGTON

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to cover hire costs.

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## St HILARY'S COFFEE MORNING

Wednesday 16th April at 10:30 a.m.

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## SPRIDLINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

### Spridlington Parish Council meetings for 2025:

Wednesday 7th May - 6:30pm - **NOTE CHANGE OF DATE**

Tuesday 8th July - 6:30pm

Tuesday 9th September - 6:30pm

Tuesday 11th November - 6:30pm

Agendas and minutes of meetings can be found on the parish council website at <https://spridlington.parish.lincolnshire.gov.uk>

Cllr Katrina Morton

Spridlington Parish Council

There will be an Annual Parish meeting on **Wednesday, 7th May 2025** at 6:30pm in Spridlington Village Hall. All residents of the Parish of Spridlington are welcome to attend.

What would you like your parish council to consider or work on for the next year? Do you have an idea that you think may be of benefit to residents of our village? If so, please let us know.

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### **PRAYER FOR APRIL**

Dear Lord, as April unfolds with its soft rains and blooming flowers, we give thanks for the beauty of renewal. May this month inspire kindness, hope, and courage as we embrace new beginnings. Help us to find joy in life's small wonders, to grow in compassion, and to be a light for others. In times of doubt, remind us of nature's resilience, ever transforming and renewing. Amen.

### **Promoting A Safer Church**

The care and protection of children, young people and adults involved in church activities is important to us all in the Owmbly Group of Parishes.

If you have any concerns please contact one of the following:

#### **Owmbly Group Safeguarding Officers:**

Glenthams Chapel and Church - Sheena Grebby - 01673 878578

Owmbly Church - Liz Harris - 01673 878829

Spridlington & Hackthorn - Revd Lynne Hawkins - 01673 565022

#### **Diocesan Safeguarding Officer:**

Jack Redeyoff - 07885 999907 - [safeguarding@lincoln.anglican.org](mailto:safeguarding@lincoln.anglican.org)

#### **Barton, Brigg and Wolds Circuit Safeguarding Representative:**

Pam McCartney - 01652 632770

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## SERVICES IN APRIL

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<i>5th of Lent</i>	6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Owmbly
<b>Sunday 13th</b>	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Hackthorn
<i>Palm Sunday</i>	6.00 pm	Evening Prayer	Glenham
<b>Thursday 19th</b>	11.00 am	Communion with washing of feet	Spridlington
<i>Maundy Thursday</i>			
<b>Friday 18th</b>	12.00 pm	Special joint event with	Welton
<i>Good Friday</i>		Welton/Dunholme/Scothern	
		This will start with a short service at St Mary's, Welton at 12.00 noon, then a walk of witness to St Chad's, Dunholme with prayers at 1.15 pm, then on to St Germain's, Scothern for the final part at 2.30 pm. People are welcome to join in as much or as little as they feel comfortable with and to drive to the churches if they prefer. There is also a family hour at Welton from 1.00 - 2.00 pm where families can gather for music, crafts and free hot cross buns.	
<b>Sunday 20th</b>	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Owmbly
<i>Easter Day</i>			
<b>Sunday 27th</b>	11.00 am	Morning Prayer	Hackthorn
<i>2nd of Easter</i>	11.00 am	Holy Communion	Glenham
	11.00 am	Family Service	Owmbly

On the **second Sunday** of each month, Liz Harris holds a 'Sunday Special' Sunday School at Owmbly at 10.30 am. Please note, this is **not** a Service. Contact Liz for further details. (Info is on the back cover).

### GLENTHAM METHODIST CHAPEL

<b>Sunday 13th</b>	10.30 am	Bill Smith
<b>Sunday 27th</b>	10.30 am	Local Arrangement

### ST PETER'S CHURCH, GLENTHAM

Continuing thanks for those supporting the church through the West Lindsey community lottery. There were 58 winners in the 4 weeks up to the 15th March and 2 of those are supporters of St Peter's Church. A random draw took place on the 29th March and a prize of a home robot bundle (Lawn mower and vacuum cleaner) was won. There is a guaranteed special prize every month. The AGM of the Church Council of St Peter's Church will take place in April. The date has not yet been fixed and it will be displayed on the posters at the church in due course.

Robert Rowe, Churchwarden, St Peter's Church.

### VISITING LINCOLN CATHEDRAL

The Owmbly Group have two complimentary passes for Lincoln Cathedral.  
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He has made everything beautiful in its time. He has also set eternity in the human heart; yet no one can fathom what God has done from beginning to end..

Ecclesiastes 3:11 (NIV)

# NORMANBY & OWMBY

## OWMBY CHURCH COFFEE MORNINGS

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Next event is on April 5th

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## NORMANBY & OWMBY BY SPITAL PARISH COUNCILS

### Owmbly & Normanby

Monday 28th April (Annual Meeting of the Parish) - 7.30pm at the school

### Owmbly by Spital Parish Council meetings at Owmbly church.

Tuesday 13th May (Annual Parish Council Meeting)

Tuesday 15th July

Tuesday 2nd September

Tuesday 11th November

### Normanby by Spital Parish Council meetings at Owmbly church

Monday 12th May (Annual Parish Council Meeting)

Monday 7th July

Monday 1st September

Monday 3rd November

Julie

Clerk to Parish Council

The chairmen of Normanby by Spital and Owmbly by Spital Parish Councils would like to invite you to a **Joint Annual Parish Meeting on 28th April, 7.30 pm at Normanby School.** As two villages in close proximity with many shared interests, we are very much a Joint Community but we wish to remain as two very separate parishes.

All resident and voluntary organisations from both villages are invited to attend. Reports from organisations are welcome.

The Annual Parish Meeting is not a council meeting. The Parish Council has to organise it, but it is a meeting for residents to hear what has been going on in the parishes over the last year and to ask questions of any of the groups present.

\*\*\* Hot topics this year include - The Neighbourhood Plan, The Community Park and the Orchard \*\*\*

The intention at this meeting is to give everyone a chance to speak but questions emailed ahead to the clerk will be given priority.

### Normanby by Spital

Chair : Gavin Widdison

Clerk : Julie Haycraft

clerk@normanbybyspital-pc.gov.uk

Full agenda available from the clerk on request.

### Owmbly by Spital

Chair : Graham Crompton Howe

Clerk : Julie Haycraft

clerk@owmblybyspital-pc.gov.uk

### **Neighbourhood Plan - Joint Opportunity with Normanby-by-Spital**

At the recent public meeting in Normanby-by-Spital, the idea was raised that Owmbly-by-Spital might join in developing a joint Neighbourhood Plan. This would mean working together as one community to shape the future development of both villages.

Currently, neither village has a Neighbourhood Plan, and the Parish Councils have been asked by West Lindsey District Council to determine whether residents would like to proceed with one. At this moment, Normanby has been designated to develop its own plan. However, following the recent discussion, we would like to hear from Owmbly-by-Spital residents to understand their views.

#### **What is a Neighbourhood Plan?**

A Neighbourhood Plan allows communities to create a vision for their future, influencing the type and location of development. It provides a formal policy document that helps guide planning decisions in line with local needs and aspirations. The process involves community input and can be supported by grants and professional advice.

#### **What Happens Next?**

Step 1 - The designated area needs to be agreed upon. Currently, Normanby has its own area, but this could be expanded if Owmbly wishes to join.

Step 2 - A public consultation will be carried out to gauge interest. This could include meetings and/or a questionnaire.

Step 3 - Volunteers from the community are needed to form a working group to develop the plan, supported by some Parish Councillors and other organisations.

#### **How Can You Get Involved?**

At their recent meeting Owmbly by Spital Parish Council unanimously agreed to support a joint plan and we are keen to hear from Owmbly-by-Spital residents for their views:

Would you support a joint Neighbourhood Plan?

Would you like to be involved in shaping the future of our villages?

If you are interested or would like to share your thoughts, please contact the Parish Clerk at [clerk@owmblybyspital-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@owmblybyspital-pc.gov.uk) no later than 30th April 2025.

Owmbly-by-Spital Parish Council

## **IN MEMORIAM**

### **Eva Batt - 100 Glorious Years - 1925-2025**

Christine and Stephen would like to thank everyone who came to mum's funeral and celebration of life at Owmbly church on the 26th February. Mum was a remarkable woman whose positive outlook and zest for life amazed everyone who was fortunate to have known her. She was born in Saxilby in 1925 and passed away in her own home in Welton exactly 100 years and one week later on the 19th January 2025. Mum's family moved to Maltkiln Farm when mum was a young girl. They owned and farmed the land at the back of Skinners row on Fen Road down to Carter's corner. The Brightwater green burial ground where mum now lies, next to her husband, Geoff, was Mum's playground and cow fields that belonged her family. When mum and dad married they lived at Normanby opposite the school for 80 years. Mum was heavily involved in church activities and village life, raising funds for various causes and attending events and activities in the villages. She loved singing and dancing, and the local drama group shows. Mum loved her family, and we adored her. She was thrilled on her 100th birthday to receive a card from King Charles and Queen Camilla, and although very frail, managed to celebrate with sips of champagne, and her family around her. She will be very sadly missed.

Christine Crayston

# GLENTHAM & CAENBY



## JIGSAW SWAP

Glenham Chapel  
Saturday 26th April  
10am-12noon

Please come for a chat over a cup of tea or coffee  
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# THANK YOU

## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER

Thank you to all those who came and took part in the World Day of Prayer service hosted this year by Glenthams Chapel on 7th March. It was a very moving service which had been prepared by Christian women from The Cook Islands.

Thank you, too, for your generosity. £100.00 was given on the evening for World Day of Prayer who support numerous charities.

### St Peter's Guild

## COFFEE MORNING

Tuesday 8th April at 10:30 a.m.

Sarah's Cottage, Seggimoor

by kind invitation of Hilary Rainer

The proceeds will be in aid of the Church

All Welcome



### 'Nags Head' at Middle Rasen

## Men's Breakfast

Saturday 12 April at 9:00am

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"The sun has got his hat on - Hip, hip, hip, hooray!

The sun has got his hat on so support your u3a!"

Now that Spring is here Lindsey u3a has lots of plans for talks, group activities, visits, theatre trips throughout the year, a holiday and a lunch. On 2nd April the 'Theatre' group is off to see 'Ghost the Musical'. Look out for info about our Quiz on 10th April 2-4pm at Welton Village Hall. The 'Architecture' group will be visiting Lincoln Cathedral for a Cathedral Glass Tour on 17th April and a guided tour of Brigg Heritage Centre has been arranged for 8th May. Our 'Visits' group is off to Saltaire World Heritage Site on 30th April plus a coach trip has been organised to Bridlington for a talk/tour of the RNLI boathouse on 3rd June. The 'Garden Group' is planning an excursion to Sandringham on 18th June and a holiday to Newcastle and Northumbria has been arranged for 7th July. Our annual Summer Lunch has been booked at Hemswell Court on 18th July so there's lots happening. Look at our website to see the A-Z of activities and interest groups on offer. You can join in with as much or as little as you like.

Lindsey u3a meets at Welton Village Hall usually on the first Thursday of the month. You are invited with no obligation to one of our meetings. Doors open at 9.30am for tea/coffee followed by a speaker at 10.30am. If you decide to come along for a look, tell someone on reception you are new and one of our friendly greeters will show you round and answer any questions..

On **3rd April** Joy Wood will be joining us to talk about her "*Journey from Nursing to Author*." She worked as a nurse for 40 years but has never looked back since she started writing. She credits her morning walks on Cleethorpes seaford for giving her the ideas for her novels.

Our speaker on **15th May** will be Deborah Yarwood from St Barnabas Hospice, well known for its wonderful work to support and comfort patients, family members and loved ones at the most difficult of times. Her talk entitled, "*All you wanted to know about St. Barnabas Hospice but were afraid to ask*", will reveal many aspects of the organisation which you may not have considered.

We offer various interest groups run by members for members. Check out our website [lindseyu3a.org.uk](http://lindseyu3a.org.uk) to see if anything appeals to you.

u3a members can also join various online talks, workshops and courses. You can find out more from [www.u3a.org.uk](http://www.u3a.org.uk)

If you can't come to one of our general meetings you could join us at the 'Gardeners' Retreat' tearoom at Scothern Nurseries for a cuppa and a chat at 10.15am on the fourth Thursday of the month. The next coffee morning will take place on **24th April**. Whether you're a newcomer wanting to know more about Lindsey u3a or if you're already a member and just fancy a cuppa, maybe a scone and a chat, do come along. Everyone is welcome.

Everything you need to know about Lindsey u3a can be found on our website [lindseyu3a.org.uk](http://lindseyu3a.org.uk). You will find a comprehensive list of our interest groups, where and when they meet plus news about visits of local interest or theatre visits, lunches and holidays arranged by members for members.

Should you require any further information about Lindsey u3a please do not hesitate to contact me - Mandy Murphy. Email: [mandy.murphy1396@gmail.com](mailto:mandy.murphy1396@gmail.com) Tel: 01673 565295

## RACE NIGHT AT BISHOP NORTON VILLAGE HALL

Saturday 26th April - 7.30pm start

Tickets are £8 per person - to include a light supper

To book your place please contact Ros 075123108043 or Karen 818798/ 07516289365

**If you have news, an article or story, or are holding an event you feel would be of interest to other local residents, please contact Steve, the editor.**

**The deadline for entries to the May 2025 Signpost  
is Tuesday the 15th of April at 6:00 p.m.**

## WELTON PATIENT AND DOCTORS ASSOCIATION

Tickets for the Spring lunch sold out very quickly and apologies to those who missed out! It will be full house on 11th April where, in addition to the lunch, there will be a free quiz to keep you occupied while you wait for your meal and also the usual raffle and cake stall (donations to either gratefully accepted) and there will be a selection of high quality greetings cards for sale priced just £1.25 each.

### PDA PLANT SALE

The PDA are once again holding a plant sale at the Welton May Fair on **Monday 5th May**. We will have a good selection of bedding plants and vegetable plants at reasonable prices. Hopefully some larger plants as well eg rose bushes, hydrangeas etc If anyone with green fingers would consider growing us a few plants, flower or vegetable, it would be appreciated. We also take house plants and any larger plants you might have dug out of your garden and split. We can collect if necessary and have the use of a large greenhouse to store plants in. We can also provide small plant pots if anyone would like some, just give me a call.

As the cost of food items continues to rise, the PDA committee has taken the difficult decision to raise the price of tickets for our lunches. Tickets for the Christmas lunch will cost £10. I hope that all our regular diners will accept this decision.

Any further information on any of the above don't hesitate to give me a call on 01673 862570.

Janet Goddard

### PLEASE DO NOT USE THE ABOVE NUMBER TO BOOK TRANSPORT

### BISHOP NORTON WEDNESDAY LUNCHES

Two course home-cooked meal with tea or coffee served in the village hall at 12 Noon  
(Vegetables sponsored by Jenny's Cafe & Vegetable stall, Hibalstow)

### The dates for the next lunches are 9th April & 13th May

£6.00 PER PERSON - EVERYONE WELCOME!

Please ring at least four days in advance if you are **NOT** attending

Karen 01673 818798

## WELTON VILLAGE LIBRARY AND COMMUNITY HUB

Based at Manor Park, Hackthorn Road Welton LN2 3PA - Facebook page @WeltonVillageLibrary

Our opening hours are Monday: 12 noon to 5pm, Tuesday: 9:30am to 2:30pm, Wednesday & Saturday: 10am to 12 noon

Note that we will be closed for the Easter Break on Saturday 19th April and Monday 21st April. We re-open Tuesday 22nd April at 9:30am

Have you tried one of our board games events yet? We've enjoyed the company of many enthusiastic games players to date and look forward to seeing participants old and new on **Saturday 12th April** and **Wednesday 16th April**. You can come along at any time between 10:15 and 11:45am on both or either days and please bring your favourite game along to share with others if you wish or just enjoy the games we have available. We do ask that children aged 11 and under are accompanied by an adult.

Another of our ever popular children's craft events will take place on **Saturday 26th April** starting at 10:30am with a story. This event is suitable for accompanied children aged between 4 and 11. What surprises will the children find to craft this month?

**Tuesday morning** storytime continues to be very popular with pre school children (older siblings welcome in school holidays) and runs between 9:30 and 10:00am every week, we find that parents, grandparents and carers also enjoy!

We don't like to forget our book lovers, our reservation shelf gets busier all the time with library members able to order any book from the Lincolnshire Libraries catalogue to be delivered to the library free of any charges. You can order on line, use the libraries app on a smart phone or call in for a chat to one of our friendly volunteers who will help you with your selection and order it for you. Not a member? Just call in with some identification that confirms your address and we will get you started. Children just need to come in with an adult and we use their identification.

Mike

Welton Library Volunteer

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<b>162 operated by Stagecoach</b>		<b>162 operated by Stagecoach</b>	
Waddingham, adj Marquis Of Granby PH	09:30	Lincoln Central Bus Station (Bay N)	13:30
Snitterby, opp Royal Oak Inn	09:33	Ermine West, adj Ruckland Avenue	13:37
Bishop Norton, opp St Peter's Church	09:38	Hackthorn, adj War Memorial	13:55
Glenthams, opp The Old Parsonage	09:43	Spridlington, opp Bus Shelter	14:03
Normanby by Spital, opp Church	09:48	Owmby by Spital, opp Surgery	14:10
Owmby by Spital, adj Surgery	09:52	Normanby by Spital, adj Church	14:12
Spridlington, at Bus Shelter	09:57	Glenthams, adj The Old Parsonage	14:17
Hackthorn, opp War Memorial	10:05	Bishop Norton, adj St Peter's Church	14:22
Ermine West, opp Ruckland Avenue	10:18	Snitterby, adj Royal Oak Inn	14:27
Lincoln Central Bus Station (Bay N)	10:30	Waddingham, opp Marquis Of Granby PH	14:30

### **POST OFFICE OPENING TIMES**

<b>Glenthams</b>	<b>Monday</b>	<b>09:00 - 11:30</b>
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Thought for the Month:

"April is a reminder that something better is always around the corner."

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Bus Enquiries	08456 050605	Hibaldstow	01652 650580
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