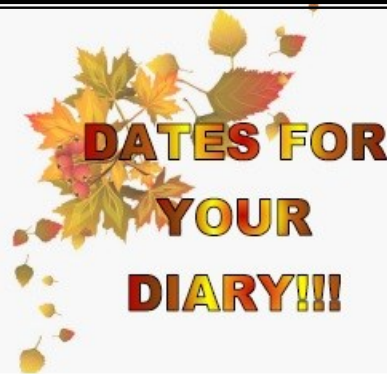




EVERY **LAST FRIDAY** OF THE MONTH

Come Join **Friends** and **neighbours** for a friendly chat and drink at Durweston Village hall, suitable for all ages, so **bring the family!**

September 29th



October 27th



November 24th

7 until 11pm

Cash/Card - Bar open

Look out for more details each month

Durweston Village Hall

Newsletter September 2023 Tel 01258 488883

DURWESTON AUTUMN VILLAGE SUPPER



Saturday 7th October

Doors open at 6.30 - Meal 7pm

Music 8pm until 11pm

Come and pull up a chair and embrace the wonderful atmosphere at Durweston Village Hall, with friends and neighbours new and old, enjoy a wonderful homemade meal followed by live music from The Beagles.

Tickets £10 per head - 16 years+

**Tickets Via Durweston Village
Hall 01258 488883 or
Kayleigh on 07947089959**

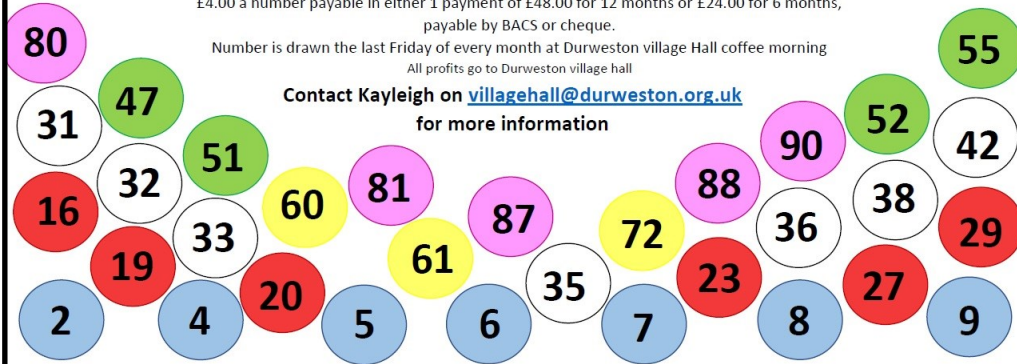
150 CLUB

Give yourself a chance of winning **£100 or £50** each month
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All you have to do is buy a number/s (look below for available numbers)
£4.00 a number payable in either 1 payment of £48.00 for 12 months or £24.00 for 6 months,
payable by BACS or cheque.

Number is drawn the last Friday of every month at Durweston village Hall coffee morning
All profits go to Durweston village hall

Contact Kayleigh on villagehall@durweston.org.uk
for more information



St Nicholas Church

CONTACT for Weddings, Baptisms, funerals and churchyard
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601462 or email dkmiell@gmail.com and our Associate Priest is
Rev Henriët Miell Tel: 07484 675097
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REGULAR SERVICES AT ST NICHOLAS

FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH Holy Communion 11 am

THIRD SUNDAY OF THE MONTH Evensong 6 pm



Live music at Durweston Village Hall



26th February 2023
Mitchell and Vincent
Folk tunes and songs from the British
Isles on fiddle and guitar.
2:45pm

Tickets: advance - adult £10/child £8
on the door - adult £12/child £10



24th September 2023
Edwina Hayes
Sweet voiced gentle folk-Americana
singer-songwriter.
2:45pm

Tickets: advance - adult £12/child £8
on the door - adult £14/child £10



15th October 2023
Becoming Branches
Folk-Americana trio blending acoustic sounds
and soaring harmonies.
2:45pm

Tickets: advance - adult: £8/child £6
on the door - adult: £10/child £8



26th November 2023
Tim Edey
One of the world's finest melodeon and guitar
players in the folk & contemporary scene today.
2:45pm

Tickets: advance - adult £12/child £8
on the door - adult £14/child £10

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News from the plot

It's a peaceful Sunday morning in August and we are sitting drinking coffee on our plot on Durweston Allotments, enjoying the sound of bird song and admiring the views of the adjacent countryside. It's not all rest and relaxation though, the rain we have had over the last couple of months, although welcome, has brought the weeds out in their hundreds! There are potatoes and onions to dig up, beans, cucumbers and courgettes to be picked, squash to feed, lavender to cut back, flowers to deadhead, more seeds to be sown, a never ending list of jobs to be done but the rewards of our hard work are tenfold. Delicious fresh food for the table, a bursting freezer of produce and a general sense of well-being from working outdoors in the fresh air. We are truly blessed.

The majority of allotment plots are filled but there is an area that has been left vacant for a number of years and therefore in a very neglected state. Anyone considering taking on part of this must be prepared for hard physical work and have the time to commit to preparing and maintaining the land. Allotments do not look after themselves, it requires many hours of upkeep a week. Should anyone be interested in taking on a challenging plot or wishes to be put on a waiting list for a vacancy on existing plots please email me at: wendytaylor64@aol.com. Priority goes to residents of Durweston, however, applicants from neighbouring villages who are struggling to get a plot in their own area could be considered.

Wendy and Mark Taylor

Full House at Quiz night and what a lot of laughs we all had.

Thankyou to anyone that joined us over the bank holiday weekend, we love being able to put events on for the locals to enjoy and we cant do them without your support. We value your feedback and would love to hear any ideas you have of what we could do in the future.

The village Hall really is a place to bring people together, whilst enjoying the hall and its surroundings so please keep following our facebook page to see up coming events and please come a long and bring a few neighbours too!



We love that Teddy 20 use our wonderful venue for their amazing events to raise money for childrens cancer. We had the best day in great company and sunshine, setting our beloved teddys to parachute or fly down the zip wire. They have more events coming up so please do keep an eye out and get a long to one of them if you can.

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The end of the summer term saw the usual whirl of activities at Durweston School. This year's performance was The Greatest Show. It had *everything* – escapologists, strong men, buffalo bill, performing fleas, goodies, baddies a happy ending and of course, superb performance and excellent singing. A real joy to behold even the quieter children really coming to life.

We also enjoyed our annual Musical Celebration afternoon where children shared their singing and music making, and hopefully inspired musicians for the future. It is interesting how the balance of instruments changes over the years. We once had lots of violinists, then there were a few years of brass, now drumming is in ascendance. Max, Rosie and Leon really raised the roof with performances that got the whole school clapping. Fortunately, Evie, Imogen, Tabitha and maintained the balance with performances on violin, French horn, piano and flute, and all of this was interspersed with singing from Wilf, Henry, Mabel, Ravenna, Heath, Gwendoline, and Tabitha.



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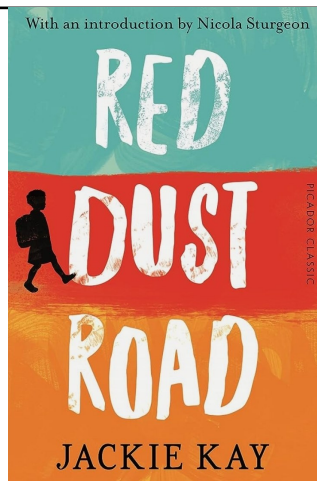
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DURWESTON BOOK CLUB

RED DUST ROAD by Jackie Kay. First Published 2010. It has a good introduction by Nicola Sturgeon.

Early whispers suggested that this recent meeting promised to be a lively discussion – always the sign of a good book club – and at the start maybe half of us had not taken to the book at first.

Jackie Kay – Poet, Playwright, Novelist. Born in Edinburgh on 9th November 1961 to a Scottish mother and a Nigerian Father, she was adopted around the age of 2 and brought up in Glasgow (in an area known as “Spam Valley”). This book was first published in 2010 a little before she turned 50. Only when she was pregnant with her son Matthew did she decide to try and find her birth parents. This is that memoir. She first met her birth father when she was 42, and later met her birth mother.

Jackie Kay is gay, mixed-race, adopted, has been an un-wed mother and Scottish. She deals with all these issues which are really about identity – in a way which is in turn poignant, lyrical, objective, sometimes very funny but always clear and never miserable. She doesn’t waste a word. She is very clear eyed about the effects of racism. Some of her short sentences hit you in the gut. Her adoptive parents are brilliantly portrayed as clear thinkers, straightforward, loving parents. Never once did they regard the adoption of the mixed-race Jackie (and later her brother also mixed-race), in the 1960s, as a problem. They regarded themselves as the fortunate ones.

We did indeed have a good discussion. Partly because while Jackie Kay was good at conveying that she did very often feel “other” she showed that for her it was interesting. Those who took a little while to get into the book were in the end very glad they had persevered and come to like it. Others loved the book from the start. Her opening chapter is by turns poignant and hilarious (I was gripped from the off) describing her first meeting (part of her journey was along the Red Dust Road) in Africa with her birth father. Her birth mother’s story is sadder, as is her birth father’s attitude to her later in the book. I would happily re-read this book. Overall is a joyful read.

Mrs J D Schern.

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Then there was the Awards assembly where we could celebrate everyone’s achievements and Leavers, when we said goodbye to this year’s Year 6. Always a little sad, especially when you are saying goodbye to families as well as children, but we know they are ready to spread their wings and make the most of what comes next in their lives. As a special treat this year, they had breakfast together at St Nick’s café on Thursday morning.

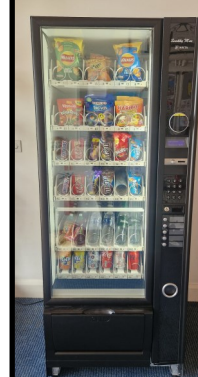
And so there it is, another academic year done and dusted. Lots of things to be thankful for, not least the support of the village hall on so many occasions. We hope you all have a super summer.

Nicola Brooke

*May the peace of the Lord go with you
Wherever he may send you
May he guide you through the wilderness, protect you through the storm.
May He bring you home rejoicing, at the wonders he has shown you
May he bring you home rejoicing once again unto our door.*

We are very excited to announce that the Village Hall now has its very own Vending Machine.

To be found in the front entrance and very easy to use, Card Only and is already very popular. Come Take a look and let us know any favorites you would like us to stock in the future



THE LITTLE PAGE OF HAPPY RECIPES

As I am sure you have seen the Blackberries at the moment are amazing ... if you can beat Dolcie to them then why not go for a lovely walk in the sunshine, pick some and try this recipe

INGREDIENTS

- 225g unsalted butter, plus extra for the tin
 - 225g spelt flour
 - 1 ½ tsp baking powder
 - 225g rolled oats
- 225g light brown soft sugar
- 2 tbsp pomegranate molasses
- 60g chopped hazelnuts
- 200g blackberries

METHOD

- Heat the oven to 180C/160C fan/ gas 4. Butter a 20cm square cake tin and line with baking parchment. Combine the flour, baking powder and oats in a large bowl. Set aside
- Tip the butter, sugar and molasses into a [saucepan](#) over a medium-low heat and stir for a few minutes until just melted. Remove from the heat and pour into the dry ingredients, then stir to combine.
- Spoon half the crumble mixture into the prepared tin, pressing it down in an even layer and making sure the surface is level.
- Scatter over the hazelnuts and blackberries, then spoon over the remaining crumble mixture – no need to level it out too much.

Bake for 30 mins until golden, then leave to cool in the tin for 10 mins. Cut into squares to serve. Will keep in an airtight container for up to five days.

We Hope You Enjoy!!

THE BIG ALL DAY SUMMER CAFE @ ST NICK'S

St Nick's All Day Summer Cafe...., So it was decided on one of our Spring cafe days that during the holidays we would hold an all day event ! And after much deliberation planning and baking our first All dayer took place. The sun shone and supporters flooded in from breakfast through lunch and onto afternoon cream tea. Everything was home made and local . The glasses of Pimms went down very nicely too. Members of volunteers from Big Yellow bus project sold beautiful flower bouquets. This raised much needed money for this great community space. The proceeds from the cafe all of which was for St Nick's church totalled £596. A tremendous achievement. Thank you to everyone involved from cafe team to all our lovely customers who made it a very special and worthwhile event. Don't forget St



Nick's Cafe is open weekly from 8.30 til 12 each Thursday in our historic church. See you there soon.