

TEMPLE SOWERBY COURIER

July 2022 20th Edition

Coffee Mornings

The coffee mornings at the Victory Hall continue to be held on every first and third Tuesday of the month from 10.00 to midday. Tea or coffee with a cake are still only £1.50 and the friendly conversation is free. Everyone is welcome. If you would like to help out occasionally please mention it to us when you come along. Also conveniently, the Post Office van is outside the hall every Tuesday at around 11.40 – 12.05.

Appleby Transport Group

The Appleby Transport Group / Friends of Eden Valley Public Transport needs a representative from Temple Sowerby. Meetings are held in Appleby around three times a year and are timed so that you can attend by public transport if you wish. They are usually on a Friday morning. If you feel that you would like to represent the village at these meetings please contact Angela on 017684 28769 for details.

Temple Sowerby Village Lottery

So far this year there have been 33 lucky winners in the village, and there are still 3 more prizes to be won - which will be drawn in July.

A total of £876 is given in prize money during each year and as there are no other costs all the remaining money goes to support the Victory Hall and the Village School.

Last year the Lottery was able to hand over a cheque of £777 to the Victory Hall and another of the same value to the Village School.

You will be aware that in the last couple of years it has been difficult to raise funds for the Victory Hall and the school, so the Lottery contribution is even more appreciated.

This is just a reminder, you will recently have had (or soon will have) a request to renew your lottery tickets – or even to purchase an extra number!. You never know, this may be your lucky year!

For any further information about the lottery please contact Graham & June Cawley by email at: cawleyjune@gmail.com or Tel: 01768 361 094

Acorn Bank Report

Acorn Bank is gearing up for a glorious summer. The deck chairs are out on the Haha with a request for the sun to shine on them! As well as our stunning gardens, bountiful harvest and shady woods there will be lots of family fun. There are active games like hula hoops, stepping stones, bean bag challenges, “cup and ball” and skittles and the woods are great for den building and exploring. We now have a richly diverse hay meadow with the help of 2 of our tenant farmers. The Garden Team will be increasing the diversity of the meadow with various appropriate plants in the coming years. Nick at the Shepherds Hut says that with its wide range of habitats Acorn Bank provides suitable environments for a variety of animals. For example in addition to the usual woodland and garden species of birds there are at least 4 pairs of Redstarts. Also there are Woodcock and the rare Wood Warbler both of which nest in the leaf litter (so be careful where you tread!). On Crowdundle Beck there are Dippers, and Grey Wagtails breeding; also Herons and Goosanders come on fishing trips. There are otters resident on the estate which are most often seen near the mill and Red Squirrels have come back thanks to the peace and quiet of the Covid Lockdowns and the work of the Eden Valley Red Squirrel Ranger. We are lucky to have such rewarding place to visit on our doorstep!

Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Last but very definitely not least Temple Sowerby produced a praiseworthy series of events for this, all of which were very impressive. Apart from some typical Cumbrian weather on the Thursday Evening the weather gods were kind to us especially on the Saturday when sun cream was needed.

The successful outcome did not just happen – it was the result of considerable planning work as well as a lot of people helping during the various events. We must thank everybody involved for their efforts during the Jubilee. I hesitate to mention anybody by name with the interesting exception of Gavin Young - who “topped and tailed” us with Bagpiping on the Thursday evening and then set an interesting History Quiz for the Sunday evening.

Remember to visit and use the Village website www.templesowerby.org.uk