

Thorngate Newsletter

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Lockerley and East Dean Harvest Supper

The ever-popular Harvest Supper will be on Saturday 3rd October in Lockerley Memorial Hall at 7pm.

Come and enjoy a delicious 3-course meal, plus entertainment (Lockerley & District Silver Band).

Bring your friends for a great night out!

Adults £12 Children £3. Tickets from Yvonne 01794 340603, Barbara 01794 340606, or Sarah 01794 328857

West Tytherley Store Extension Meeting Update

Thank you to the 60 people who attended the community meeting held at King Edward's Hall on Monday 10th August.

The modest extension will offer an enhancement of our existing services to our community. It is designed to build a strong performance for our store and to protect the future of this valuable community asset. It will bring a new, small community space that does not currently exist in West Tytherley, where you can enjoy company, good coffee, other refreshments and snacks available in the shop. It will also offer additional shelving to improve the selection of products available for you to buy, with a focus on local businesses.

To have an effective exchange of views, questions and suggestions, the committee shared a full update on the extension proposal ensuring common understanding of what it is, the current status, the financial plan and the next steps. There was no time limit to the meeting to ensure that all those present had full opportunity to share views, questions and make suggestions. There was good engagement from those present and the time allowed for a healthy debate amongst the attendees. Councillor Stewart McDonald from Test Valley was in the audience and shared their support for this initiative which is based on a proven track record of similar projects improving the health of rural businesses when faced with similar challenges to our store.

The full presentation can be found in the file section of the West Tytherley Village Square site. If you were unable to attend the meeting and have any questions, views or suggestions, please do email the committee via wtytherleyshop@gmail.com. The committee have captured and will be reviewing the observations and suggestions at our next meeting.

A community project always benefits from community support. In the file, it shares how you could support this important initiative. If you would like to help, please do email the committee via wtytherleyshop@gmail.com.

Lockerley Coffee Shop

Lockerley Coffee Shop is run by volunteers and is open in the Memorial Hall on Monday and Thursday mornings between 9 o'clock and 12 noon. It is a friendly place to come for all ages for company and very reasonably priced refreshments.

Everyone is welcome. Our volunteers help in several ways. Some put out the tables and chairs and clear them away afterwards. Some make cakes (expenses are available for these) and some serve and wash up for a couple of hours.

If you would like to get involved do contact Sally on 01794 340215 or sal.masters@btinternet.com. Alternatively, just drop in when we're open. We'd love to see you.

Lockerley Parish Council – Future of the Parish Room

The next meeting of Lockerley Parish Council will be held at 6pm on Monday 21 September 2026 at the Lockerley Memorial Hall.

The main item on the agenda will be the future of the Parish Room.

The Parish Council is currently reviewing the future of the Parish Room and is keen to hear the views of people living in the parish before any final decision is made. Those wishing to comment are warmly invited to attend the meeting and will have the opportunity to address the Council during the public participation session.

If you are unable to attend but would like your comments to be considered, please email the Parish Clerk, Kevin Glyn-Davies, at clerk@lockerley-pc.gov.uk before the meeting.

The Parish Council welcomes your views and encourages everyone living in the parish to take this opportunity to help inform its decision on the future of this important community asset.



Lockerley & East Dean War Memorial Hall

Management Committee Meeting

Wednesday 9th September
6:30 pm

**OUR HALL HAS A FUTURE
BUT WHO WILL HELP**

The building is thriving.
Now we need more people to help keep it that way



COULD YOU
GIVE A LITTLE TIME?



HELP WITH
AN EVENT?



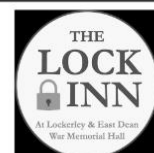
JOIN
THE TEAM?

Everyone's help makes a difference
All welcome

Our Hall has a future — but who will help?

There's lots to feel positive about at the Hall, but everything that happens here relies on people giving a little of their time to make it happen. As we look towards the year ahead, we'd love more people to get involved — whether that's helping with an event, sharing a skill, lending a hand occasionally or perhaps joining the team.

Come along to our next Management Committee meeting on Wednesday 9th September at 6.30pm to find out more.



**FRIDAY 25TH SEPTEMBER
6:30PM-10:30PM**

Come join us for our autumn get together!

- Fully licensed bar
- Pub games
- Cash & card payments accepted
- The Hive Youth & Kids Club (6:30pm-8:30pm)
- All proceeds support your village hall!

No need to book – come along and enjoy the evening with your community!

We look forward to seeing you there!



Caterpillars Playgroup

Every Tuesday during term-time 10:00 – 11.00

£2.00 'play as you go'

Lockerley Primary School

We invite you to come along to our playgroup, from birth to 5year olds.

There will be songs, stories, Craft and toys.

Run by an Early Years Practitioner

We have baby-weighing scales

Refreshments served

No need to sign up, just come along and join the fun.

Little Fishes

Little Fishes is a singing and music-making group for babies, pre-school children and their parents and carers. It is supported by Lockerley Church and runs every Monday morning in term-time in Lockerley Memorial Hall between 9.30am and 10.15am.

It is led by singing teacher Annie Tatnall and the cost is £3 per family for each session. There is no need to book. Just come along, meet new people and have some fun!

If you would like to know more phone Sally on 01794 340215 or email annietatnall@hotmail.com

Thorngate Village Care Group

Our local support network of volunteers ready to help, all DBS checked, insured and ready, willing and able to help in so many ways – lifts to medical and other appointments, prescription and shopping collection, other support, eg form filling, phone calls etc.

The Care Group is affiliated to the Good Neighbours Network and covers Lockerley, East Dean, East and West Tytherley and the Hampshire residents of West Dean.

Requests for help - contact any coordinator

Lockerley/East Dean - Diana 07464 956759 or Liz 340993

Tytherleys - Barbara 341672, or Lucia 07799 561029

Village Lunch Club

Do you live in East or West Tytherley, Lockerley or East Dean? Come and meet your friends and make new ones over a home- cooked lunch in Lockerley Memorial Hall, on the following dates each month. Just £7 for 2 courses and a glass of wine or soft drink. There's a small raffle for Charity and a quiz too. 12 noon - 2.30pm.

Sundays **20 September**, 15 November

Fridays 16 October, 11 December

Please get in touch if you'd like to know more - phone Liz - 01794 340993.

Lockerley Church of England Primary School

OPEN MORNINGS

WEDNESDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER 9:30AM

TUESDAY 13TH OCTOBER 9:30AM

COME AND SEE HOW WE MAKE A REAL DIFFERENCE

We warmly welcome you and your child to visit our school. There will be many different activities for your child to get involved in, including pond dipping, gardening, sports and arts.

Pop-Up Pub with Live Music from Local Bluegrass Country Band, North Drive!

Saturday 10th October 2026, Lockerley Village Hall, from 7pm

A fabulous night of bluegrass and folk music with the amazing North Drive, a Hampshire Based band specialising in Bluegrass, Americana and Roots music. With their own unique combination of original songs and carefully chosen covers accompanied by the guitar, banjo, mandolin and bass, this is bound to be a night to remember – book now to avoid disappointment!

Licensed bar, hot food and games available!

Tickets in advance from northdrive.eventbrite.com:

Adults £5 / Kids £2.50

Tickets on the door: Adults £6 / Kids £3

Find out more about the band at www.northdrivebluegrass.site

Any queries please email friendsoflockerleyschool@gmail.com

All profits will go to Friends of Lockerley School

Sarah Rolle Trust

Established 1731

The Trust makes grants for educational purposes for people who are:

- Under 25
- Live in Lockerley with East Dean or East Tytherley

Lockerley and West Tytherley Primary Schools have been supported as have local groups and individuals. There is no 'means test' – all are encouraged to apply.

The Trustees next meeting is on the 27th October 2026.

Please send your application to the Secretary by 14 October 2026. Postal or e-mail applications may be submitted.

You can get an application form from:

<https://www.lockerley.org.uk/index.php/component/content/article/sarah-rolle>

e-mail:sarahrolle1731@gmail.com

Lockerley & West Tytherley Schools

Secretary, Holly Lodge, Top Green, Lockerley, SO51 0JP
(01794 279194)

Garden Club

A big thank you to everyone who brought a display to our Show at the beginning of August and also to all those who helped set it up. Our first meeting of the Autumn will be on September 17th at 7.30pm in the Lockerley Memorial Hall when Amanda Gormersall will be giving a talk on winning a show garden. We will also have a seed swap so do bring some from your garden to share.

Don't forget that non-members are always welcome for an entry fee of £2. We look forward to seeing you, from Nicola Bell (Chairman)

**Macmillan Coffee Morning
@ St Winfrith's Church, East Dean**

Saturday 26 September 2026, 10 - 12noon

Come and have a cup of coffee and a piece of home-made cake and meet your neighbours.

All donations to Macmillan Cancer Research.

***A Wonderful Start to the New Term at West Tytherley
C of E Primary School***

We hope everyone has had a sunny and happy summer. It has been fantastic to welcome everyone back to school. The children are full of enthusiasm and curiosity as they settle into their new routines in their new classes.

This term promises to be busy and fun! Our extra-curricular clubs for this term include cookery, karaoke, construction, arts and crafts and multi-sports - something for everyone!

Thank you to our fantastic community for your continued support of our school. If you're on Facebook, we'd love for you to follow our school page ("West Tytherley C of E Primary School") where we regularly share photos and videos showcasing our exciting learning journeys and school experiences.

Open Events for 2027 Intake

If your child is due to start school in September 2027, we would be delighted to welcome you to one of our upcoming open events:

**Friday 25th September - 1.30pm
Wednesday 30th September - 9.30am
Monday 19th October - 1.30pm**

Please join us to meet our Executive Headteacher, Mrs Macey and enjoy a tour of our school and its incredible grounds!

If you would like to bring your child along, they will be very welcome and will have the opportunity to take part in some activities with West Tytherley pupils.

To book a place on one of our Open Events, please contact us using the details below.

✉ adminoffice@west-tytherley.hants.sch.uk

☎ **01794 340338**



West Tytherley Table Tennis

There's a new activity in town!

Fancy a bit of fun, exercise and friendly banter? **West Tytherley Table Tennis** is now up and running!

We meet **every Wednesday from 6-8pm at King Edward's Hall**, and everyone is welcome — whether you're a complete beginner, an occasional player or already a keen table-tennis enthusiast.

All equipment is supplied, so there's no need to bring anything other than yourself. We have **two tables and plenty of space to move around**, making it easy to enjoy a game at your own pace.

So why not come along, have a go and meet some fellow villagers?

For more details, please email
Pat (pat.tudery@gmail.com)

For little ones aged 0-4 and their grown-ups!



Please join us for child-led play, crafts, singing and biscuits! Friday (term time only), 9.30-11 @ King Edwards Hall, West Tytherley £2 per family.

Greetings from Lockerley Baptist Church

We meet each Sunday at 10.30am for morning worship. Anyone is welcome to join us at this service which is followed with tea or coffee and biscuits. Our next Coffee Morning will be held on Wednesday 16th September in the back hall from 10am to 12 Noon. Please come and join us. Light refreshments including home made cake and savouries will be available. If you would like any further information or help please phone Brian or Marion on 01794 341980. (Please note new number)

Some important emails sent to the Editor have not been getting through, which has been very upsetting. now, Please email both newsletter@lockerley.org.uk and jamespitkin@priest.com with items for the Newsletter. Many thanks, from *Phil the Editor and James the Vicar*

DIARY OF EVENTS

Visit the website www.lockerley.org.uk and www.easttytherleyvillage.com
for up to date diary and news entries



St Winfrith's, East Dean



St Peter's, East Tytherley



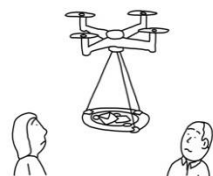
St John's, Lockerley



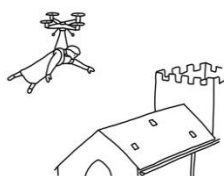
St Peter's, West Tytherley

September brings a season of fresh starts across our community. While we may still catch glimmers of summer weather, this month marks a time of significant change. Many of our neighbours are returning to classrooms, starting at college or university, or starting new jobs. Please join us in keeping all students, teachers, and school staff in your thoughts and prayers as they navigate these new beginnings.

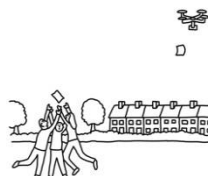
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TAKING UP THE COLLECTION



SURVEYING THE CHURCH ROOF



DELIVERING NEWSLETTERS AROUND THE PARISH



CHECKING UP ON THE NEIGHBOURS



PUTTING THE STAR ON THE CHURCH CHRISTMAS TREE



SEARCH AND RESCUE

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As the academic year kicks off, across the churches we enter our vibrant Harvest Season (Creationtide). Over the coming weeks, churches across the Deanery will host traditional celebrations to give thanks for the land and the hands that work it.

There will be special times of worship, prayer, and thanksgiving. There will be Harvest Suppers (Lockerley and East Dean – 3rd Oct; Sherfield English – 20th Sep; Wellow – 3rd Oct; and, West Tytherley – 9th Oct): Community gatherings to share food, laughter, and fellowship. Every congregation offers a unique personality and style of worship. Whether you prefer traditional choral services, quiet contemplation, or modern family worship, there is a space here for you. Do explore different churches this month until you find the community that feels like home.

Your Vicar and Rector, James

	6 th September	13 th September	20 th September	27 th September
East Dean	11am (BCP) Matins	9am (BCP) Communion	8am (BCP) Communion	-
East Tytherley	6pm Outdoor Service	-	-	-
Lockerley	8am (BCP) Communion 1030am Celebration Service	1030am Eucharist	1030am Celebration Service	1030am Eucharist
Sherfield English	11am Communion	11am Morning Prayer	11am Harvest Family Service	11am Morning Prayer
West Tytherley	9.45/10am Breakfast Church	8am (BCP) Communion	9am Eucharist	9am (BCP) Matins
Wellow	9.15am Sung Eucharist 4pm Messy Church in Village Hall	9.15am Sung Eucharist	9.15am Sung Eucharist	8.15am (BCP) Communion 9.15am (BCP) Matins 3pm Choral Evensong

Facebook page and access to Services: www.facebook.com/groups/thorngateandblackwaterchurches

Monday to Saturday: 9am Online Morning Prayer and 9pm Online Night Prayer

Notes: BCP – Traditional services from the Book of Common Prayer, all other services are Modern Language from Common Worship

There are 20 minute mid-week Communion Services every Wednesday in Lockerley at 9am

Church Contacts:		Items for the October Edition Newsletter to be sent or given to: The Vicar (contact details on the left) Or email newsletter@lockerley.org.uk By 12 Noon <u>Latest</u> 15th September	
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