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2023
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NORTH TAUNTON NEWS

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Priorswood Community Centre

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1st Friday in the
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**LOCAL HISTORY
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1st Thursday of
the month
1.30-3.30pm
£2.00



Dear Residents

My article in the summer edition said, "Summer was here at last", I must have written that in June as summer certainly didn't stay with us for long this year.

Lots of things have been taking place over the summer months, we had our 5 activity days on Lyngford Park which were well supported and great family days out. If we are lucky enough to secure funding again, around £15,000 is needed, we hope they will be back next year. Lots of people asked for it to be better advertised, the reason we don't advertise is because these days are free for families of North Taunton, if we advertise them far and wide we wouldn't be able to offer them free and we would have to put in so many rules and regulations due to higher numbers of participants, the size of the park and the licence we have to obtain from the Council. The days have been running for 15 years so most people find out about them by word of mouth. Put the dates in your diary now, Tuesdays in the school summer holidays.

We've been lucky enough to visit Hestercombe House and Gardens 3 times with a small group looking at the history of the house, we hope to carry this on and find out more about the history.

John from the Museum of Somerset came along to run some reminiscence sessions which were really interesting and brought many memories back of the toys we used to play with and the sweets we used to have as children, please look out for these as they are great fun and really interesting.

We have lots coming up so have a look and please join us and support local, we are here for you.

See you soon.

Lesley

The Priorswood Community Centre is run as part of the North Taunton Partnership, a registered charity-number 1078827 which was set up in 1998.

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SOMERSET COMMUNITY CREDIT UNION COLLECTION MONDAY TO FRIDAY

9.30am to 12.30pm.



From left to right

Fiona Foster - Philanthropy Manager, Somerset Community Foundation

Andy Senneck-Volunteer at Priorswood Community Centre

Lisa Herd-Activities Coordinator Priorswood Community Centre

Lesley Council-Manager Priorswood Community Centre

James Holyday-Managing Director Summerfield Builders

Chloe Denning-Marketing Manager Summerfield Builders

We were lucky enough to receive a visit from Summerfield Builders on Wednesday 20th September, they were so impressed by the work we do and the support we give to local people that they offered to support us in various ways including grant funding over the next 3 years. This will make a huge difference to what we can offer and have a real impact on the groups we already have and potential new groups. We are extremely grateful for their support and their generous offer of grant funding.



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Christmas at St Andrews

Greenway Avenue, Taunton, TA2 6HU

Saturday 2nd December – 2.00pm

Christmas Market *in the Church*

Monday 18th December – 7.00pm

Community Carol Service

Tuesday 19th December – 6.00pm

Nativity on the Green, *opposite the Church*

Sunday 24th December

10.00am – Parish Eucharist

4.00pm - Crib service

11.30pm - Midnight Mass

Christmas Day – 10.00am

Family Eucharist

For more details, please contact the
Parish Office on 01823 332531, or look at

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SLOW COOKER SHEPHERD'S PIE

Ingredients

1 tbsp Olive Oil
1 onion, finely chopped
3-4 thyme sprigs
2 carrots, finely diced
250g lean (10%) mince lamb or beef
1tbsp plain flour
1tbsp tomato puree
400g can lentils, or white beans
1tsp Worcestershire Sauce

For the topping

650g Potatoes, peeled & cut into chunks
250g sweet potatoes, peeled & cut into chunks
2 tbsp half-fat crème fraiche

Serves 4



Other Items Needed

Slow Cooker, Saucepan
Frying Pan, Potato masher

Method

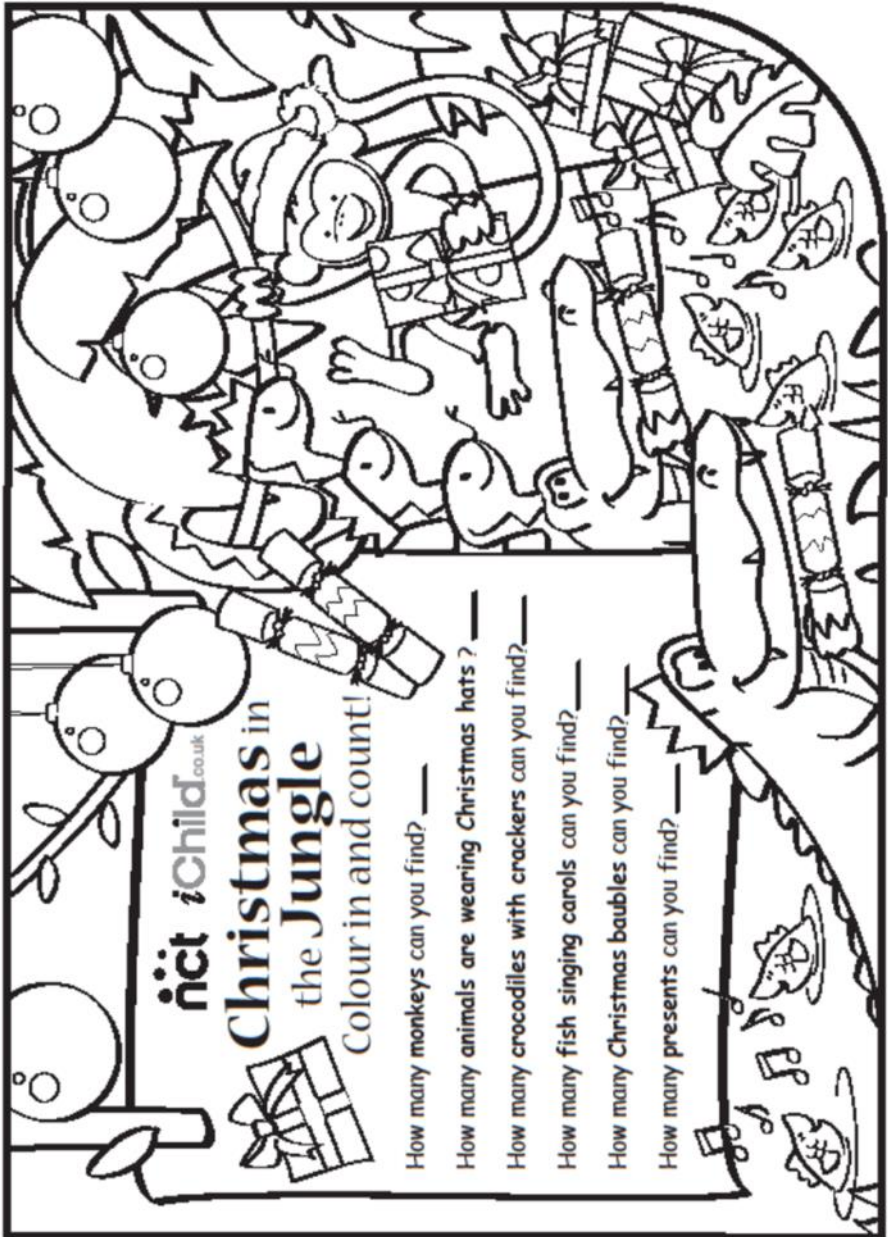
1. Heat the slow cooker if necessary. Heat the oil in a large frying pan. Put the onions and thyme sprigs into the frying pan and fry for 2-3 minutes. Then add the carrots & fry together, stirring occasionally until the vegetables start to brown. Stir in the mince and fry for 1-2 minutes until no longer pink. Stir in the flour then cook for another 1-2 mins. Stir in the tomato puree & lentils, season with pepper & Worcestershire sauce, adding a splash of water if you think the mixture is too dry. Scrape all the ingredients into the slow cooker.
2. Meanwhile cook both lots of potatoes in simmering water for 12-13 minutes or until they are cooked through. Drain well and mash adding the crème fraiche. Spoon this on top of the mince mixture and cook on low for 5 hours - the mixture should be bubbling at the sides when its ready. Crisp up the potato topping under the grill if you like

ENJOY!!

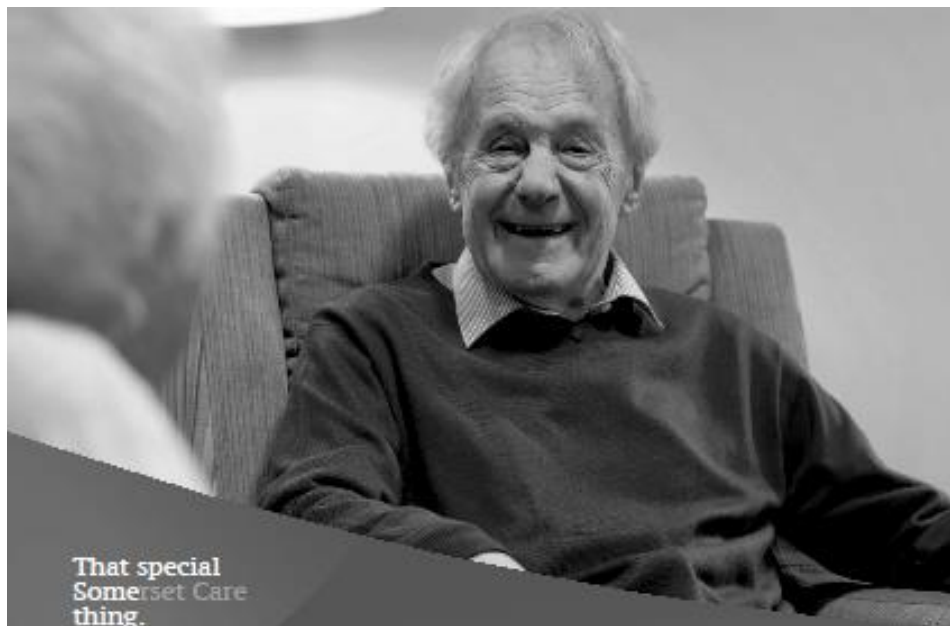
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Kids Activity Page

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CHRISTMAS WREATH WORKSHOP

Tuesday 12th December 1-3pm
Priorswood Community Centre, Taunton TA2 7JW



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PRIDE IN PRIORSWOOD SUMMER YOUTH ACTIVITIES 2023

We hope you all had as much fun as we did at this years Summer Youth activities in Lyngford Park. Personally my favourite week was music week, we have so many talented children in Priorswood-you were all amazing!!! Lisa



We would also like to say a huge thank you to everyone who attended, and everyone who helped make this event happen each week including the volunteers at Priorswood Community Centre & Somerset Council. The ladies from Inner Wheel for their help and delicious cakes they made each week. Also thank you to the organisations involved for providing lots of exciting activities for everyone, and Brook Green Nursery for preparing delicious lunches for everyone & the grandmother who made packed lunches each week.



With out Funders the Pride in Priorswood Summer Activity days would not be possible.

Thank you to our 2023 funders:

- Somerset Council
- Jazz Apples
- Commissioners Crime Fund
- North Taunton One Team
- Children & Youth Initiative Fund
- The High Sherriff of Somerset Charitable Trust
- Magdalen Hospital Trust
- Somerset Community Foundation
- Friends of Taunton Library Group for funding Garwynn & his reptiles in the library
- Buffalo Trailers (a div of Holden Engineering) who funded the extra cost for a new trailer which will be used for transporting all the equipment during the summer activities



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Smoothie Bike



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Safe Families

SUNDAYS
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TUESDAYS

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THURSDAYS

1st Thursday of the month
Rowbarton Discussion Group
10am to noon



WEDNESDAYS

Praying Together 9:30am

Meet 'n' Sing

1st & 3rd Wednesdays

10:30am to noon

Wesley Guild

2nd & 4th Wednesdays

2:45pm – 4pm

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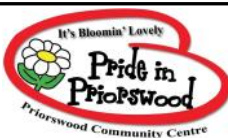




1. How many times does Santa check his list?
2. What does Santa Claus bring on Christmas Eve to children who are naughty?
3. What two colours are popular at Christmas?
4. What flavour are Candy canes?
5. What colour is The Grinch?
6. What animal carries Mary to Bethlehem?
7. What store hosts a huge parade every Thanks Giving in America?
8. What Christmas dessert is made with molasses?
9. In which country does Santa leave presents in children's shoes?
10. In what Christmas Carol do singers request "figgy pudding"?

Summer Edition Answers

1. Summer Loving had me a blast 2. Saint Swithins 3. Gemini, Cancer & Leo
4. 1908, 1948 & 1912 5. Indian Summer 6. Calvin Harris 7. Norman 8. The Popes
9. Homer Simpson 10. Some tarts 11. Sonnet 18 12. December 13. Summer Bay



PRIORSWOOD COMMUNITY CENTRE

Thank you

We are pleased to announce that our Autumn Bazaar made an amazing £554.49

Thank you to everyone who supported the event

PRIORSWOOD COMMUNITY CENTRE WEEKLY PROGRAMME

Supporting Residents Of North Taunton

MONDAY				
Every Week	1.30-3.30PM	SCRABBLE AND GAMES AFTERNOON	SCRABBLE, GAMES,SOCIAL GROUP	£2.00
1st Mon	10am-12pm	SW & T BENEFITS	DEBTS & BENEFITS	
TUESDAYS				
Every Week	1.30-3.30pm	KNIT & NATTER, CRAFTING AFTERNOON	KNITTING,CROCHET, NEEDLEWORK, CRAFTS	£2.50
WEDNESDAY				
3rd in Month	11.30am	WALKING GROUP	MEET PRIORSWOOD COMMUNITY CENTRE	FREE
Every Week	1.30-3.30pm	DIGITAL SUPPORT	BASIC DIGITAL HELP	£2.00
Every Week	5.15-6.15pm	CIRCUITS CLASS	ST ANDREWS HALL	£5.00
THURSDAY				
Every Week	10.15-11.15am	TAI CHI GENTLE EXERCISE	ST ANDREWS CHURCH HALL	£3.50
2nd & 4th IN MONTH	9.30am-12.30pm	CITIZENS ADVICE	ADVICE DROP IN	
Every Week	12-1pm	LUNCH CLUB	ST PETERS CHURCH HALL ADVANCED BOOKING REQUIRED	£4.50
1st IN MONTH	1.30-3.30pm	HISTORY GROUP	DISCOVER AND REMINISCE ABOUT LOCAL HISTORY	£2.00
3RD IN THE MONTH	1.00-2.30pm	MENOPAUSE SUPPORT GROUP	SUPPORT & GUEST SPEAKERS	£1.00
LAST IN THE MONTH	1.30-3.30PM	COOKING GROUP	COOKING	£4.00
4TH IN THE MONTH	10AM-12PM	CENTRE FOR SUSTAINABLE ENERGY	FREE ADVICE, HINTS & TIPS ON YOUR ENERGY	
FRIDAY				
1st IN MONTH	12.30-2pm	CREATIVE WRITERS GROUP	FOR WRITERS OF ALL ABILITIES	£2.50

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Dates & Speakers for this year

26th October – Genealogy

23rd November – Christmas Crafts

25th November – Christmas Quiz

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Get planning now for a stress-free festive season



With summer holidays now a distant memory, thoughts are beginning to turn to the festive season. This is often an expensive time of year for families, and with the sharp rise in the cost of living still biting, could require careful planning.

Create a Christmas budget and stick to it.

Make a detailed list of your planned spending for the festive season, broken down into categories such as gifts, food and drink, social events and decorations

Shop early and savvily.

Doing so will give you plenty of time to hunt for bargains, benefit from special deals and nab popular items, rather than being forced to opt for more expensive substitutes late in the day.

Food for thought.

Christmas is also a time when it's easy to overbuy food, with perishables sometimes going to waste. Remember that the shops are only closed for a couple of days and that it's easy to restock after Boxing Day.

Make a meal of things.

Food prices have been a topical issue this year and extra treats at Christmas can easily push up supermarket shops. If you're hosting family members or friends for dinner, getting everyone to pitch in with festive fare can ease the strain all round.

Have honest conversations.

Cost of living increases have put a squeeze on many household incomes and if you're concerned about managing this year's Christmas celebrations, the chances are that some of your family members and friends are as well. Talking to others and coming to agreements about price limits for gifts or 'Secret Santa's' can help to resolve these issues and reduce worries about rising costs.

Get creative.

Cooking tasty treats and making decorations at home are great ways of keeping the younger members of the family occupied on wet weather days, stemming over-excitement and reducing costs. These activities also offer wonderful opportunities to create special Christmas memories.

GET PLANNING FOR A STRESS-FREE FESTIVE SEASON!

- ✓ Halloween costumes
- ✓ Trick or treat sweets
- Christmas present list budget
- Stocking fillers
- Main gifts and food

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CHRISTMAS @ OAKWOOD

Sat 16th December - 'Little Red Riding Hood' pantomime!
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Sun 24th December

10.30am Christmas Carol Service

Mon 25th December

10.30-11.30am Christmas Morning Service

Free Energy Advice Drop In

10am to 12pm

Priorswood Community Centre

On the 4th Thursday of every month

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CSE's project, **Safe and Warm Somerset**, offers advice and support about anything energy related. We look at the energy efficiency of your home, low cost/no cost steps you can take to reduce your bills, as well as supplier or billing issues. We can help you apply for grants and, where necessary, emergency financial support. Did you know there are funds available for simple improvements like draught-proofing? We can tell you about those, too!

We usually resolve issues with just one discussion. If you have more complicated problems, we can connect you with a specialist caseworker for ongoing support. Maybe you're having difficulties with your energy supplier — we can join in conversations and advocate for you to reach a solution you're happy with.

Our belief is that nobody should be cold in their home this winter. So come along with your questions and see how we can help you stay safe and warm at home. In the meantime, you can look at [CSE's online advice pages](#) for immediate guidance.

Neroche Woodlanders
“Wild Explorers” Parent and Toddler Group



Neroche Woodlanders experienced, warm and friendly team provide a safe and welcoming space for new and young parents to meet in beautiful woodland. Together we explore the woods, play, learn and enjoy being outside in all weathers and seasons, making our own connections with nature.

Our group runs on Fridays at our main camp in Young Wood, on the Blackdown Hills just outside Taunton. Transport from various points in Taunton is available and a hot lunch cooked over the campfire is provided. We can lend waterproofs for parents and children from our big supply. This group is funded through various sources and is for lower income families.

If you would like more information please contact Sarah on sarah@nerochewoodlanders.org or see our website nerochewoodlanders.org.

Neroche Woodlanders is a social enterprise based in the public forest estate of the Blackdown Hills, Somerset.



Regular Activities at Wellsprings Community Church

Quantock Road, TA2 7NL



Cafe Connect

Cafe Connect, our community cafe at Wellsprings Community Church (Quantock Road, Taunton, TA2 7NL), is now open every **Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 10.30am to 1.30pm.**

As well as our extensive menu (a sample on the back of this card) there's a cozy fire and help with using your computer/mobile phone, newspapers to read, toys and activities for children, and always someone to chat to!

for more info ring **TJ** on 07896677998 or email tc@wellsprings.org.uk



Cafe DRINKS

SPECIAL OFFERS
 1/2 price + 1/2 price of main £1.00
 any two + 1/2 price £1.50

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FOOD

Sundays at Wellsprings Community Church

Each week we have a different "look" of service, going somewhere a distance to encourage us to step into faith for us.

- 1st Sunday: **"Traditional Service"** with creche and Kid Connect (children's group)
- 2nd Sunday: **"All-Age Event"** set round cafe tables with art, craft, songs, stories, discussions, videos and quizzes - and followed by a brunch
- 3rd Sunday: **"Prayer and Praise"** - no talk, just a chance to sing, pray, be prayed for. With creche and Kid Connect (children's group)
- 4th Sunday: **"Traditional Service"** with creche and Kid Connect (children's group)
- 5th Sunday: a visit from one of our **"mission partners"** - friends / groups who we support financially and pray for in this country or around the world giving us an update on what they're doing to help the people of their area.



WOMEN'S HOUR

a chance to join together for fun and fellowship

2nd and 4th Thursdays of the month
 from 3.00pm to 4.00pm
 at Wellsprings Community Church, Quantock Road, Taunton, TA2 7NL

for more details ring **07896677998**



Wellsprings Community Church

(in Quantock Road, TA2 7NL)

8.30am - 10.00am

MEN'S BREAKFAST

a full English breakfast followed by a short talk by a guest speaker

Saturday 7th October 2023 Saturday 6th January 2024
 Saturday 4th November 2023 Saturday 3rd February 2024
 Saturday 2nd December 2023 Saturday 2nd March 2024

for more details contact TJ on 07896677998 or email tc@wellsprings.org.uk



Wellsprings Community Church

Baby and Toddler Group

Term-time Fridays from 10.30am to 12.00 noon
 £3 for new child + \$10 for each further child

- loads of toys and activities for children to enjoy
- art, craft and sensory activities every week
- weekly singing and story times
- drinks and snacks for grown-ups and little ones

for more info contact TJ on 07896677998 or email tc@wellsprings.org.uk
 or message through our Facebook Group

Wellsprings Community Church, Quantock Road, Taunton, TA2 7NL



TGI Friday

the youth clubs of Wellsprings Community Church

School Year 4 and 7
 games, art, craft, competitions, videos, quizzes +
 luck shop

School Year 8 and 9
 games, art, craft, competitions, videos, quizzes, luck shop +
 brand new youth café at home!

entry fee **£1**

Holidays at 7.00 - 8.15 Holidays at 8.30 - 9.30

for more information contact TJ on 0789 6677998 or email tc@wellsprings.org.uk



TGI SUNDAY

THANK GOD, IT'S SUNDAY - THE YOUTH GROUP

for anyone in school years 6, 7, 8 or 9

Sundays from 10.30am to 11.50am
 at Wellsprings Community Church
 games, competitions, quizzes, Bible stories, art, craft, and discussions, with free drinks and snacks

for more information contact TJ on 0789 6677998 or email tc@wellsprings.org.uk

free to attend

Christmas at Wellsprings Community Church

Quantock Road, TA2 7NL

Join us for an evening of Carol Singing around the Wellsprings estate



Tuesday 12th December at 6.30pm
meet at the church

 wellsprings community church

CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT



Wellsprings Community Church
Quantock Road TA2 7NL

Sunday 17th December at 6.00pm

For more details contact Tiff
revtiff@live.co.uk 07896677998 www.wellspringscommunitychurch.org.uk

Book now for Wellsprings Community Church's

Christmas Day Dinner



For more details, or to book a meal, call Tiff on 0789 6677998, e-mail revtiff@live.co.uk or send a message through our website www.wellspringscommunitychurch.org.uk

Christmas Day All-Age Service

10.30am to 11.15am

Carols, Readings, Quizzes and a Message of Hope.

at
Wellsprings Community Church
in
Quantock Road, TA2 7NL



Don't forget to bring a present to show everyone!

If you'd rather not be on your own, or if Christmas Dinner will be a struggle for your family this year, then come and join us on Christmas Day for Roast Turkey and all the trimmings, followed by a choice of desserts including Christmas Pudding. There's soft drinks, crackers and a present for everyone too.

Either join us at Wellsprings Community Church in Quantock Road (TA2 7NL) for our Christmas Day all-age celebration service at 10.30am and then stay on for the Christmas Dinner at 12.00 noon, or just come to the Church in time for the Dinner.

The time together will finish once we've watched the King's Speech on our big screen.

There's no charge for the meal, but if you are able to give a donation it would be gratefully received.

For more details, or to book a place then contact Tiff or Suzy on 07896677998 or e-mail revtiff@live.co.uk or send a message through the church website www.wellspringscommunitychurch.org.uk



Lyngford Park
SURGERY



**Your
Lyngford Park Surgery
needs new members for its
Patients' Group (PPG)**

Would you like to become involved and have a say in the way your Doctor's Surgery operates?

It will involve four meetings per year and as much additional community involvement as you wish

If you are interested in finding out more, please email:
lyngfordparkpatientgroup@gmail.com
and we would be pleased to talk to you about this opportunity



Lyngford Park Surgery serves the population of North Taunton as well as its surrounding villages. This includes the communities of Priorswood, Lyngford, Pryland and Wellsprings. The Lyngford team provide a friendly, timely service to its 6,400 patients: a task proving to be more difficult as the demand for health care increases.

There are six doctors at the Practice, practice nurses and one health care assistant. They are supported by two clinical pharmacists, a musculoskeletal practitioner along with a mental health and two young person's mental health practitioners – all on a part-time basis.

There are also eight receptionists. They are your first point of contact – primarily on the phone and then in person when you attend the Surgery. Their tasks are to coordinate and organise appointments and patient information: it's a very demanding role. The administration team's role is to make sure all referrals are made, coding done, issue patient recalls, general admin and of course, finance. The smooth running of the Lyngford Park Surgery is governed by the Practice Manager.

As a patient at Lyngford Park Surgery, you can get involved with your Surgery by becoming a member of the **Patients' Group** (PPG). The objective of this group is to make suggestions to help the development of the practice and further improve patients' experiences and services.

Some members of the current Patients' Group are due to retire in the spring so the Lyngford team would welcome new members from its patient list to volunteer for this role. It would require four meetings a year and some additional community involvement if you wish. Interested? Then contact Patient Group chair, Mr Sigurd Reimers on email: lyngfordparkpatientgroup@gmail.com

Lyngford Park Surgery, Fletcher Close, Taunton, Somerset, TA2 8SQ
Tel: **01823 333355** Email: somicb.enquiries.lyngfordpark@nhs.net

Opening Hours

Monday	8:30 am – 1:00 pm	2:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Tuesday	8:30 am – 1:00 pm	2:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Wednesday	8:30 am – 1:00 pm	2:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Thursday	8:30 am – 1:00 pm	2:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Friday	8:30 am – 1:00 pm	2:00 pm – 6:00 pm
Saturday & Sunday	Closed	
Emergency phones open: 08:00-08:30am, 13:00-14:00pm and 18.00-18:30pm		

WHAT'S ON IN NORTH TAUNTON

ACTIVITY	TIME	VENUE	CONTACT
MONDAY			
Café Connect <i>meals, snacks, drinks & cakes</i>	10.30am-1.30pm	Wellsprings Community Church	07896 677998
Karate	6.00-7.00 pm	St Andrews Church Hall	07870 936064 somerset@doryokuryo.co
Army Cadets	7.00-9.30pm	Selworthy School, Hazlebrook Campus	07528 568763
TUESDAY			
Taunton Carer's Support Group (1st Tuesday of Month)	10.00am-12.00pm	Wellsprings Community Church Café	07888 077757
Café Connect <i>meals, snacks, drinks & cakes</i>	10.30am-1.30pm	Wellsprings Community Church	07896 677998
Martial Arts	17.45-20.15pm	St Andrews Church Hall	
Small Groups for Prayer & Bible Study	7.30pm-9.30pm	Various homes	07896 677998
WEDNESDAY			
Café Connect <i>meals, snacks, drinks & cakes</i>	10.30am-1.30pm	Wellsprings Community Church	07896 677998
Fibromyalgia Support Group (3rd Wednesday of month, term time only)	11.00-1.00pm	Wellsprings Community Church	335819
Zumba Gold	2.00-3.00pm	St Andrews Hall	07833 503759 nmumby@outlook.com
Brownies (Term time only)	6.00-7.30pm	St Peters Church Hall	974482
Zumba	6.30 - 7.30pm	St Andrews Hall	01823 431587/07974670172 carrie.wallace@btinternet.com
Clubercise	7.40 - 8.40	St Andrews Hall	01823 431587/07974670172 carrie.wallace@btinternet.com

THURSDAY			
Women's Hour(2nd & 4th Thursday of the month)	3.00-4.00pm	Wellsprings Community Church	07896 677998
Power Parents	6.00-7.00pm	St Andrews Church Hall	
Army Cadets	7.00-9.30pm	Selworthy School Hazlebrook Campus	07528 568763
Guides	6.30-8.30pm	Wellsprings School	07988 872624
Craft Evening £3 (2nd Thursday of the month)	6.30-8.00pm	St Peters Church	974482
The Thin Place (prayer meeting-1st Tuesday of the Month)	7.00-8.00pm	St Peters Church	974482
Bible Study with Big D (3rd Tuesday of the month)	7.00-8.00pm	St Peters Church	974482
Singing his Praises (4th Tuesday of Month)	7.00-8.00pm	St Peters Church	974482
FRIDAY			
Toddler Group	10.30am-12.00pm	Wellsprings Community Church	07896 677998
Friday Café	2.30-4.30pm	St Peters Church Hall	974482
Karate	6.00 -8.15pm	St Andrews Church Hall	07870 936064 somerset@doryokuryo.com
TGI Friday Youth Group (School years 6-7) every Friday	7.00-8.15pm	Wellsprings Community Church	07896 677998
TGI Friday Youth Group (School years 8-9) Every Friday	8.30pm-9.30pm	Wellsprings Community Church	07896 677998
TGI Friday Youth Club	7.00-8.30pm	Wellsprings Community Church	07896 677998
SATURDAY			
Men's Breakfast (1st Saturday of the month)	8.30am-10.00am	Wellsprings Community Church	07896 677998
SUNDAY			
TGI Sunday	10.30-11.45am (Age 6-9 years)	Wellsprings Community Church	07896 677998
Kidz Connect	10.30-11.45am (1-5 years)	Wellsprings Community Church	07896 677998

Take a walk & join us on our **FREE WALKING GROUP**



Walking is man's best medicine

Join us for a short walk.
All abilities welcome
including buggies &
Dogs.

A great way to get some
exercise and meet new
friendly people

Every 3rd Wednesday of the month 11.30am-12.15pm

Meeting at Priorswood Community Centre, Taunton, TA2 7JW

For more information call 01823 353643 or email
lisa@priorswoodcommunitycentre.co.uk

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COMMUNITY | FOUNDATION



TAUNTON
TOWN
COUNCIL

WORKOUT WEDNESDAY'S **FITNESS CLASS**

5.15-6.15pm

St Andrews Church Hall
St Andrews Road
Taunton
TA2 7BW

No booking required
Small Group

Mixed Group & abilities

Qualified Instructor

£5 A

SESSION

**ALL ABILITIES
WELCOME**

ARE YOU READY
TO START A NEW
LIFE

For more information call Priorswood Community Centre on
01823 353643 or email lisa@priorswoodcommunitycentre.co.uk

<u>USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS</u>	
Priorswood Community Centre	01823 353643
Somerset Council	0300 123 2224
Police	101
Childline	0800 1111
Samaritans	116 123
Domestic Violence Help line	0800 6949999
Citizens Advice Taunton Somerset Adviceline	0808 278 7842
Hillside Children's Centre	01823 322124
Library Service	0845 3459177
Credit Union	01823 336425
Adult Social Care	0300 123 2224
Mindline Somerset	01823 276892
AGE UK	01823 345610
Childline	0800 1111
Refuge	0808 2000 247
Open Door Taunton	01823 271996

COMMUNITY CENTRE BOOKINGS

The Community Centre can be booked for meetings and clubs. Contact the Centre for further information on

01823 353643 or email lesleycouncil@priorswoodcommunitycentre.co.uk

Or check the website, www.priorswoodcommunitycentre.co.uk.

NORTH TAUNTON NEWS

If you would like to include an advertisement or article in the North Taunton News, prices are as follows:

BUSINESS ADVERTS:

£40.00 for a full page or £110.00 for 3 editions,

£25.00 half page or £70.00 for 3 editions,

£170 for 3 editions in colour on back page

We produce 1300 copies of the newsletter which are delivered in the North Taunton area. It is also available to download from our website and by email on request.

All adverts will be posted on our social media pages.

LOCAL COMMUNITY GROUPS, CHARITIES AND ORGANISATIONS

£6.00 per full page

£4.00 per half page

Deadlines for the newsletters are:

31st January, 31st May, 30th September

Email lisa@priorswoodcommunitycentre.co.uk for more information

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LUNCH CLUB

ST PETER'S CHURCH HALL
Eastwick Road, TA2 7HD

Thursdays 12.00-1.00pm
£4.50
2 courses plus tea & coffee



All bookings must be made by
Tuesday 11am

Advanced registration required as numbers are limited, please visit Priorswood Community Centre to pick up a registration form or email lesleycouncil@priorswoodcommunitycentre.co.uk or call 01823 353643 for more information

Priorswood Community Centre

DIGITAL SUPPORT

Help with the basics of computing, mobile phones, apps & websites. Learn how to use the internet, Facebook, word, photos and much more

Every Wednesday

1.30-3.30pm

£2.00 including refreshments


No booking necessary, just drop in. Bring your own laptop or tablet or we can provide one

For more information please call the community centre on 01823 353643 or email lesleycouncil@priorswoodcommunitycentre.co.uk





Priorswood Christmas Market



Tuesday 5th
December 3-6pm
Priorswood Place



CRAFT STALLS
CAROL SINGERS
TOMBOLA
RAFFLE
REFRESHMENTS
FATHER CHRISTMAS &
MUCH MORE



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