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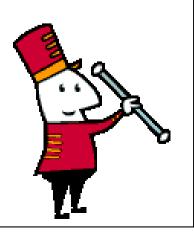
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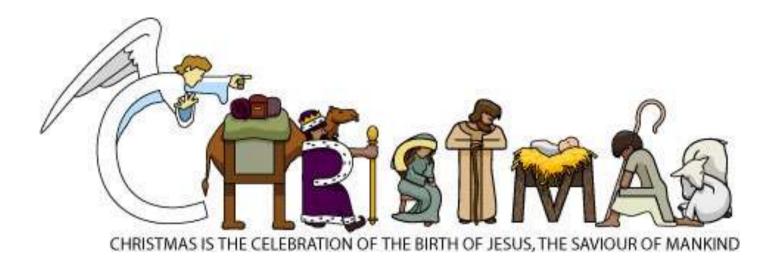


# **BAND CONCERT**

On Advent Sunday ,1<sup>st</sup> December we are delighted to welcome Ashbourne Town Band to St. Michaels for our Annual concert.

This starts at 7.00pm and there will be an interval with tea, coffee and warm mince pies to add to the cheerful atmosphere. Do put this date in your diaries , come to support our local band and hope the weather is not too seasonal!





#### **December Diary**

- Church Flowers Rota Help for Christmas
- 1 Holy Communion at Kniveton Church at 10.30am
- 1 Free concert by the Ashbourne Town Band at 7pm in Kniveton church
- 2 to 5 Get Together Club Turkey & Tinsel Visit to Scarborough
- 4 Recycling bins and bags collection
- 7 Get Together Club Christmas Meal at Marsh Farm
- 8 WI hosting Dovedale Group's annual Carol Service 2.00pm at Kniveton Church
- 15 Carol Service in Kniveton Church at 10.30am
- 15 Chapel Carol Service by candlelight at 6.30pm preacher Mr Tom Parkinson with Sister Merle
- 18 Recycling bins and bags collection
- 24 Crib Service at Hulland Church at 6.30pm
- 24 Midnight Service at Hognaston Church at 11.30pm
- 25 Holy Communion at Kniveton Church at 10.30am
- 29 United Benefice Service at Atlow Church at 10.30am

Whereas every care is taken to ensure unprejudiced and accurate reports, the Editor can accept no responsibility for unintentional errors or views of the contributors.

### January Diary

Church Flowers Rota -

2 Recycling bins and bags collection

5 Holy Communion at Kniveton Church at 10.30am

12 Chapel Covenant Preacher Service at 2.30pm – preacher Rev Tim Morris

14 Parish Council meeting in the Village Hall commencing 7.30 pm

15 Recycling bins and bags collection

15 WI Village Hall 7.30pm - Games Evening

19 All-age service at Kniveton Church at 10.30am

23 Get Together Club - Kniveton School Children Entertain in the Village Hall

26 Chapel Service 11am – preacher Miss Diana Whitmill

29 Recycling bins and bags collection

### Thank You

On behalf of my sisters, Kath and Dot and all family members, I want to thank you all for the many cards, kind words, support and love which reverberated around Saint Michael and All Angels Church on Thursday 17th October at Mum's funeral.

As the Vicar said 'there were no strangers in Beth's life- only friends'.

The large congregation in church was a tribute to the many lives Mum touched in her 92 years.

A lovely atmosphere in the Red Lion (thanks for the great buffet Bridget) and finally standing outside the Red Lion in the sunshine waving Mum goodbye. A sad but memorable day, thank you one and all.

The money received from Beth's donations have been forwarded to the following:

The Bridge Club, The Get Together Club, Careline, Age Concern, Kniveton Church and the local cancer and stroke support groups.

Thank You, Roy and Margaret

**Thank you** to all who celebrated my 60th with me at the Red Lion in October. You all made it very special. Thanks to those of you who gave me a present, but I had asked to you not to, I just wanted to spend time with my friends. We then spent 3 weeks in Malta, Gozo and Sicily with our daughters and son in law and had a great time. A special thank you to Doug for providing the music although we were all too busy talking to dance! And to Bridget and the Chef at the Red Lion for brilliant food. Mary Vaughan

Class 3 in Kniveton School have been learn about common, Proper and abstract nouns. After reading the Greek myth, Pandora's Box, we have written some abstract noun

poems. We hope you enjoy reading them.

#### <u>DEATH</u>

Death is grey like the shadows that always watch you.

Death is silent and takes its targets one by one.

**Death smells like rotten flesh which can only be smelt when he's right** behind you.

Death is as fast as an eagle swooping for a fleeing hare

By Max Stoney

#### WAR

War is like the companion to Death and is the darkest of the dark, the blackest of the black and is forced to chastise all who dare enter. War smells like the decayed bodies of soldiers and the grotesque and abhorrent blood, shriveling up and slowly fading away, like the abominable flesh on the deadly swords.

War moves extremely rapidly with terrified soldiers dashing into the grotesque trenches . You can feel the fear in the horrible trenches.

War sounds like a vile game of call of duty where there are no survivors making you shake. By James Donlan

#### <u>HOPE</u>

#### Hope is the colour of the blazing sun that shines on a hot summer's day

Hope smells like homemade cakes coming from the blistering, fiery, redhot oven

Hope moves like an angle soaring through peaceful heaven, helping people in her stride.

Hope sounds like a peaceful bird twittering in the blue, cloudless sky.

By Georgia Fry

#### WAR

War is as black as the darkest depths of the murky swamps with unknown monsters lurking about.

War is the close companion of DEATH.

War smells like rotting flesh covering the black, muddy floor.

War moves like a wounded marine limping to the home base, desperate for help.

War sounds like a twelve bore shotgun shooting a ravenous wolf searching for its prey.

By Charles Tallis

#### <u>HOPE</u>

#### Hope is like the bursting sun on a glorious summer's day.

Hope is like cookies that have been freshly baked.

Hope flares like a bird of prey, twisting and turning through the sky. Hope sounds like a beautiful angel singing songs softly and strumming a harp.

By Lucie Crellin

#### <u>WAR</u>

War is the colour of the flames in HELL, bursting all around, the red blood dripping from corpses on the empty battlefield.

War smells like dead bodies scattered everywhere, the suffering of

others, dying very slowly and like an eagle tearing parts out of someone's body.

War sounds like a machine gun being fired, bombs ticking and grenades exploding, war soldiers pleading for help.

War moves bit by bit getting ready to pounce, taking down many men, gradually creeping around the war field.

By Morgan Nicholls



## THE RED LION @ KNIVETON SEVEN COURSE CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH @ 2.30pm

Soup: Lightly spiced butternut squash soup.

- <u>Starter:</u> Pan fried corned beef hash cake (made from homemade corned beef) with beetroot salad.
- Fish: Baked salmon, braised leeks with lemon & dill veloute
- Intermediate: Lemon sorbet.

Main course: Roast turkey, with all the trimmings

or

Sirloin of beef with Yorkshire pudding

**Dessert:** Christmas pudding with brandy sauce

or

Dark chocolate & stem ginger mousse, topped with chopped walnuts

<u>To finish:</u> Coffee & after dinner nibbles (to include, cheese, mini mince pies & after dinner mints.)

£60 per head £30 children (11years & under) Pre-booking only. £20 deposit required to secure booking.

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To find out more information about fostering visit www.derbyshire.gov.uk/ adoptionandfostering Alternatively you can Call Derbyshire on 0800 083 77 44. Ian Thomas Strategic Director for Children and Younger Adults



### **Rectors Ramblings**

Well... we've arrived and are settled into the Rectory in Hulland Ward after having moved all the way from Brailsford! I'm Rev Phil Michell and have recently taken up the role of Rector for the group of 5 parishes of which Kniveton is one.

I'm married to Rachel and we have two daughters: Rosie (10) and Ellie (7) who both attend Hulland Ward Cof E Primary School. At the time of writing I have only been in this role for 6 weeks and am trying hard to remember all the new names and faces. The names I can remember, it's just matching them up to the correct faces that is the problem!

I have already met several people from Kniveton at recent funerals, a baptism and at school, and I'm looking forward to meeting more people at church events, village events – or even in the pub. If you would like me to visit or you want to make contact, my tel no. is 01335 371947.

As you know, Christmas is coming and our carol service is on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 10.30am. If you are able to come – it would be great to see you.

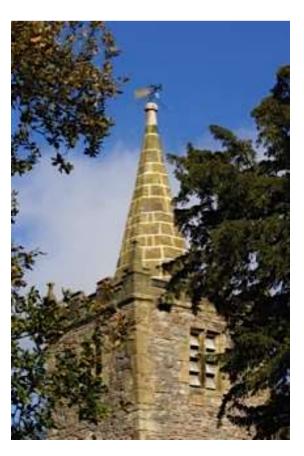
God bless. Rev Phil Michell.

(The Rector's contact details have been added to the contacts list on page 17. Mary the Ed.)



### **Spire Update**

You may have noticed that the spire has now been repaired and the weather vane is once more turning. This was made possible by 2 very generous donations, 1 from the brother of one of our congregation and the other from the Churches Preservation Trust, who organize the annual bike and hike. We would like to say a big thank you to both parties and to everyone who was involved in the project.





### *The Get Together Club Programme for 2014*

23<sup>rd</sup> January- Village Hall – Kniveton School Children Entertain

13<sup>th</sup> February—Mystery Tour and Lunch at Alison House

6th March—Village Hall – Ian Wakefield

17th April- Village Hall – Air Ambulance

8th May- A day out in Llangollen

29th May- Village Hall – Melanie

26th June- Lytham St. Anne's

24th July- Village Hall - Clare's Beads

14th August—Village Hall – Harvey Murray-Smith

25th August to 29th August- Holiday - Nidd Hall

18th September- Quarry Bank Mill, Manchester (9am)

30th October- Village Hall – Mike Severn

21st November- Afternoon Tea at Northern Tea Merchants (1pm)

6<sup>th</sup> December- Christmas Meal

For details contact: Liz – 01335-346078

<u>Meetings to be held at</u> <u>Chatsworth Court, Ashbourne</u> <u>2pm</u>

30th January- Hanson Auctioneers

20th March– Nigel Brown

15<sup>th</sup> May- Kate Wakefield

11th September- Sue Underwood



PROGRAMME 2014 Meetings are held in Kniveton Village Hall at 7.30pm on the third Wednesday in the month. **New members and visitors always welcome.** 

> Annual Subscription £34.70 August meeting decided later. November 19<sup>th</sup> A.G.M and Social. Birthday meal venue and date to be decided.

- JANUARY 15- Event:- Games evening
- FEBRUARY 19 Speaker- Chris Sellors The jewelry trade
- MARCH 19- Speaker: Gerald Price The Woodland Trust
- APRIL 16 Speaker: Jan's Soaps
- MAY 21 Outing:- Notty Hornblower's costume museum Leaving Kniveton 6.30pm
- JUNE 18- Event: Garden Party at Green Cottage
- JULY 16 Event: Guess the object!
- SEPTEMBER 17 Speaker: Life of a Farrier
- OCTOBER 15 Speaker: The Glass Barn at Tissington

The Kniveton WI Committee has been busy arranging next years calendar .... It all looks interesting. The group has enjoyed many different speakers and demonstrations including Reflexology, Fashion shows, walks out at our local meetings held every third Wednesday in the month at Kniveton Village Hall.

In addition to our local meetings many members have taken up the opportunity to join other WI's in Derbyshire to take part in lots of other activities. The WI is all about helping you do what you want to do!! We wish you all a very Happy Christmas and all good wishes for the New Year!



## Elli, Tom and all the staff at The Ketch would like to wish everyone a Happy Christmas! We will be open Christmas Day 12.00-2.00 for drinks and nibbles, everyone welcome.

The Ketch Christmas Menu 1st-30th December 2013 (Pre Bookings only) 2 courses: £18.95 per person- 3 courses: £22.95 per person

#### Starters:

(v) Spiced Parsnip Soup served with warm crusty bread

Duck Liver Pate served with red onion chutney and warm crusty bread

King Prawn Cocktail served on a bed of lettuce topped with a Marie Rose sauce and warm crusty bread

(v) Brie & Cranberry Fondue served with warm crusty bread

#### Mains:

Roast Turkey served with cranberry & chestnut stuffing, honey roast parsnips, roast and mashed potatoes, gravy and fresh vegetables

Beef Wellington, prime Derbyshire fillet steak, duck liver pate & mushrooms encased in pastry served with a rich port jus, creamy mashed potato & fresh vegetables

Fillet of Sea Bass grilled in a white wine, lemon & caper butter, served with crushed new potatoes & fresh vegetables

(v) Spinach Ravioli, in a creamy wild mushroom sauce, served with garlic bruschetta

#### D Desserts:

White Chocolate & Ginger Cheesecake served with cream

Traditional Christmas Pudding served with Brandy & Vanilla cream

Spiced Sticky Toffee Pudding served with vanilla bean ice cream

Fresh Strawberry & Meringue Sundae

Cheese & Biscuits; a selection of cheeses served with biscuits and chutneys

#### To finish:

Homemade mince pies and tea or coffee



### **CHURCH FLOWER ROTA 2014**

Feb: Mrs Holman and Mrs Heras March: Mrs Hall and Mrs Charlesworth April: Mrs Marriott and Mrs S Clarke May: Mrs Fox and Mrs Methuen June: Mrs Rose and Mrs Hardy-Newman July: Mrs M Lomas and Mrs Thorne Aug: Mrs Taylor Grout and Mrs Rigby Sept: Mrs Stafford and Mrs Armstrong Oct: Mrs F Brown and Mrs Broughton Nov: Mrs James and Mrs Hulland Dec: Christmas Helpers! Jan 2015: Mrs Bradbury and Mrs Goldstraw

#### **KNIVETON PARISH COUNCIL**

At a meeting of Kniveton Parish Council on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> November 2013, the following items were discussed:-

**Flooding at the Hillocks** – Cllr Bradbury again reminded the meeting that despite work having been completed, nonetheless, a drainage grid is still prone to holding silt – continue to monitor.

*Newhouse Farm* – DDDC Officer visiting monthly and schedule of reduction in place.

*Snow Clearing 2013/14* – Cllr Bradbury attended DCC Information meeting and reported back to the Parish Council. Councillors will ensure bins are filled with the approach of winter and the Clerk will contact Mr Hammersley to ensure that where possible, local roads will be kept open.

*Highways* – Reported that water was collecting on the 5035 near the Ketch.

**Footpaths** – Clerk informed meeting that the DCC Miner Maintenance grant has been increased to £495. Programme of work for Spring 2014 to be discussed at next meeting.

*Standing Orders* – Revised Model Standing Orders to be discussed at the next meeting.

Finance – Early information received re Parish Precept 2014/15.

#### Planning

<u>13/00572/FUL</u> – erection of 2 agricultural storage sheds and formation of raised deck area for Mr A Staniforth at Croft Dene. Granted with conditions.

<u>13/00710/FUL</u> – erection of wind turbine, 75 metres to hub and 100 metres to blade tip with associated construction of access track and substation for Mr J Archer at Bradley Pasture – noted that **this development is not in Kniveton Parish**.

*Comments, Observations, items for next meeting* - Cllr Ratcliffe outlined her work looking into measures for reducing vehicle speeding through villages within the Carsington Cluster.

#### Date and time of next meeting(s)

<u>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January-</u> commencing 7.30 pm

<u>Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> March</u> commencing 7.30 pm and preceded by Joint Playing Field Committee Meeting at 7.15 pm.



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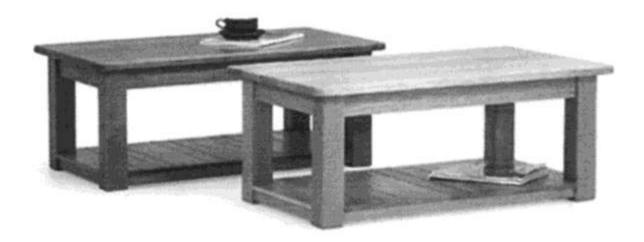
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**GAMBIAN UPDATE** In early November a teaching colleague and I left for another exciting trip to Gambia. Our first visit was to our partner school, Janet International where we gave out all the letters and presents our children had sent. The Gambian pupils were so excited and happy to receive news from their friends in England. We spent three mornings talking to the children and teachers, swopping news and information. On our last day the Gambian children brought many letters and presents for the children in Kniveton School.



Our next adventure was with our friend, Samba, a local MP. We

travelled several hours into Africa to the Donkey Sanctuary. There we met old friends and were able to purchase a second donkey for another village. We also presented the Sanctuary with the money our children had raised by holding a school disco .this will be used to assist the Donkey Sanctuary in their work.

We then drove to the village where our first donkey, Jarang Rose, lives. The villagers gave us a great welcome and we all danced to visit Rose. She was grazing in the fields and she looked very well and happy. The villagers have built her a little house and were delighted to tell us she is pregnant and expecting her foal ion early March.

We then drove to the village where our second donkey will live. The villagers were over the moon to hear they would receive the gift of a donkey .She will arrive in three months time when she (and her handler) have finished 'Donkey School!'

So, altogether, it was a very exciting and rewarding visit to Gambia yet again.

A photographic display of our adventures will be on display in school. Ann Poole

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# **Congratulations to Ben Hand**

-ex pupil of Kniveton School, who achieved a First a Class degree in Accounting and Finance at the University of Leeds in July 2013.

Ben undertook a placement year at KPMG in Reading as part of his degree course and has now commenced permanent employment with them as a Trainee accountant.

After finishing his degree Ben travelled with his sister Kelly to South America, whereupon they spent two months back packing across Peru, Bolivia and Brazil. Ben and Kelly climbed Machu Picchu, went on a trip into the Amazon jungle piranha fishing, travelled to Argentina for a day to see Iguazu falls, visited the Salt Flats in Bolivia, the Statue of Christ, Sugar loaf mountain and Copacabana beach in Rio de Janeiro to name but a few places.

Unfortunately, due to travelling Ben missed his graduation ceremony in Leeds and this has been deferred until December.

Well done to Ben on his excellent degree result and good luck from all his family with his new job.



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# The closing date for items for the next edition of Kniveton News is 20th January 2014.

Please send items via e-mail to willowbank@kniveton.net or by post or by hand to Mary Vaughan, Willowbank, Kniveton DE6 1JJ. Please write out exactly what you would like to go in, please do not expect me to write the for you.

No articles by telephone please.

### **CHAPEL NEWS**

We report that our Harvest Festival was as enjoyable as it usually is, with two excellent services, led by Miss Diana Whitmill and Rev. Mark Broadhurst. In the evening children from the local school sang 2 harvest songs for us. Those of you who attended the auction of goods, held on the following day, will remember that it was an evening filled with laughter, teasing and banter. Thanks to the generosity of those attending the auction, and not least David Bott's supreme skill at squeezing blood from stones, the sum of £535 was raised, which will be distributed to a number of local, national and international 'good causes'. Anyone looking for bargains went away disappointed! David's motto is 'never knowingly undersold'! This is always a real village occasion, attended by many of our local friends. Thanks to all concerned.

It was with sadness that we said farewell to our neighbour, Mrs Beth Hunt. Although not a member she regularly attended our morning services. She was a contemporary of Sister Merle's, and their friendship went back a long way, I think to their teenage years. She was much loved, and always had a ready smile. We will miss her.

Our Christmas candlelight service will take place on Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30 pm, and will be led by Mr Tom Parkinson, assisted by Sister Merle. Children from the school will again be taking part. Our services in January are as follows: 12<sup>th</sup> January at 2.30, led by Rev. Tim Morris. This is our annual Covenant Service, peculiar to Methodists, when we have a chance to renew out commitment to the service of God. On 26<sup>th</sup> January at 11 am the preacher will be Miss Diana Whitmill. We hope to see you at one or more of these services. The Chapel Stewards

#### **National Methodist Youth Brass Band**

This amazing group of young (and some not quite so young!) people stayed in Ashbourne over the weekend of 15<sup>th</sup>-17<sup>th</sup> November and gave us a hugely enjoyable concert on the 16<sup>th</sup> November to an almost full Methodist church. During the afternoon they played carols around the Market Place Christmas tree on the occasion of the switching on of the town Christmas lights, to the obvious delight of the shoppers. Fortunately it didn't rain! The players come from all over the country, some travelling quite long distances – one lives in Durham, for instance, some on the south coast, and one in Wales – and all places in between! On Sunday morning the band took over the morning service and it was a most memorable and moving occasion. They stayed in Gateway, the residential centre at

Ashbourne Methodist Church, and were surprised and delighted at the facilities – usually they sleep on hall floors, so were very comfortable in proper beds – as well as showers, wifi, and two television sets! It was a far cry from their usual accommodation.

The concert was in aid of funds for Action for Children, and when the bills have been totted up we hope to be able to make a substantial donation to this charity. Thank you to those of you who supported this venture. Betty Hadley





Derbyshire police are asking people to take extra safety steps to protect their personal files from computer fraudsters. The National Fraud Intelligence Bureau has recently received a number of reports relating to malicious software known as CryptoLocker. The ransom-ware virus is mainly spread through emails attachments and can take over personal files such as images and documents.

After the malware scam has been downloaded onto a computer a popup page will launch asking for a payment to remove the software.

Detective Constable Julie Wheeldon from the East Midlands Fraud and Financial Investigation Unit said: "Malicious software, such as CryptoLocker, can be destructive but thankfully there are simple steps that you can take to prevent yourself from becoming a victim.

"Installing security software on your computer and ensuring that you discard any emails from unknown address without opening them are just some of the ways that you can prevent yourself against this type of fraud".

Simple and effective steps can be put in place to further project yourself from fraud. Advice includes:

- Install anti-virus and firewall software for your computer and set these to update automatically.
- Do not open email attachments from unknown sources, especially if it is something that you are not expecting.
- Set your web browser to the highest level of security to prevent against malware and computer crime.

Try to make regular backups of your files and store them safely.

#### Police are becoming increasingly concerned for the safety of Chief Inspector Tim Frohwein who has been missing from his home in Buxton since Sunday November 17.

Tim is believed to have left his home sometime after 1.20pm and someone he knows saw him walking along the Old Roman Road out of the town at about 1.30pm. Assistant Chief Constable Dee Collins said: "We know at that time there were several off-road bikers and about 20 ramblers in the area and we are sure they will have seen Tim as he walked into the countryside. "We have no idea which route he took so it is vital that we talk to people who saw him.

"This is completely out-of-character for Tim and as the weather has been so cold recently we are very worried about his welfare." Tim is 6ft 3ins tall and has dark hair and glasses. He was wearing a ¾ length dark coat, pale blue shirt and brown jeans. He was probably carrying a walking pole. Extensive searches by police and Mountain Rescue volunteers have been conducted since his disappearance. Those searches are continuing. **Anyone who can help the police investigation should contact officers on 101.** 



# The Get Together Club

Thank you to Derbyshire Dales CVS Health Development Fund for their kind donation to our funds.

We were out and about for our September meeting, Clumber Park for lunch and then Mr Straw's House in Worksop. Mr Straws House has not been touched for years, all the old furniture, utensils in the kitchen and most interestingly the old packets and tins of food. The sun shone so we could also enjoy the old fashioned cottage garden. A real treat if you are in the area.

Jenny Taylor was our speaker at the October 31<sup>st</sup> meeting. She told us how the Ashbourne Shire Horse Society who run Ashbourne Show was founded and how the Shire horse evolved. I don't think most people at the meeting realised the number of shires bred in the Derbyshire area and we were thrilled to hear that the UK champion for this year was bred and shown by a local farmer from Marston Montgomery.

A very warm welcome was given to those who accepted the kind invitation by Mr C W Sellors to the Christmas Wishes event at Chatsworth. Although the weather wasn't very good the sparkle of the jewellery and the watch showcase made up for it. Some of us were lucky enough to purchase early Christmas presents for ourselves. Thank you to Mr Sellors and Charlie for a magical afternoon.

On 28<sup>th</sup> November we called at The Mackworth Hotel for lunch and then went on to Denby pottery. Some of us purchased glassware and of course Denby pottery itself. Most importantly we purchased six Denby plates in memory of Mrs Beth Hunt. We were all very sad to lose Mrs Hunt and when her family made a donation to the club we felt it only right to purchase something that would remind us of her at all our meetings.

Our next outing is to Sudbury Prison for Christmas lunch.

If you would like to come along to any of our meetings where you will be made most welcome or, have a copy of the programme please contact Liz (346078).

#### THE GOVERNING BODY OF KNIVETON PRIMARY SCHOOL.

There is a vacancy for a Community Governor at Kniveton School. The term of office for this position is four years and the governors meet approximately six times per year in the evenings.

If you are interested in being a governor, please notify Susan Clarke, the Clerk to Governors via the school.