



Broom Cottages awarded the Young Carers Charter



Mr Stuart Trotter, a renowned children's book illustrator and an ex-pupil of Broom Cottages Primary School, presents the Charter to pupils.

Broom Cottages Primary School recently celebrated being awarded with the Young Carers Charter. The school has been working with Family Action, The Bridge Young Carers project, which works with schools across County Durham

encouraging them to raise awareness and improve support for young carers. Glenys Newby, education coordinator for the group, said, "As many as 700,000 children nationally have caring roles supporting parents or siblings with

disabilities, mental health issues or alcohol or substance misuse. Many provide more than 20 hours of care per week with some caring for more than 50 hours a week."

She said about the Young Carers Charter, "It's not just a piece of paper, the charter is a means by which school leaders can learn to support young carers in their school through a series of simple, inexpensive actions." She said, "In short, the Young Carers Charter provides a means by which we raise awareness of young carers issues to pupils, teachers and parents and which helps create a safe and secure environment for young carers and their families, so everyone gets the support they require and deserve."

To celebrate their achievement, the Charter was presented by Mr Stuart Trotter, a renowned children's book illustrator. Stuart, who is an ex pupil at the school, talked to the children about his career and the books he has illustrated including, Rupert Bear, Kipper, Postman Pat, Wallace and Gromit and Winnie the Pooh.

Autumn Fair

An autumn fair will be held at the Dean Bank Community Centre on Friday 24th October, from 10am to 1pm. Nearly new clothes, brick-a-brack, jewellery, bags, hand-made jams, cakes, pies, Christmas goods and hand-made cards will be on sale. There will also be a Tombola, raffle and tin

food stall.

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On-going campaign targets criminal damage

The people of County Durham and Darlington are being urged to help protect their communities from criminals as the nights begin to draw in. Superintendent Kerrin Smith, of the force's Neighbourhood Command said, "Since the launch of the Respect Your Street campaign back in April this year we have seen a significant reduction in instances of criminal damage and also a greater increase in those responsible being caught and dealt with by Durham Constabulary. This is all fantastic news and shows how we can achieve great things with the help of the public.

"Traditionally, however, the next two months are usually higher than the rest of the year with the amount of damage being reported to the police increasing. A combination of darker nights - when it isn't too cold yet and people stay indoors - Halloween and Bonfire Night events, leads to more criminality and anti-social behaviour. "We are asking for residents to continue being supportive to the force's Respect Your Street campaign by reporting activity which has the potential to result in criminal damage." The police have also had reports that fireworks are being sold illegally through

a number of outlets and want to reassure the public that enforcement work with other partners such as the council, fire service and trading standards is ongoing to tackle this. Superintendent Smith added, "Those who sell such fireworks are irresponsible and may put your child at risk. "We want to ensure this type of offence is tackled properly before any of our children are seriously hurt. If you have any inkling of this going on please contact police on the non-emergency number 101 and we will do the rest to address the problem."

Thieving spree to fund trip to Australia to see girlfriend

During May and June Daniel Fawell, of Beckwith Close, Kirk Merrington, stole £13,000 to help fund a trip to Australia to see his girlfriend, Durham Crown Court heard recently. Penny Bottomley, prosecuting, said he posed as a buyer of a £2,200 Apple Mac laptop computer and arranged to meet the female seller in a pub car park in Kirk Merrington on 13th May. He grabbed the device off the front seat of the car and fled, but left his fingerprints behind. Fawell told police he had sold the computer and it was never recovered. Miss Bottomley continued

stating that he next stole a £6,500 diamond ring from Bramwell's Jewellers in Durham City on 29th May. He had asked the sales assistant for a closer look before he ran off with it. The ring was later traced after he attempted to sell it at a pawnbrokers, where he used his own details. The ring was later recovered from his bedroom. Finally he made off with a watch worth £4,300 from a seller's car after agreeing to meet in Newton Aycliffe on 2nd June. The watch was sold to a pawnbroker for £400 but was later recovered. When interviewed by

police Fawell said he was in financial difficulties. Stephen Andrews, mitigating, said he has written letters of apology to his victims. "He travelled to Australia, fell in love, but had visa problems and returned to the UK, yet was desperate to return." Judge Robert Adams stated that due to his previous good record, and because he was working to relieve his debts, he could suspend the imposed four-month prison sentence. Fawell was ordered to undertake 150 hours of unpaid work and pay £2,200 worth of compensation.

Poppy Art & Photography Exhibition



The Mayor of Ferryhill, Councillor Pauline Crathorne, presented Ella-May Connolly, Jessica Burtenshaw, Mrs Gillian Barnes and Mr Eddie Serrell their certificates.

The Ferryhill Poppy Art & Photography Exhibition to commemorate the Centenary of the start of the 1st World War, proved to be a popular and well attended event. The Exhibits were displayed in the Annual Art & Photograph Exhibition held in the Town Hall from 4th to the 17th August, and then at the Time Bandit event held at Broom Cottages Primary School on 26th & 27th September, where they were judged.

The presentation to the winners of the competition took place on Thursday 9th October with each winner receiving a certificate and voucher:
Under 12s Art - Dean Bank Primary School
Winner: Ella-May Connolly
Runner up: Kasey Newton
Under 12s Art - Broom Cottages Primary School
Winner: Jessica Burtenshaw
Runner Up: Samuel Barber
Winner Over 18s Art

Mrs Gillian Barnes **Winner Over 18s Photography** Mr Eddie Serrell. The Mayor of Ferryhill, Councillor Pauline Crathorne, presented the winners with their gift vouchers and certificates and said, "The Poppy Art & Photography Exhibition proved to be a popular and successful event and has once again shown what a tremendous amount of talented people we have in Ferryhill".

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Essential works at Ferryhill Town Hall

Ferryhill Town Hall roof is being replaced from week commencing 13th October 2014.

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Cash boost for clubs

Clubs and community projects across Bishop Middleham, Chilton, Ferryhill and Cornforth have received a £15,000 cash boost.

The money from the 4Together Area Action Partnership (AAP) has given a helping hand to everything from breakfast and youth clubs to storytelling sessions for Dads and improving allotment security.

The funding, with grants ranging from £200 to £1000 from the £15,000 available, has been given to schemes providing activities for children, young people or the elderly, or support for job training. They include setting up a storytelling course for Dads in Ferryhill and Cornforth, providing new gates for allotments in Ferryhill, getting iPads for the breakfast and teatime

club at West Cornforth Primary School and refurbishing Chilton Youth Club.

Lee Copeland, principal 4Together AAP coordinator, said: "It is great we have been able to help fund so many local groups who are all doing such excellent work to support the community."

See below for a full breakdown of projects and the grants they have received.

Applicant	Project Title	Grant
Bishop Middleham Village Hall	Birthday Treats for Bishop Middleham	£1000
Bowburn Athletic Football Club	Club Development	£890
Children North East	Dadanory, story telling course for Dads	£966
Chilton Community College	Junior Club Wages	£1000
Chilton Youth Club	Chilton Youth Club Confidential Room	£800
Dean Bank and Ferryhill Literary Institute	IT Update	£503.96
Endeavour Woodcrafts	Small Goods Woodworking Project	£1000
Enter CIC	Ferryhill World War Project	£1000
Feel Good Factory N.E. CIC	Feeling good in Ferryhill, a positive thinking course	£1000
Ferryhill E-café	World War I Booklet Project	£804
Ferryhill Town Band	Workshop and Concert with Ferryhill Town Band and Friends	£550
Friends of Chilton Miners' Recreation Park	Miners' Welfare Park Renovation	£1000
Friendship With Art	Friendship With Art	£792
Mainsforth Row Garden Society	Gates Project, to provide and fix new gates to both access points	£1000
Parish of Cornforth & Ferryhill	Parish of Cornforth & Ferryhill World War I Project	£1000
The Cornforth Partnership	Games Night	£840.97
U CRE8 Community Arts	Panorama, workshops and show using Caribbean steel pans	£450
West Cornforth Primary School	Breakfast and Teatime Club, to purchase 4 iPads	£403.07 (part grant request)
		Total Grants £15,000

Letters

Have your say...

Dear Editor,

On Wednesday 1st October the PACT meeting took place in Ferryhill Town Hall. This is a regular monthly meeting where residents and police come and discuss issues which give cause for concern.

The problem of speeding within Ferryhill and the surrounding area is mentioned on numerous occasions and it seems that some residents do not seem to be aware of the Highway Code, which clearly states that, "A built up area is a settled area, with street lights, in which the speed limit is automatically 30mph unless otherwise stated".

All roads into Ferryhill clearly state 30 mph, yet drivers still continue to put pedestrians, especially school children, and other road users at risk by going over this speed.

Some PACT members, along with the police, have carried out 'Speed Watch' and witnessed for themselves drivers exceeding the stated speed limit.

Please can all motorists be aware and adhere to the 30mph limit in all built up areas. Thank you, in the hope that we can make our roads safer for all!

Ferryhill PACT group

Car boot & gift fair

Local dance group New Dance Generation are fundraising in order for a team of dancers to compete in the UK street dance championships in Kent later this year.

To help raise more funds, Hannah Wilkinson (owner and dance teacher) is organising a 'car boot' sale and gift fair.

The event will take place at Ferryhill Hub on Sunday 19th October.

Sellers should arrive at 9.30am in the main hall. It is £5 per stand. Buyers are then welcome from 10am til 12 noon for an entry fee of 50p.

There will be lots of quality second hand goods available, as well as many gift and craft stalls, ideal for Christmas.

Cakes, sweets and refreshments will be served and there will also be a bouncy castle for the children.

Coffee morning

Ferryhill Methodist Church is holding a special coffee morning on Friday 31st October, from 9.30am to 11.30am.

As well as coffee, there will be a variety of stalls including home-made cakes, tombola, bric-a-brac and games.

Park opening times

Due to vandalism, the opening times at Dean Bank Park will change. Gates will be opened at

8am and locked at 3.30pm, 7 days a week commencing Monday 20th October 2014 until further notice.

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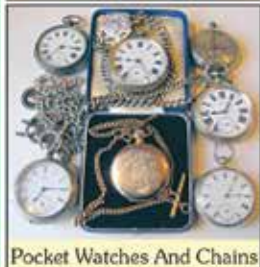
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'Bad blood'

Darren Croft, of Cedar Crescent, Murton, will appear at Durham Crown Court on 22nd May after the District Judge deemed his case unsuitable for trial at Newton Aycliffe Magistrates' Court.

The 28 year-old faced a charge of possession of an offensive weapon in Byron Road, Chilton, on 4th September.

The defendant also faces further charges of criminal damage and of common assault. The court heard that

at around 9.15am on the morning of 4th September, the victim was carrying out his business collecting scrap from a house in Byron Road when Croft pulled up in his vehicle.

Croft approached Carver carrying an axe, which he then used to smash the rear lights on the Ford Transit Van.

There was "bad blood" between the two men according to the defendant's solicitor.

Croft was released on unconditional bail.

Hand made poppies

The Co-operative Funeralcare are once again selling hand made poppies of Remembrance at each of the local branch offices in support of the Royal British Legion. Last year they raised £335 for the RBL and would like to thank everyone who con-

tributed to that wonderful amount.

The poppies have been kindly made by members of the community and are available for a donation at the Ferryhill branch in Parker Terrace. For more information call 01740 651329.

Dean Bank Institute

The Dean Bank Ferryhill Literary Institute is running a Food Hygiene Level 2 course on Friday 7th November, from 9am to 4pm.

Two new groups are also

now available in the Centre; a Yoga class and a Visually Impaired social evening.

For more information on any of the above, 01740 657221 or e-mail: dbfinstitute@googlegmail.com.

Steve prepares for his biggest challenge yet!



Ferryhill actor, Steve Hill prepares for his role in the musical comedy 'A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum,' which is being staged at the Durham GALA Theatre from 29th October to 1st November.

Ferryhill actor Steve Hill is preparing for his biggest theatrical challenge yet when he takes to the stage of Durham's GALA Theatre at the end of October in Durham Musical Theatre Company's production of the hilarious musical comedy, "A Funny Thing Happened on the Way to the Forum".

In the show, Steve plays the part of Lycus - a buyer and seller of the flesh of beautiful women.

Steve said, "It's a tough life, but someone has to do it!"

To help him get into character Steve met up with the 5 girls playing his courtesans at the Arbeia Roman Fort reconstruction in South Shields. They are: Nina Walsh - Vibrata, Jennifer Kirby - Erotica, Rebecca Fishwick - Gymnasia, Emma Barthel - Boobiana & Louise Masters - Tinabula. Steve added,

"Their names give a clue to their specialities!"

"A Funny Thing happened on the Way to the Forum" plays at the GALA Theatre, Durham, from Wednesday 29th October to Saturday 1st November with evening performances at 7.15pm and a Saturday matinee at 2.15pm.

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Pupils create a welcoming display

Mosaic Artist Sue Kershaw recently worked with all Key Stage 2 pupils from Broom Cottages Primary School in Ferryhill to create a mosaic that will be displayed on the front wall of the school. It will welcome pupils, staff and visitors alike.

All pupils in Year 5 and Year 6 were invited to design a mosaic and three winnings designs, drawn by Megan Wayman, Libby Batty and Maya Askwith, were chosen. Sue took each of the designs and merged them to produce a portrait of a boy and girl surrounded by different aspects of the school grounds and the wildlife seen there in the summer. Each Key Stage 2 pupil placed tiles in the mosaic, which took a week to complete. The finished product was shown to all pupils in the school.

Sue said, "It has been a pleasure to work with the children. I was particularly impressed by the creative imagination expressed in interpreting the mosaics I displayed. Well done to all the children for their



Mosaic Artist Sue Kershaw and students from the school display the finished mosaic.

wonderful attitude and a special well done to those children whose drawings were chosen."

"Everyone agreed that the

week long project inspired the pupils and has provided a talking point for all," said a spokesperson from the school.

Charity provides a fresh start

Jane Silliker, 42, from Ferryhill was trapped in a damaging downward spiral of depression, drugs, alcohol and debt but a local charity has helped turn her life around. Jane said, "I felt worthless and useless and felt I could never do anything right. I started to lose everything I held dear in my heart. I tried desperately to get out but on my own it all seemed impossible." Ms Stilliker contacted Lifeline Community Action

based in Newton Aycliffe and she claims it was the best decision she ever made.

The charity not only provided food and household packs but offered the help and long-term support she needed. Ms Stilliker has now turned her life around and is volunteering for the charity three days a week. She urges others not to suffer in silence. Anyone who needs help can call 07936431262.

Sister-in-law assault

Daavidaa Antonio Fairhurst, of Dean Bank, Ferryhill, punched his sister-in-law in the face twice following a drunken row. On Friday 10th October Newton Aycliffe Magistrates Court heard that Fairhurst left the victim with swelling to the cheek and left temple following the assault, which took place in Newton Aycliffe on Thursday 25th September.

Claire Irving, prosecuting said that the 31-year-old's wife and her sister had been at a party, while the defendant was on a separate night out with

friends. She said, "When the defendant got home he locked the door, which meant his wife and sister couldn't gain access. They had no choice but to bang on the door but the defendant had fallen asleep. "He eventually woke up when the family dog got out of the house. This caused a dispute between the victim and defendant which became physical." Fairhurst received a 12 month conditional discharge and was ordered to pay £50 in compensation, prosecution costs of £85 and a £15 victim surcharge.

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Sport

Local leagues, competitions and events...

Ferryhill Indoor Bowls Club

Ferryhill I.B.C winter season got underway in early September and, currently, the club run eight leagues featuring over 60's men's triples, fours, ladies triples, mixed triples and men's pairs. In total just over 100 bowlers are involved. Colin Larcombe, secretary says, the club has attracted a few more members this year but there is still room for more. Anyone interested in taking up the game (which is not only a sport but a great way of taking in gentle exercise) is more than welcome and should contact Colin on 01740 651010. The over 60's men's team that did so well last year in the county league started their season with a home fixture against

last year's winners The Parks from North Shields. The corresponding fixture last year ended in a 5-0 victory for Ferryhill. Sadly things didn't work out the same this time round, the home team scoring only one point from Colin Larcombe's rink. In the second game Ferryhill travelled to Gateshead and again were optimistic of a repeat of last year when the side won 4-1. Once again fortunes were reversed this time. The home side won 5-0 but two of Ferryhill's rinks came close losing out by only two shots. Not a very good start from Ferryhill but with plenty of games to come there is time to improve. A better start was made in the newly formed Durham & District Inter

Club Triples League where Ferryhill defeated visiting side Great Aycliffe 8-0. This promises to be a very interesting league featuring three rinks of three bowlers per team and involving clubs from Durham, Spennymoor, Gt Aycliffe and Park View (Chester-le-Street). Spennymoor Sports have kindly offered to donate a trophy for the winning club.

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17 October 1968

Two black American athletes made history at the Mexico Olympics by staging a silent protest against racial discrimination.

18 October 1963

Lord Home, a Scottish Earl won one of the most bitterly-fought leadership contests in the history of the Conservative Party to become Britain's next Prime Minister.

19 October 1987

The world's stock market collapsed after shares on Wall Street suffered a wave of panic selling.

20 October 1967

Thousands joined the biggest demonstration against American involvement in the Vietnam War in the town of Oakland, in California.

21 October 1966

More than 130 people, mainly children, were buried by a coal slag heap at Aberfan, near Merthyr Tydfil in Wales.

22 October 1974

A bomb exploded in Brooks Club, London, injuring three members of staff.

A credit to Sunday football

Ferryhill Celtic played in the Durham League Cup at the weekend against Chilton Workmen's Club in what turned out to be a great game.

The Celtic started the game well with Jonny Agar shooting just wide of the net after only a couple of minutes. The next 20 minutes of the game went from end to end, both teams creating chances, but it was Chilton who took the lead when a corner kick was filtered in and the Chilton midfielder rose highest to score with his head, 1-0. This seemed to kick the Celtic into life and only 10 minutes later they were level when man-of-the-match Jason White latched onto a Luke Thompson flick and he kept his cool to slot the ball past the keeper, 1-1.

The Celtic were now on top. Ben Clarey fired just over the bar from long range and only a last ditch tackle prevented Jason White from scoring his second. With only minutes to half time the Celtic thought they had taken the lead when Jonny Agar slotted the ball past the

advancing keeper, but to everyone's surprise the goal was ruled off-side by the referee, meaning the game remained 1-1 at half time.

The second half again was an incredibly tight affair, with both sides playing attractive football, but it was Chilton who once again went in front when a shot from the edge off the box took a cruel deflection of the Celtic centre back with the ball looping over the Celtic keeper Kris Carr's head and went in of the crossbar. Chilton then had a spell of their own, with Kris Carr making 2 great saves one after another. The Celtic gave everything they had in the final 20 minutes but could not find an equaliser and it was Chilton who went through to the next round.

Everyone at the ground agreed both teams had played their part in a great game in what was a fantastic advertisement for Sunday football.

The Celtic are at home in another cup game this Sunday against Durham seniors, kick-off at 10.30am.

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