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Social News

for Christmas 2026



Happy Holidays



Christmas Fair
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Carols around the Christmas tree
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Services at St. Mary's



December

Sunday 6th	11.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 13th	11.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 20th	11.00 am	Carol Service

January:

Sunday 3rd	11.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 10th	11.00 am	Morning Worship
Sunday 17th	11.00 am	Holy Communion
Sunday 31st	10.30 am	Benefice Holy Communion

Do join us for coffee & refreshments after services

PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL CHURCH

NEXT COFFEE MORNINGS



KF Village Hall 10.15 – 12 Noon

Saturday 6th February

Raising funds for Marie Curie Cancer Care

Marie Curie

Support our local Northallerton & District Fundraising Group by enjoying some great coffee, bacon butties & sweet treats!



Carol Service

Sunday 20th December

11.00 am in St. Mary's Church

With seasonal refreshments afterwards!

Everyone is welcome at our carol service. We're having a 'Memory Tree' at this service for anyone who would like to dedicate a 'star' to those who, no longer with us, have a special place in their hearts.



FLEETHAM & FENCOTES OUTINGS GROUP

The Christmas Lunch will be held at the **Wellington Heifer on Friday 11th December .** Our usual Bedale Community Mini-bus will be travelling from Kirkby Fleetham to Ainderby Steeple with a full complement of members.

Villagers, both Ladies and Gentlemen who would like to consider joining us can initially contact John: 07503 649286.

Kirkby Fleetham & Fencotes Local History Group

From 10 am to 2 pm on **Wednesdays 9th December** and **20th January** several members of our group will be at Kirkby Fleetham Village Hall for the archiving of various donated historical documents and other items, intended for future research into our local history by the Local History Group. Anyone who'd like to come along and assist, or to take a look at the historical material, books and artefacts already present in our collection is very welcome to attend.

Teas, coffees, cakes and their famous Bacon Butties will be available from the Hub from 10.15 am to 12.15 pm at the same time.

Hello Villagers

Social News Deliveries

The Parish Council has kindly agreed to sponsor the printing of a limited number of copies of the Social News for a trial period. Copies will be available in the Village Hall and in the Egg Box on Lumley Lane but if you know of friends or neighbours in the parish who do not have access to the Social News via the Infonet and need a paper copy delivering, **please contact Kate** on **07471 006 878** to arrange for a copy to be delivered to them.



Book Club

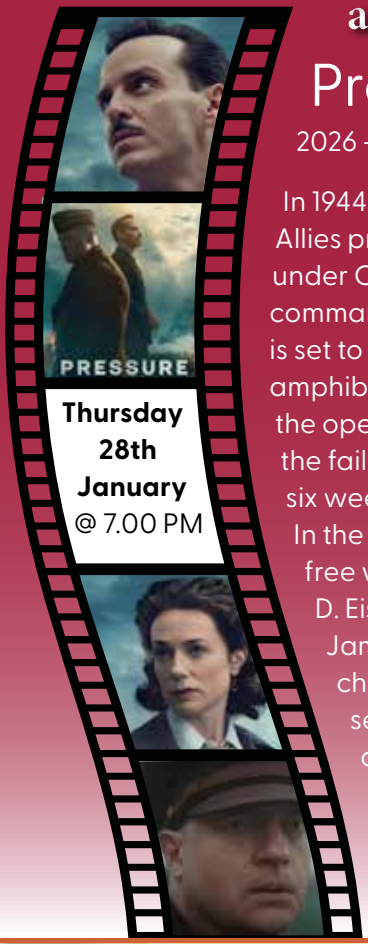
Every first Tuesday of the month, at 7pm, in the Library. Pop along and join us to share and discuss your reads of the month, whether you enjoyed them, or not. We swop and share between us or borrow something from the library shelves. We don't generally read a set book, just whatever we fancy to suit the mood we are in.

Next Get Togethers:

1st December
5th January
2nd February

ARMCHAIR CINEMA

at Kirkby Fleetham Village Hall:



Pressure

2026 - 12A - 1 hr 40 mins

In 1944, at the height of the Second World War, the Allies prepare to invade German-occupied Europe under Operation Overlord. Under the supreme command of Gen. Dwight D. Eisenhower, the invasion is set to begin on June 5 (D-Day) with multiple amphibious landings in Normandy, France. Aware of the operation's complexity, and equally haunted by the failure of the pre-D-Day rehearsal Exercise Tiger six weeks earlier, he is privately wary.

In the 72 hours before D-Day, and with the fate of the free world hanging in the balance, General Dwight D. Eisenhower (Brendan Fraser) and Group Captain James Stagg (Andrew Scott) face an impossible choice-launch the largest and most dangerous seaborne invasion in history or risk losing the war altogether.

Thursday January 28th, 7pm

No ticket needed, just come along.
Donations for the Village Hall

The Village Hub

The Hub will be closed over Christmas and New Year, the last Hub before Christmas will be on **Saturday 19th December** and it will re open on **Wednesday 6th January 2027.**

Wednesdays & Saturdays
10.15 to 12.15.

Tea, Coffee, Homemade Cakes & Scones,
Bacon Butties. Eat in or take away.
Everything **£ 1.50**

Please note that due to rising costs, we regrettably need to increase the price of items in the Hub. So from 1st January everything will cost £2.00

Thank you

Today I returned to the Teeside Hospice where Linda was looked after for two periods during her illness, to hand over the money collected at Linda's Service. This included donations from people who kindly put cards in our letterbox containing further donations. I had not been able to return due to illness until now. The sum of £1375 was donated to allow them to continue the excellent service they provide.



A big thank you to all who contributed.

Neil Rough

Carols around the Christmas Tree

Sunday 6th December 2026 at 5.45 PM

Get into the Christmas spirit by singing around the tree followed by mulled wine and mince pies in the Village Hall.



Thank you *to everyone who came to the Feast Fireworks, it was a wonderful evening of food and fireworks. Thanks to those who organised the fireworks, made and served food, helped to set up and did many other volunteering duties, plus of course a huge thanks to the community who donated generously to ensure we can organise village events in the future.*



Fleetham and Fencote's Gardening Group

Our December social meeting brings the Gardening Group's eventful year to a close. Despite some very challenging climatic conditions it has been another extremely successful year.

Our membership has continued to increase and our plant stalls and events have gone from strength to strength. Our plant stall at the Feast in August was our biggest and best yet. We were privileged to welcome some excellent speakers throughout the year to speak to the group. In the spring BBC'S Joe Swift came and enthralled a packed audience and in October Chelsea Flower Show stalwart Chris Beardshaw made a very interesting return visit.



Our next meeting will be in February, but plans for an even bigger and better open gardens event in June are already under way.

David and the members would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone in Kirkby Fleetham and the villages a wonderful Christmas and a healthy and peaceful New Year.



Village Hall Activities

Weekly Events (unless indicated otherwise)

New members of all skill levels are always welcome to the weekly sessions below. Charges are minimal

Monday

6.30 - 7 pm **Metabolic Effect**
Kath Burgin 07894 718696

7 - 8 pm **Pilates**
k_burgin@hotmail.com

Tuesday

9.30am - 12.30 pm **Bridge**
Jean Morley 748066 | jean.morley55@gmail.com

10.00 - 11.00 **Mobile Post Office**

2 - 5 pm **Bridge**
Margaret Coop 748960 | margaret.osler3@gmail.com

7 - 9 pm **Book Lovers Group** (every 1st)
Liz Harrison 748351

7.15 pm **Kirkby Fleetham Feast** (every 4th)
Rachel Campbell 07920 061924

Ballroom Dancing
Ian or Leah Hardaker 748821 | Contact for sessions

Wednesday

10.15 - 12.15 **The Village Hub**

12.00 - 12.30 **Monthly Lunch at Black Horse** (every 3rd)

6.30 - 7 pm **Metabolic Effect**
Kath Burgin 07894 718696

7 pm **Village Hall Committee** Meeting
Christine Mitten | mittonfen14@gmail.com
(Every First - Mar, June AGM, Sep, Dec)






Thursday

10 - 11 am	**General Exercise** for Older Adults
11.30 - 12.30 am	**General Exercise** for Older Men Kath Burgin 07894 718696
2 - 4 pm	**Carpet Bowls** John Lamperd 07503649286 | jelamperd@gmail.com
7 pm	**Gardening Group** (every 1st) David Russell 748769
7.30 pm	**Kirkby Fleetham WI** (every 2nd) Helen Lunn 748582
7.30 pm	**Parish Council Meeting** (every 3rd) Chris Walker 07753 933293
7 pm	**Armchair Cinema** (last Thursday) Lesley Bottomley 07855 961563

Friday

9.30am & 10.45 am	**Vinyasa Yoga** Helen Robinson | www.yoga-bella.com/ book-onlinehelen@yoga-bella.com

Saturday

10.15 - 12 noon	**Church Coffee Morning**
10.15 - 12.15	**The Village Hub**

Sunday

9.30 am - 12.30 pm	**Sunday Sanctuary Yoga & Sound Bath***(dates vary) mike@balancesoundandyoga.com | 07982 104144



www.5105familyfit.com

Metabolic Effect was founded on the idea that weight loss and fat loss are not the same and is a system that works to help people understand their unique metabolic processes so they can work with their metabolism, not against it.

Circuit Fitness sessions are suitable for all ages/levels of ability as each circuit is individually designed.

Pilates is a class for people of all ages and fitness levels who want to improve their core strength.

Keep Fit & Coffee with Kath is a weekly session for Seniors, offering individually tailored exercise followed by the opportunity to socialise.

Swedish and sports massage and therapy and medical acupuncture also available for individual booking.

For more information; https://www.facebook.com/5105familyfit



Older Men Fitness Class
Thursdays at 11:30
A class for older adult men over 60 encompassing all aspects of fitness.
Strength training, resistance work, aerobic, stability and balance and core work to help maintain and improve a healthy lifestyle in older age.



Kirkby Fleetham 1949

Children in Nativity scene Kirkby Fleetham mid 20th Century

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VILLAGE HALL

Thursday January 14th 2027 at 7.15pm,
70s Night! Come and rock your inner hippie!

Thursday 11th February at 7.15 pm.
True tales from our legendary past' with Tony Wood



Kirkby Fleetham Village Hall

The Kirkby Fleetham Village Hall continued to be a central part of village life during 2026, with a wide variety of events taking place throughout the year. We look forward to 2027 and wish all users a very Happy Christmas.

A full programme of activities continues with exercise classes, Yoga, Armchair Cinema, Bridge Club, carpet bowls, sound bath relaxation and ballroom dancing. The Women's Institute, Book Lovers, History, Gardening and Parent & Baby groups meet regularly, and new members are always welcome.

The Village Hall hosts a schedule of regular events, which includes the popular "Hub" on Wednesday and Saturday mornings between 10.15-12.15, offering cakes, bacon butties and hot drinks, and Church coffee mornings which are held on the first Saturday of every month.

The Parish Council as well as the Feast, Village Hall, Gardening and Hub committees meet in the Hall and we host one-off events, such as plays, talks, music evenings and pizza nights. The Hall is also used as a polling station during elections.

Facilities include a large hall with projector and sound equipment, a library which is also used for meetings, a well-equipped kitchen and the History & Resources Room. The latter routinely displays photographs and items on a variety of themes. Details of village hall activities and of room hire costs can be found at the link below.

A Mobile Post Office comes to the Hall car park on Wednesday mornings between 10.00-11.00 am, although due to problems with the Bedale Post Office this has been inconsistent of late.

A **defibrillator** is located on the front the building. There is also a selection of greetings cards on sale and there are two electric vehicle charging points in the car park. The Village Hall Committee is group of volunteers which meets regularly to manage the facility.

We ask that all users of the Hall familiarise themselves with the safety procedures posted in every room and to report any concerns to a committee member.



November 2026

https://www.kirkbyfleethamwithfencotesparishcouncil.co.uk/kf-village-hall