

Fifield with Idbury News

Fifield Parish Meeting. The Winter Meeting will be on Monday 30th November at 7.30pm in the Parish Hall.

Fete Results.

The final sum distributed was £5,200: £2,600 to the Fifield with Idbury Parochial Church Council, £1,300 to Fifield Parish Hall and £1,300 to Fifield Memorial Recreation Ground.

Children's Church.

Recently inaugurated, this usually takes place on the 3rd Sunday of the month, starting at 11 a.m. At the moment it is held in Fifield Church. The venture aims to be interesting, fun, with a serious purpose and open to all children. For more information contact Rev'd Anne Hartley, or Rachel Chapel on: 01993 832484.

Harvest Supper.

Saturday 10th October in the newly refurbished Hall. Tickets are £10 per head, please-bring-your-own-bottle. After supper there will be a fun Quiz. Tickets from Catherine Hitchens or Lucy Maitland-Smith on: 01993 832441.

Fireworks Party. Saturday 7th

November. Lucy and Geoffrey Maitland-Smith again invite us to enjoy spectacular fireworks at Manor Barn, at the same time as supporting the Hall. Tickets will be available nearer the date.

Fifield's Literary and Artistic Links.

The discoveries go on. Matthew Arnold's poem, *The Scholar Gypsy*, really does refer to 'our' Fifield and 'our' elm trees which stood on the village greens before Dutch Elm disease wiped them out. Marmaduke Matthews R.A., who went to Canada and named his Canadian settlement Wychwood, in honour of the villages in which he grew up, was born near Shipston on Stour, but spent his childhood in Fifield, and Algernon Talmage R.A. was born and grew up here. His Great War paintings were commissioned by the Canadian Army.

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SWYCH Update

Is there enough food to feed the seven billion people in the world?

Yes! But lots of it just gets thrown away. 25,000 people die from hunger *every day*. In Europe and the USA we throw away between three and seven times the amount of food that would feed all the world's malnourished people. In the UK, households throw out over five million tons a year of uneaten food.

How can we make a difference? It's easy! buy what you need, eat what you buy. That's all (it saves you money, too). Several people have asked us about sorting the stuff that goes into the black

boxes. We do not now need to sort into plastic, card, glass, etc. The recycling plant has some clever machinery that sorts everything out mechanically. Also, if you are not sure if something is recyclable - when in doubt, put it in - the machines will do the job.

Milton has now collected for recycling 2,600 Tetrapaks and 1,600 batteries.

Thank you everyone, keep them coming!

If you are interested in making the Wychwoods more sustainable contact: Jenna Saunders on: 01993 831338.

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