

Goodbye 2023

Christmas at Ketley Community Centre



Just a small selection of pictures from our Over 65's Christmas Dinners and Children's Christmas Party

The halls echoed with laughter, warmth, and the unmistakable spirit of the holidays as Ketley came together to create unforgettable moments.

The Over 65's Christmas Dinners were a resounding success, with tables adorned in festive decor, and a feast fit for a king. The air was filled with the delightful aroma of holiday delights, and the joyous chatter of friends, old and new, sharing stories and creating cherished memories. The atmosphere was one of genuine camaraderie, as our elders revelled in the company of their community, surrounded by the love and goodwill that define the holiday season.

Meanwhile, the Children's Christmas Party was a riot of colour and excitement, as the younger members of our community embraced the magic of the season. From Santa's cheerful visit, spreading joy and gifts, to the laughter echoing through the games and activities, the children of Ketley revelled in the enchantment of Christmas. The sparkle in their eyes was a testament to the success of the event, proving that the spirit of giving and togetherness knows no age.

As we reflect on these heartwarming events, let's carry the spirit of unity and joy into the new year. The success of the Over 65's Christmas Dinners and Children's Christmas Party is a testament to the strength of our community, and we look forward to creating more memories together in the coming year.

Christmas at Ketley Community Centre 2024...

Here at Ketley Parish Council, Councillors and Officers alike, would love to know what you think about our current Christmas Events and what else you would like to see from us in 2024!

Please fill in the following form and return it to the Parish Office based at Ketley Community Centre. Alternatively, you can email us at:

parishclerk@ketleyparishcouncil.co.uk

What do you like?

What do you dislike?

What would you like to see?

We appreciate your comments, thank you so very much!

Ketley Community Centre

Below is the usual timetable of bookings held in our Community Centre. If you are interested in making a booking, please head to our website at www.ketleyparishcouncil.gov.uk. Alternatively, you can email us at enquires@ketleyparishcouncil.co.uk.

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
CLATTERBUGS 9:45 AM - 12:15 PM	HARTBEEPS 9:30 AM - 1 PM	ARTY PARTY 10 AM - 3 PM	*KETLEY COFFEE CLUB 1 PM - 3 PM	ARTY PARTY 10 AM - 2:30 PM
ARTY PARTY 10 AM - 3:30 PM	WELL - FIT 2 PM - 3:30 PM	KETLEY GOOD COMPANIONS 10:30 AM - 12:30 PM	TAE KWAN DO 6 PM - 8:30 PM	TAI CHI 10 AM - 11:30 AM
CURLY YOGI 6 PM - 8 PM	CURLY YOGI 6 PM - 7 PM	CLATTERBUGS 12:45 PM - 1:45 PM	**TELFORD BAKE CLUB 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM	*FISH AND CHIP QUIZ NIGHT 5 PM - 8 PM
TAI CHI 6:15 PM - 8:45 PM	PREGNANCY YOGA 7 PM - 8 PM	CURLY YOGI 6 PM - 8 PM	CURLY YOGI 6 PM - 7 PM	
	SEVERN HARMONY 7:30 PM - 9:30 PM	**KETLEY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING 7 PM - 9 PM		
		**SECOND WEDNESDAY OF THE MONTH	*SECOND & FOURTH THURSDAY OF THE MONTH **SECOND THURSDAY OF THE MONTH	*FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH

HIGHLIGHT GROUP SPRING 2024

Ketley Good Companions

Ketley Good Companions is a club that was established 70 years ago this year, so there will be a celebration in June to commemorate the occasion!

A founding member, Mrs. Morris, in an interview with a local paper once said that the idea of starting the club for the residents of Ketley came from the Women's Institute. There was no money or available venue, but as many of the residents were so excited for the club to be established, they ended up hosting the club at Mount Zion Chapel and local collections of funds started them off.

Mrs. Elliott, another of the founding members, was put on the roster alongside her daughter, Mrs. Janet Ball, to bake cakes and scones for the club members. Mrs. Elliott's children, David and Janet are both proud members of the club, following in their mothers footsteps!



Pictures were found amongst the papers of the late Mrs. Elliott who died at the grand age of 108 years old!

HAVE YOUR SAY BELOW:

Meadows Primary School

Happy New Year to all in the Ketley community. All of us at Meadows Primary School and Nursery wish you a bright and prosperous 2024!

The future is certainly bright at Meadows Primary School and Nursery!



Election

The Parish election buzzed with anticipation as residents gathered to cast their votes for a new councillor, a pivotal moment in local governance. The Community Centre, adorned with patriotic bunting, echoed with lively chatter and the scent of freshly brewed coffee.

Sadly, we did only see a turn out of 9.2% of the whole Beverley Ward who voted. Elections are your chance to have your say and ensure that your Ward is represented by the best candidate for you!

Beddall Way
Beveley Road
Bolt Lane
Brickhill Lane
Glen Way
Hendy Avenue
Holyhead Road
Ketley Park Road
Ketley Park Road
Ley Brook
Oak Trees Avenue
Oaks Way
Parkside Crescent
Partridge Drive
Pitmounds Way
Princess Square
Skylark View
Stanford Close
Sutherland Close
Upton Walk

The Street names eligible to vote in the Election that took place in February 2024

If you have any questions regarding voting, please pop down to the Parish Office and we will try and answer all of your questions.

Ultimately, a sense of collective pride enveloped the room as the results were announced, unveiling the newly elected councillor who would serve as a beacon of hope and progress for the parish.

YOUR NEWLY ELECTED COUNCILLOR AS OF THURSDAY 22 FEBRUARY 2024 IS - MAGGIE EVANS

Following her appointment, Cllr. Evans wanted to share her thanks with you all;

'First and foremost, thank you for putting your trust in me by giving me your vote. Ketley is my forever home, and the Ketley Paddock Mound has been one of my priorities since the 1980's with likeminded people. I look forward to working with Ketley Parish Council by making Ketley a safe and friendly place to live.'

Our new Headteacher, Mr Joseph Piatczanyn, joined the school after Easter and has brought with him a passion to ensure our school is the very best place to be.

A new vision, new values, a new curriculum, new 'Meadows expectations', a desire to ensure our learning environments are the very best and even a school dog (Maple, our Head of Happiness!) are all examples of the exciting developments in place!

Our new vision is simple, for all in our school family to aspire, grow and flourish. We are passionate in enabling children, staff and families who know they can achieve anything they desire, will never give up and who believe in their endless potential. We hope you find this as inspiring as we do!

In the Autumn Term, there was much to celebrate in our school, including:

- A 'Meadows and Telford Tigers' partnership event raising £200 towards our School Library – books purchased focused on inspiring sports personalities to promote our vision.
- Our Graffiti walls being created, producing a vibrant entrance into our school hall for parents and carers. The walls were based on the designs of our children.
- A plentiful Harvest gathering was received in aid of Telford Food Bank and Hilbrae Rescue Kennels
- With thanks to Maxell, a school pond and vegetable planters have been installed in our Forest School.
- Two very successful 'Be Bright, Be Seen' walks have happened as part of our commitment to encourage more active travel to and from school. Both walks have amazed the team at Telford and Wrekin who were impressed by the high level of engagement.
- We held three school discos which raised funds for our School Library – a selection of books for Reception, Year 1 and 2 were invested in as a result.
- Years 2 to 6 all visited the Cinema as part of the Into Film Festival.
- School Council led our charitable efforts in aid of Hope House and Children in Need. £319.30 was raised for Children in Need and £250 for Hope House Hospice (doubled to £500.00 as part of a match-funding promise).
- A whopping twelve Christmas Performances were hosted this year – bringing magic to Christmas for all of our families.
- Six of our Meadows Ambassadors led a 'Big Education Conservation' at Ketley Community Centre. This international project is supporting people and communities around the world to come together to talk about what education really is for so it can change for the future.
- Our Christmas Fair raised an amazing £1732.45. Money raised will go towards funding an in-school Pantomime in January, and more books for our school library!

As you can see, your local Primary School is on an amazing journey and we can't wait to share it with you in future editions. Please follow and support our journey: [x.com/meadows_primary](https://www.x.com/meadows_primary)

#MagnificentMeadows

PROM Pop-Up

Pre-loved Ball Gowns & Suits
Drop-in and choose your free Prom outfit between 5:30-8pm:

4 April	~ Brookside Central
11 April	~ Dawley Town Hall
18 April	~ Ketley Community Centre
25 April	~ Jubilee House, Madeley
29 April	~ The Wakes, Oakengates
2 May	~ Sambrook Centre, Stirchley
9 May	~ The Hub, Newport
23 May	~ Arleston Community Centre
30 May	~ Turreff Hall, Donnington

We are also taking donations of ball gowns, suits, shoes & bags to support this event, please ring 01952 567280

LADIES!! Do you have a prom dress or ballgown you no longer need, gathering dust in the wardrobe? FELLAS!! Do you have an old suit, or pair of shoes, that no longer fits? **If you are able to donate, please call 01952 567280.**

Things have been tough for so many of us over the last 12 months, and this is a perfect way to ensure that everyone has the chance to dress up and feel amazing for their prom, whether it be year 6, year 11 or year 13 leavers!

There will be pop-up locations across Telford to find your dream dress/shoes/suits, so please see to the left the venues that will be hosting between 4th April 2024 - 30 May 2024



We extend our heartfelt gratitude to the incredible residents of Ketley for your unwavering support of the Parish Council. Your dedication and involvement are the pillars that make our community truly great. Together, we've achieved so much, and your ongoing commitment to our shared vision fills our hearts with pride. Your contributions, no matter how small, have a significant impact, and we cherish the unity and strength you bring to Ketley. Thank you for making our community shine brightly, and here's to a future filled with even greater accomplishments and shared successes.



Cllr. Eileen Callear
Chair
Ketley Ward



Cllr. Hilda Rhodes
Vice Chair
Ketley Ward



Cllr. Mandy Cartwright
Ketley Ward



Cllr. Dave Elliott
Ketley Ward



Cllr. Maggie Evans
Beverly Ward



Cllr. Joy Francis
Ketley Ward



Cllr. Nick Heath
Beverly Ward



Cllr. Amrik Jhawar
Ketley Ward



Cllr. Sam Millward-Thomas
Beverly Ward



Cllr. Sukh Thiara
Ketley Ward



Cllr. Ranbir Sahota
Telford & Wrekin Council Brough Councillor
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**The office is closed on weekends and Bank Holidays

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Housing Options	01952 381925
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Council Tax	01952 383838
Environmental Health	01952 381818
Highways (streets & roads)	01952 384000
Planning	01952 380380
Registry Office	01952 382444
Safeguarding (Adults)	01952 385667
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Council Meetings

Meetings of the Council are held in the Community Centre on the second Wednesday of the month at 7 PM, excluding August. Members of the public, both parish and non-parish residents, are welcome to attend these meetings. All details of these meetings can be found on the Council's website.

