

## Dates for Your Diary

DATE	ACTIVITY
Every Thursday	<b>Weekly free coffee morning:</b> Every Thursday 9:30 to 11:30am at the Parish Centre ( <i>inside St Georges C of E primary school</i> ). Ring the buzzer marked “parish” to gain entry. Call 01952 567700 for more info.
Thursday 12th March	<b>Our first ever seed swap:</b> Bring along any unwanted packets of seeds, tools or cuttings and trade them in for something else. Don't have any seeds don't worry, there will be plenty to share as well as young plants and cuttings and lots of friendly advice, pop past between 9am – 12pm for a cuppa and a chat.
Thursday 26th March	<b>Keep Britain Tidy Litter pick:</b> More information coming soon on how you can take part in this annual event. Don't forget you can always sign up to be a street champion to help keep your area clean & green.
Thursday 2nd April	<b>Easter Bingo Coffee Morning:</b> We will be taking over the coffee morning for our ever popular free bingo & cakes, why not pop along and try your look at our Easter Themed Event. 9:30am – 12pm.
Saturday 25th April	<b>St Georges Partnership, St Georges Day Event:</b> 1pm – 4pm at St Georges C of E Primary School, London Road, TF2 9LJ.
Wednesday 27th May	<b>All Ages Coach trip to Barmouth:</b> Tickets go on sale from 23rd March, £5 each. For more information call 01952 567700
Thursday 4th June	<b>The Big Lunch:</b> This year we are hoping to celebrate national fish & chips day, more information closer to the time.
Saturday 20th June	<b>Priorslee Residents Association, Summer Fayre:</b> 2pm – 6pm at Holy Trinity Academy playing fields, Teece Drive Priorslee, TF2 9SQ
Thursday 6th August	<b>Over 60's Coach Trip to Llandudno:</b> Tickets go on sale from 22nd June, £5 each. For more information call 01952 567700
Thursday 13th August	<b>Guide Dogs Coffee Morning:</b> Come along and meet the dogs and make some new friends. There will be a small selection of stalls (cakes etc) to raise funds for this worthy cause. <b>Well behaved dogs &amp; owners very welcome! 10am – 12noon.</b>
Thursday 24th September	<b>Macmillan Coffee Morning:</b> Never been before, don't worry - why not come along and get to know your neighbours, have a coffee, cake and chat with lovely people, everyone welcome. 10am – 2pm.

Unless stated otherwise all events will be taking place at the Parish Centre (Inside St Georges C of E Primary School) London Road, TF2 9LJ. For more information call the Parish Council 01952 567700 or email [deputyclerk@stgeorgesandpriorslee-pc.gov.uk](mailto:deputyclerk@stgeorgesandpriorslee-pc.gov.uk) Parish Council office opening hours are Mon–Thu 9am–3pm.

Did you know **Citizens Advice** offer appointments at the Parish Centre the second Thursday of the month, appointments do need to be made in advance, for more information call 0808 272 7988.

## Staff and Councillor Contact List:

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## Meet your safer neighbourhood team

Officers can be contacted on the below numbers concerning community issues. To report a crime in progress call 999 and for non emergencies, report online at [www.westmercia.police.uk/report](http://www.westmercia.police.uk/report). If you are unable to report online, you can contact us via the 101 non-emergency number.

St Georges, Priorslee and Muxton SNT ([sgp.snt@westmercia.police.uk](mailto:sgp.snt@westmercia.police.uk))



PC James Fox  
07866 215068



PCSO Wayne Jervis  
07816 220759



PCSO Hayley Smith  
07483 120675

To sign up to receive alerts from your local policing teams scan the QR code above or visit: [www.neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk](http://www.neighbourhoodmatters.co.uk)

## Parish Matters

ST GEORGES & PRIORSLEE  
PARISH COUNCIL



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# Newsletter

## Chairman's Report

As we move into spring, it's a pleasure to reflect on the past few months and look ahead to the brighter days to come. With lighter evenings (at last), birdsong returning, and splashes of fresh colour appearing in our gardens and open spaces, there's a real sense of renewal across the parish – and a noticeable drop in the number of coats required to take the bins out.

Looking back, I would like to say a very big thank you to the St George's Partnership and the Priorslee Residents Association for all their hard work in delivering the Christmas events, which were funded by the Parish Council. I would also like to thank everyone involved in organising and supporting the Christmas float that travelled through St George's. It was wonderful to see so many people out enjoying it, and judging by the many positive comments, it brought plenty of festive cheer (and a few surprised smiles). This event was funded through the St George's Councillors' Ward Pride Fund and truly captured the spirit of the season.

I would also like to extend my sincere thanks to those who supported the community during the recent snowfall. From the volunteers who helped grit the roads to those who stepped forward as snow wardens, your efforts ensured people could get around safely – even when the weather seemed determined to test us all. Community spirit like that

certainly warms you up more than any hat & scarf. Don't forget you can sign up to become a Snow Warden by searching [www.telford.gov.uk/snowwardens](http://www.telford.gov.uk/snowwardens) to help improve your local environment while also having a positive influence within your community.



I was delighted to be invited by Symon from L. Tranter & Son to Aston House for the opening of their new purpose-built building. This impressive new facility will provide a dignified space for funerals as well as a venue for other events, and it was a privilege to attend such an important occasion.

Looking ahead, we are very excited about the opening of the Gower Building this summer. This fantastic new development will provide a modern Parish Council office alongside a community room for residents to enjoy. It will also become the new home of the Youth Club, currently based at St Georges C of E Primary School. Moving to the Gower Building will make the club even more accessible and help ensure our young people continue

to have positive, safe and engaging activities available to them.

We also have an exciting summer programme planned, with trips and activities for residents of all ages. Our parish is fortunate to have some amazing walks, open spaces and wildlife areas, perfect for stretching the legs, spotting wildlife, or simply pretending you're on a countryside escape without actually leaving the parish.

Finally, I am very much looking forward to our St George's Day Event on 25th April which will be held at St Georges Primary School 1pm – 4pm. I hope as many people as possible will come along and enjoy what promises to be a fun, family-friendly event – with free entry and many of the attractions also at no cost, it's an offer that's hard to beat.

Thank you, as always, for your continued support. I wish you all a happy, healthy and enjoyable 2026.

## Richard Overton

Chair, St. Georges & Priorslee  
Parish Council



Cllr Richard Overton

## Friends of Granville Park

### Volunteers needed for Fun & Fresh Air

Granville Park is one of the largest and most wildlife rich of Telford's Green Spaces and is designated as a local nature reserve. Remains of its former industrial history such as the blast furnaces, the tub boat canal and winding house can still be explored. Nature has reclaimed the whole of the area. There are now woodlands, meadows, a marsh and open water. Pit mounds have been transformed into grassland and heath. These habitats support an abundance of birds and flowers such as orchids, ox-eye daisy and yellow rattle.

If you enjoy being outdoors, go along and join The Friends of Granville. The Friends are a team of volunteers who meet every two weeks at 10am in the main car park. They provide hand tools and to do maintenance and conservation jobs around the site. Work includes, keeping paths open, litter picking, removing fallen trees and clearing around heritage sites and



buildings. Appropriate clothing and footwear is required. The site can be muddy. If you would like to take part, please make contact via the website [friendsofgranvillecountrypark.com](http://friendsofgranvillecountrypark.com) or **Facebook: Friends of Granville** or alternatively you can just turn up.

## Garden Service

Our ever popular free grass cutting service is offered to residents of the parish who are over 70 or in receipt of disability benefits and are unable to manage the mowing of the lawn themselves, or are care leavers or veterans / members of the armed forces.

The service is a basic lawn cut only, roughly every two weeks (weather depending). If you would like to put your name forward, please contact the Parish Council giving your details and you will be sent an application form. Due to limited availability places will be allocated based on eligibility criteria.

Please note, if you leave us a voicemail message, don't forget to include your phone number so we can call you back.

For all enquiries, please contact **Catherine Lane** on **01952 56 77 00** or email: [deputyclerk@stgeorgesandpriorslee-pc.gov.uk](mailto:deputyclerk@stgeorgesandpriorslee-pc.gov.uk)



Spaces are limited - apply quickly to avoid disappointment!



## Coach Trips & Tickets Dates for 2026

We offer three fantastic, subsidised coach trips throughout the year, including our long running and ever popular over 60's coach trip to Llandudno and a November trip to Chester Christmas Market.

This will be our third year running an all-ages seaside coach trip to Barmouth in May. All Children attending this trip must be accompanied by an adult, residents are welcome to bring car seats for children who need them. The coaches pick up from St Georges Primary School, Red Hill Primary School, Priorslee Co-op and Hazel Way sheltered housing scheme.



Tickets are priced at £5 per person. Residents who require the assistance of a carer for the trip are welcome to bring one, they do not need to reside within the parish but must purchase a ticket.

We can accommodate several wheelchairs, if you need to stay in the wheelchair on the coach, and we have plenty of space in the hull, for collapsible wheelchairs, walkers and pushchairs etc.

In order to attend these trips, you must be a resident of Priorslee or St Georges, for the over 60's trip to Llandudno & Chester you must be over 60 on the day of the trip,

or be a serving member of the armed forces or a veteran, or be a care leaver.

### Dates for this year:

**Barmouth 27th May** 8:00am – 5:00pm, Tickets go on sale 23rd / 24th / 25th March

**Llandudno 6th August** 8:00am – 5:00pm, Tickets go on sale 22nd / 23rd / 24th June

**Chester 25th November** 9:30am – 3:30pm Tickets go on sale 19th / 20th / 21st October

Ticket sales: Mondays and Tuesdays tickets will be on sale from the Parish Council Offices 9:30 – 11:30, Wednesdays they will be on sale at Lakeside Garden Centre 10:00 – 12noon. You will need to bring proof of your address with you. For further information please call the Parish Council **01952 567700**

## Safe Places Shropshire - what's in it for you?

Have you heard about Safe Places? This is a scheme set up some time ago by Mencap, the charity for people with learning disabilities. A colourful logo (see below) was created that could be used by shops, cafes or any other business premises to show that they could be used as a short-term safe haven for anyone who might be vulnerable. Originally this was only for people with learning disabilities.

Safe Places Shropshire was created in 2013 by a group of volunteers, including officers from West Mercia Police. It was concluded early on that anyone could be vulnerable at any stage of their life. Safe Places Shropshire supports anyone whether they are living with a disability, including dementia, experiencing bullying on the way to school or anyone having a panic attack.

Anyone needing assistance can go into a premises displaying the logo and ask for a 'phone call to be made to a relative, friend or carer, for that person to come and fetch them.

Our team of volunteers has created over 500 Safe Places in Shropshire (which includes Telford & Wrekin). We have distributed thousands of 'Help' cards to users. We have a website [safeplacesshropshire.com](http://safeplacesshropshire.com) On the front page you can search for your nearest Safe Place. Try it for yourself.

So, to answer our original question- what is in it for you? If you own a business premises, you could get recognition for the assistance you probably already give to vulnerable people. If you are a vulnerable individual, you can discover where you can go for help, should you need it when you are out and about in our market towns.

This is a simple, inexpensive community initiative. If you want to be part of the scheme, contact either Ruby (07941 398933) at [safeplaceschair@gmail.com](mailto:safeplaceschair@gmail.com) or Ann (07970 816030) at [safeplacessecretary@gmail.com](mailto:safeplacessecretary@gmail.com)



What's on Locally in St Georges & Priorslee	
DAY	ACTIVITY
MONDAY	<p><b>Healthy Lifestyles Clinic: 9:30am to 1:30pm</b> - For more information search: <a href="http://healthylifestylestelford">healthylifestylestelford</a> or email <a href="mailto:healthylifestyles@telford.gov.uk">healthylifestyles@telford.gov.uk</a></p> <p><b>Free Gym Facilities for over 65's Telford Gurdwara: 10am to 2pm</b> Daily for more information search <a href="http://telfordgurdwaragym">telfordgurdwaragym</a> or call 01952 915067 or email <a href="mailto:info@telfordgurdwara.org">info@telfordgurdwara.org</a></p>
TUESDAY	<p><b>Age Uk Knit &amp; Natter: 10am to 12noon</b>, (twice a month). Please call Parish Council for more information 01952 567 700 skill level any or none!</p> <p><b>Age Uk Coffee &amp; Craft: 10am to 12noon</b>, 2nd Tuesday of the month. Bespoke craft activities. Booking Required 01743 233 123</p> <p><b>Models for Heros: 1:30pm to 4:30pm</b>, 2nd and 4th Tuesday of the month. Model making for Armed Forces &amp; Emergency Services personnel. For more info 07539818240 or <a href="mailto:garymorris6890@gmail.com">garymorris6890@gmail.com</a></p> <p><b>Maude &amp; Rose Sewing for Pleasure: 7pm to 9pm</b> term time (moves to a Monday the 3rd week of the month). For more info please contact Nicola 07721463358 or <a href="mailto:maude-androsesewing@gmail.com">maude-androsesewing@gmail.com</a></p>
WEDNESDAY	<p><b>Health &amp; Wellbeing Ladies Group Telford Gurdwara: 6pm to 8pm</b> Opportunity to make friends, get fit and have fun (also runs 11am to 1pm on Tuesday) For more information contact Sherrel 07816335464</p>
THURSDAY	<p><b>Free Coffee Morning: 9:30am to 11:30am</b>. Some weeks we have guest speakers, hold themed events, play bingo or just have a laugh. Open to everyone, no need to book you will be made very welcome. At the Parish Centre (inside St Georges C of E primary school). Ring the buzzer marked "parish" to gain entry.</p> <p><b>St Georges Wellbeing Walk: meet at 10:30am</b> on the cricket club car park, for more information please contact <a href="mailto:info@walkingforhealthtelfordandwrekin.org">info@walkingforhealthtelfordandwrekin.org</a> or phone 07512123995</p> <p><b>Places Of Welcome: 1pm to 3pm</b>. At Priorslee Scout HQ, TF2 9QQ An informal service, light lunch, craft &amp; chat, for more information email <a href="mailto:stpeterspriorslee@btinternet.com">stpeterspriorslee@btinternet.com</a></p>
FRIDAY	<p><b>Coffee &amp; Chat: 10am to 12noon</b> drop by to have a cuppa and a chat and make some new friends inside the beautiful St Georges Church, everyone welcome.</p> <p><b>Bingo: 2pm</b> at Hazel Way retirement living, community room, for more information and to book a spot please call 01952 615059</p> <p><b>Langar Telford Gurdwara: 11am to 7pm</b>. Hot vegetarian food made by volunteers for more information call 01952 915067 or email <a href="mailto:info@telfordgurdwara.org">info@telfordgurdwara.org</a></p>