Wishing you a very

# **Happy Christmas 2019**

from the Spring Grove Residents Association



## Make a date in your diary:

Spring into Spring with the SGRA Barn Dance 27th March 2020 at 7.30pm at St John's Parish Hall.

All welcome. Look out for ticket details on posters and in the next Springboard.

#### **New Vicar for St Johns**

Mark Stafford is the new vicar for St John's following Vicky Mauder's departure. He writes: "St John's is a warm, friendly, Church that embraces all people of any age and stage of belief, and those of no belief, who wonder what Church is like or who want to know more about Christianity. We meet every Sunday at 10:00 and offer a variety of services (please see website for weekly details <a href="https://www.stjohnskingston.co.uk">www.stjohnskingston.co.uk</a>). St John's is a community Church, and is here to be alongside you as you journey through life, celebrating your joys and bringing hope in times of loss and sorrow. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all every Blessing over Christmas and into the New Year and would love to welcome you to join us as we celebrate Christmas."

#### **Regeneration Work at St Johns**

The second phase of the regeneration of St John's Church has now been completed. The Church kitchen has been replaced and new toilets added. This work means that the Church is now better placed to be a resource for the whole community. Many thanks go to all who have worked so hard and contributed time and money to enable this work to be completed. The Church is now installing access ramps to the Church, and considering options regarding flooring and how to continue to develop the Church to better meet the needs of all our community.

#### **Christmas Services at St John's**

Carols by Candlelight – <u>Sunday 22nd December at 6pm</u>. All are welcome at this community carol service featuring Christmas readings and favourite carols. It is followed by mulled wine and mince pies.

Christmas Eve Crib Service  $-24^{th}$  December at 4pm. A service celebrating the nativity story for all ages. Children are invited to come dressed up as angels, shepherds or kings.

Midnight Mass- 24<sup>th</sup> December at 11.30pm - this first celebration of Christmas Day includes the blessing of the crib.

Christmas Day All age Christmas Communion at 10am. An all age Christmas Communion service followed by a festive drink

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There are a number of groups and classes meeting weekly in the Parish Hall and Church you might like to join:

#### At St John's Church on Grove Lane:

Mon: 8pm Morris Dancers <a href="http://www.springgrovemorris.org/">http://www.springgrovemorris.org/</a>

Tues: 9.45am-11.30am Little Groovers

Wed: 8.00pm Orpheus Choir (Term time only), https://www.kingstonorpheuschoir.com/

Sun: 3pm-5pm 8218 Youth Theatre Group <a href="http://www.8218youththeatre.co.uk/">http://www.8218youththeatre.co.uk/</a>

At the Parish Hall (opposite No 5 Grove Lane)

Mon: 1.15-2.15pm: Dancing for 2-4 year old children and their parent/carer (term time) (for information pop in at class time).

8.00-10.00pm: Badminton (contact Tessa Green tessgreen25@gmail.com

Tue: 1.00-2.30pm: Jui Jitsu

7.45-9.30 pm: Jui Jitsu (contact marc@jiujitsubrotherhood.com )

Wed: 3.30-6.15pm: Perform - drama, dance and singing workshops for children (term time) (contact Sophie

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8.00-10.00pm: SGF Drama group (email SGFKingston@gmail.com)

**Thu:** 4.30-6.15pm: Jui Jitsu for children (term time)

7.30-9.30pm: Jui Jitsu (contact Marc Barton marc@jiujitsubrotherhood.com) 9.00am-12.00: Jui Jitsu (contact Marc Barton marc@jiujitsubrotherhood.com)

Sun: 9.30am-12.00 Rugbytots (contact Wes < wes@rugbytots.co.uk > )

SGF 1.00-5.00pm (email <u>SGFKingston@gmail.com</u>)

There is also a yoga class in Church Tuesday 19:00 – 20:00 and Thursday 20:00- 21:00

### **Spring Grove Fringe**

The SPF Pantomime will take place on February 7th and 8th 2020. As they say themselves - "It's all the usual stuff...Oh no, it isn't! Oh yes it is! A cow, a chicken, a whole hill of beans (some with stalks, some without), a hero, a heroine, a village idiot, women dressed as men, men dressed as woman. Plenty of singing, dancing and bad jokes but served up with the usual SGF dash and verve and absolutely not to be missed!"

Over the year up to November, the SGF has had four very successful shows and were able to donate £4250 to charity.

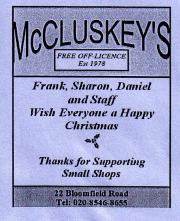
**Current SGRA Committee Members** 

\*Jacqui Hardie and Emma Poole of Harper and Tweedie have joined as representatives of local businesses in the Spring Grove area. If you are a local business, and would like to get more involved in the community, please do pop along and sec them at Harper & Tweedie, Unit 4, Princess Court, Horace Road or drop them an email at rentofficer@harpertweedie.com or jacqui@harpertweedie.com

#### The SGRA Website, Facebook and Twitter

Please see www.springgrovekingston.co.uk for info and links, see our latest news on our Facebook page www.facebook.com/SGRAKingston and our tweets on @SGRAkingston. If you have any contributions or suggestions contact sgra@springgrovekingston.co.uk. Any resident wishing to join the committee or help with activities please contact Alan Leeds on 07751 936595 or Jackie Steinitz on 07985 406931.

And finally, thank you to the following local organisations for supporting the SGRA Newsletter...







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