

NEWSLETTER

October 2025

Christmas Fair

We'll be kicking off the festive season with the Christmas Fair, which is taking place on **Friday 21**st **November**, 4pm to 7pm. As well as a magical fairground ride, there will be lots of stalls selling crafts and Christmas goodies and fabulous face painters. Warming refreshments will be on sale, including hotdogs, jacket potatoes, hot chocolate, sweet treats and mulled wine. Wristbands, for face painting and unlimited goes on the fairground ride can be purchased from the centre office at £1 each.

As it gets busy around the Centre on these evenings, please walk to the Centre if you can.

Winter Wonderland

To all those budding Torvil & Deans, the ice rink is coming to West Moor. Thanks to support from Awards for All, an artificial rink will be at the Centre on **Sun 14**th **Dec**, 11am to 7pm. Spaces can be booked for £3 per person and last 30 mins, including boot hire.

Refreshments will be available to buy, including warming hot chocolate, soup and hotdogs. Slots become available to book from the Centre from **3rd Nov.**

Children's Christmas Crafts

We will be running four children's Christmas Craft sessions throughout the day on **Sun 30**th **Nov**, with 2 sessions, 9.30am till 12pm and 12.30pm till 3pm. Children aged 8+ years can attend by themselves but those 6-8 years must be accompanied by an adult. Children can be booked on for one session for £6 or stay for both for £10. Sessions can be booked by visiting the Community Centre from **1**st **Nov**. These sessions are supported by **Awards For All funding**.

Tea with Santa

The magical Tea with Santa is taking place at the Community Centre on the afternoon of **Saturday 6**th **December** at 2.30pm. Tickets cost £6 per person and includes Christmas Crafts, sandwiches, cakes and refreshments plus a visit from the man in red! Tickets for this relaxed, afternoon event go on sale on Sun **2**nd **Nov** at 10am.

Christmas Lunch

Christmas Lunch will be served on **Monday 15**th **December** at 12pm. Come and enjoy a fabulous 3 course lunch, plus coffee and mince pies as well as entertainment. The cost per person is £10 and tickets go on sale on <u>Monday 10th November at 1pm</u>. As this is a popular event, SUBs will need to have been paid for the 2025/26 year. Tickets are restricted to 2 per person.

This event is supported by our friends at Alexander Hudson Estates.

Brunch with Santa

This year, Brunch with Santa is taking place on **Sat 6**th **Dec**, 11am to 1pm. Tickets cost £6 per person. Adults have the choice of a bacon or sausage sandwich, and children have the choice of a sandwich or a cooked breakfast. Juice, yogurts, pastries and refreshments are included, as well as a visit from you know who and a gift for the children, if they have been good! Tickets go on sale on **Sun 9**th **Nov** at 10am. Please note that SUBs for the 2025/26 year need to have been paid, prior to sale day Tickets can only be bought for your immediate family. This event is supported by our friends at Alexander Hudson Estates

We're Hiring

We are hiring! West Moor Residents Association are looking for an evening supervisor on a Tuesday 5.30pm to 9.30pm to work at the Community Centre. This is a lone worker post and involves taking calls and bookings, setting up rooms and clearing away as well as cleaning. You need to be a people person with good communication skills and a real passion for making a difference in the community. The role will also involve covering for sickness and holidays and as such may involve covering on other days / nights and at the weekend. Rate of pay is £12.59/hour. If you would like more information on what the job involves please contact our Management Team on 0191 216 1005 Or send your CV to chair@westmoor.org.uk. Closing date is Wed 22nd October.

Secret Santa

We are again, helping Santa with our secret Santa Gift Tree. From 27th Oct our gift tree will appear at the Community Centre, for people to take one gift tag or as many tags as they wish and purchase the gift on the tag. The gift, unwrapped, is returned to the Centre along with the tag and placed in our Santa tub. The gifts will then be distributed to ensure all young people in our area have a wonderful Christmas. Let's make a difference!!

Recycling advice

Would you like any advice about what can be recycled at home or like to find out about the new food waste collections service that will be introduced from Spring 2026. If so, pop along to the centre on Thursday 23rd October from 10am till 12noon when the Waste Team will be here to answer any questions and show you what containers you will receive when the new food waste collection service is rolled out.

Recycling at home

Did you know glass should be placed in your caddy for recycling and recycling should be placed in your bin loose? Why not pop into the centre for further information on the correct recycling of glass or to pick up a reusable recycling bag to help you separate your recycling at home!

Christmas Wreath Making

Wreath making is returning to the Centre on **Wed 3rd Dec** 7-9pm. You will be making the wreath from scratch and all materials and refreshments will be provided. The evening is instructor led.

Spaces cost £25 per person and go on sale on Sun 2nd Nov at 10am, initially to those who have paid their WMRA Subs for 2025/26.

Santa Dash

Our family Santa Dash will this year take place on Sun 14th **Dec**. We will leave the Centre at 10am, picking up festive sweet treats around the village before returning to the Centre for hot chocolate and Christmas cookies. Tickets will cost £6 per family and will go on sale on 3rd Nov. If you are a house in West Moor that would like to be a sweetie stopping point, please contact the Centre. This event is being supported by Alexander Hudson Estates.

(FREE!) Sound Bath

Clear Mind Meditation is launching monthly sound bath sessions with the first session free of charge.

The session will be on 12th Nov 6-7pm. Bring a blanket and cushion and let the frequencies of sound take you on a journey. For full details and to book your space visit

www.clearmindmeditation.co.uk/classes

Carols around the Tree

This year's carol singing will take place on Tue 16th Dec at 6.30pm at the tree next to the railway bridge. Bring your singing voice and maybe some loose change for the collection tin. We'll then go along to West Moor Club for refreshments.

Letter to Santa

Santa's post box will arrive at the Centre on Fri 21st Nov accepting letters until Sun 7th Dec. All letters posted will receive a personal reply from the man in red, please ensure all letters include a name, age, and return address.

Christmas Afternoon Tea

This years' Christmas Afternoon Tea on Friday 5th Dec, 2pm to 4pm. Come and enjoy an afternoon of delicious festive treats including entertainment. Tickets are £10.00 per person and go on sale on Sun 9th Nov at 10am and are restricted to two per person.

Warm Spaces

We have been successful in obtaining funding again from NTC for the Warm Spaces project. Come along to the Centre on a Tuesday afternoon, 1pm to 3pm where the kettle will be on, magazines will be available, catch up on a box set or even take part in a cooking lesson. The sessions will run from November 25 to March 26. We will be holding a Christmas Tea Dance on Tue 16th Dec, 2-4pm with sequence dancing and refreshments. It's free to attend.

Christmas Cakes

We will be donating 4 mini Christmas cakes per week from W/C 10th Nov to w/c 8th Dec to deserving members of our community. Pick up a nomination slip from the Centre or DM us with their name, address and the reason why you want to say thank you.

Festive Watercolours

Wintery Robin 15th Nov 12:30 - 14:30 Christmas Baubles 25th Nov 18:15 - 20:15 Tickets are £30 each, or £25 for two Both events are beginner friendly. Email for more information -

info@wiktoriaanna.art