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Hello and welcome to our latest edition of The Wren.

We've had a very busy month with five shows but still managed to squeeze in a visit to Corn Close Care Farm to see all the animals and stop to enjoy ice cream afterwards.

Anna and her editorial team have really struggled choosing the photos – so many lovely ones to choose from.

We're at the Autumn Flower Show at Newby Hall from 15th-17th September – it's a lovely day out and we would love to see you.

Until next time....

Take care

Nicky

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Meet the team



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Our Amazing WOWs

Every week we celebrate the incredible achievements of one of our workers. Last month Andrew, Rebekah and Emma L received Worker of the Week (WOW).



Andrew Wilford
Worker of the Week
9th August 2023



- For really getting on with his work.
- For being a big help at the Harrogate MG show
- For always being polite and being a kind gentleman
- For being very proud of the work he completes

Nicky

CEO



Rebekah Evason
Worker of the Week
18th August 2023



- For listening and following instructions immediately
- For putting her lunchbox in her locker straight away
- For being really positive
- For helping with the dishwasher

Nicky

CEO



Emma Laycock
Worker of the Week
23rd August 2023



- For staying positive even when she's not feeling well.
- For doing some super painting and embracing the idea of a pop-art chicken.
- For keeping a tidy work area.
- For having a really great week!

Nicky

CEO





Visits and Events

Yorkshire Day at Richmond Market



It was the 1st of August, Yorkshire Day, and we were doing a stall in Richmond! We sold quite a lot of products and gave out Jennyruth Workshops leaflets. We ate Yorkshire Puddings and gravy that were left over from the 'Biggest Yorkshire Pudding' competition. I brought some nice cheeses, including champagne, Red Leicester and sage and onion flavours. I also brought a fridge magnet and some mats. It was great fun being able to walk round all the stalls and Ellen and Emma L even had henna painted on their hands. There was some sunshine to start with but then it chucked it down and we all had to shelter under the gazebo.

By Jonathan Evason







Circus Family Day

We loved doing a stall at Thirsk Racecourses Circus Family Day!



"I've been selling some of the Jennyruth Workshops products to my carers who are working at my new house. I enjoyed seeing the stallions." - **William**





"I enjoyed seeing the horse racing. I went to the circus and saw clowns and a giraffe. They did ice-cream as well" - **Ryan H**



"It was interesting. I loved the marquee where we saw the clowns. I thought it was funny when I got wet. I bought popcorn, ice-cream and water. I liked it when the horses were racing" - **Rebekah**







Mini Music Fest

On Sunday 6th August I went to a Mini Music Fest at St. Wilfrid's Community Centre with my mum. The music was really amazing. I thought there would be more stalls but there wasn't. We sold a few things on our stall, like plant markers. I stayed for a bit to help on the stall with Adam and Linda. Angie also came with Lauren and Elijah.

By Rachael Addison



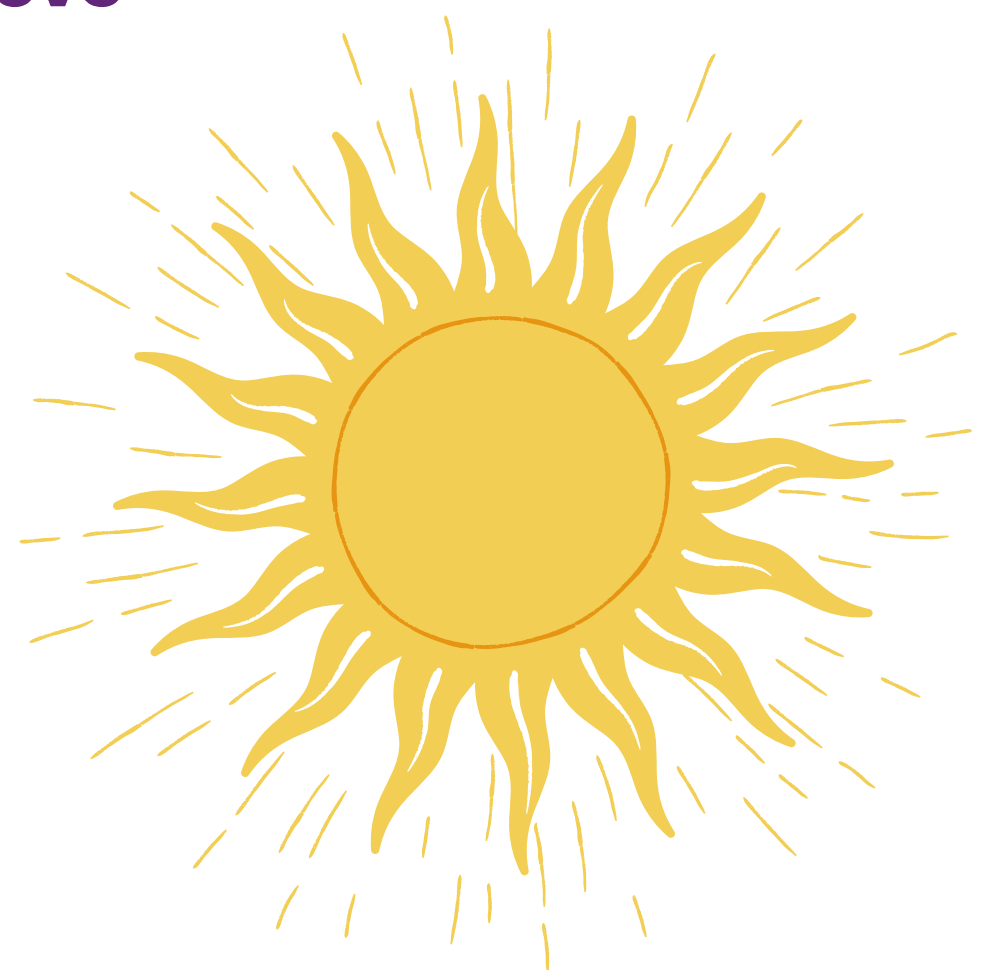
Ripley Show

A fantastic show with sunshine and showers. Not a massive turnover of stock but some interest from people, many of whom had brought from us in the past or had certainly heard of us.

There were a variety of stalls which we all liked looking around. We saw Emma on her sister's stand which is Corn Close Farm. Steve met Steve the sheep and his friend Derek neither of whom were good at conversation!! Our volunteer Sally was a great help in the afternoon.

We had a good position for our stand with plenty of room to put on a good display of our products. Jonathan was very good at leafleting.

By Jonathan and Steve



Harrogate MG Show

Andrew joined Simon and Richard at the MG rally at Pateley Bridge on the 6th August. Simon picked Andrew up in the minibus, after the stall was set up.

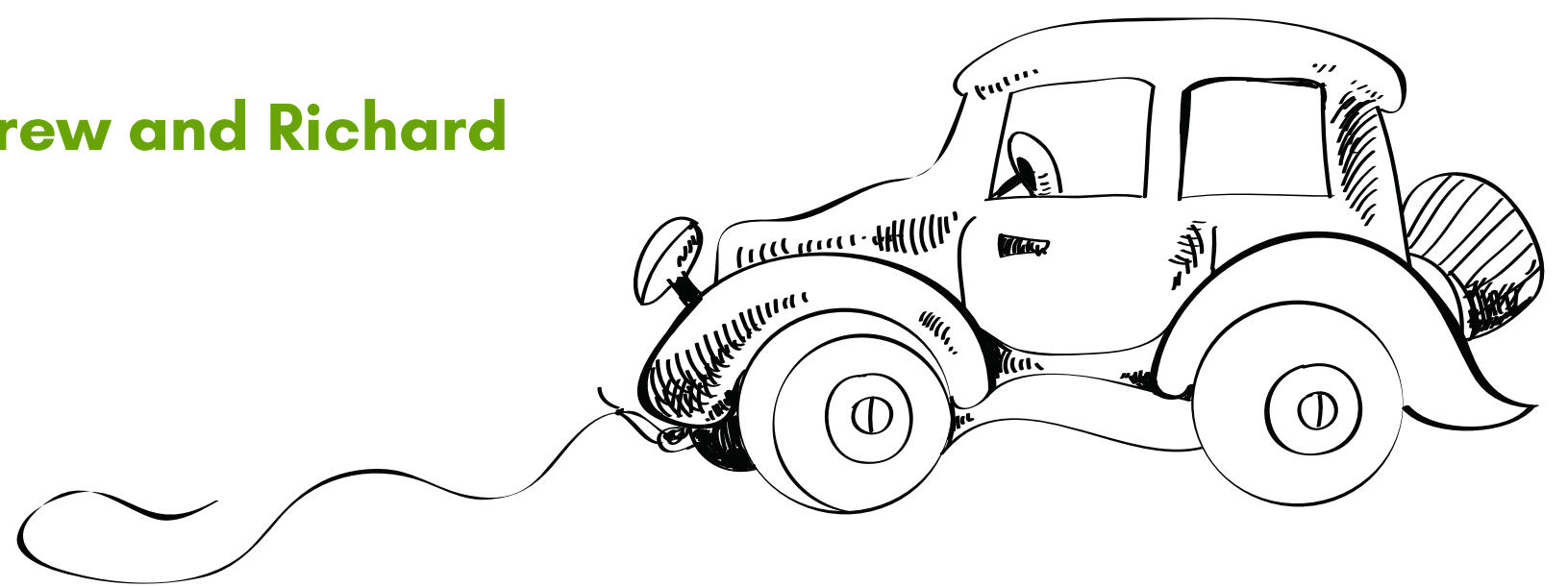
Andrew walked around looking at the cars with Simon to start with. Later Andrew did another lap with Richard to look at his favourite cars and tractors which included an MG 'A' built in the 1950s, some new electric MGs, a Jaguar XJS and some Ferguson T20 tractors (Gary Ferguson).

As well as MG cars, there were all sorts of different makes of car there such as Minis and Jaguars.

The Jennyruth Workshops stall was much busier than the last two years as we were in a much better position this year, near the cars. We made a few sales and had a lot of interest from people about what we do at Jennyruth Workshops. The weather was very good this year which also helped.



By Andrew and Richard



Wensleydale Agricultural Show

We were there nice and early and were one of the first ones there. We set up the gazebo and then got all the stock out.

We gave out over 200 leaflets to customers and then once they had done a lap they came back to our stall to do some shopping.

I had my 2nd breakfast of a bacon buttie and then went looking for a shepherd's crook walking stick. We sold lots more products before we had lunch, I had a burger. I saw the Wensleydale ice-cream van but didn't get one.

We made over £500. That was really good. It was one of the best shows I've ever done.

By Jonathan Evason



Visit to Corn Close Care Farm

We were invited to spend the morning at Corn Close Care Farm. Incase you can't tell by the photos.....we had a fab time! A big thank you to Cath and the team for looking after us and showing us all the animals.







“We saw goats, pigs, Molly the horse, chickens and guinea pigs. One of the guinea pigs was called Cinnamon. On the way back we stopped at G and T’s for ice-cream. I had Sticky Toffee and Banana flavour.”

- Lucy



News from the Workshops

Jennyruth Workshops: Memories, Stories and Pictures

We would like to produce a follow up to Barrie and Jonathan's book about their travels and the early days of Jennyruth Workshops.

We are asking friends, workers, families, carers, staff, trustees and anyone with memories and stories about Jennyruth to share these stories, memories, and photographs for our book.

You can write your contribution to the book yourself or ask someone to help you at home or at Jennyruth.

You can write about:

- products you have made
- visits and trips you have been on
- your best thing about being at Jennyruth Workshops
- events and shows that you took part in
- things you have produced for **The Wren** in the last few years
- visitors you remember
- TV or Radio interviews
- your proudest times at Jennyruth Workshops
- anything that you want to share about your life at Jennyruth Workshops

Start thinking and writing now!
Talk about your ideas with each other,
a member of staff or volunteers

Rachael's Photo Snaps

Rachael was our Head Photographer for this edition of the magazine! She had great fun taking action shots of staff, volunteers and workers.





Volunteering

Volunteer Spotlight

The magazine team interviewed Judith Pope to find out more about her life and what made her decide to start volunteering at Jennyruth Workshops.

How long have you been volunteering at Jennyruth Workshops?

I first came as a volunteer back in February 2020. Then after 3 weeks Covid hit and Jennyruth Workshops closed so it was quite a while before we came back and things started re-opening.

What are your hobbies?

I love gardening and going for walks, especially with living around here because there are some lovely walks. I also do Pilates.

What did you do before you volunteered?

We moved to Ripon in 2018 so we were very busy with jobs sorting out the new home. I heard about Jennyruth Workshops from friends who live in Ripon.

What was your first job?

I trained as a secretary so my first job was as a secretary in a surveyor office in Derbyshire and I stayed in secretarial work until I retired.

What do you do in the evenings?

I sometimes see friends, relax and I like watching nature or crime programmes on TV.

What do you enjoy most when you are at Jennyruth Workshops?

I enjoy my Wednesday mornings. At the moment I support Jamie with his craftwork but I enjoy working with all the workers.

Do you like gardening? If so, what is your favourite part?

I do like it. My favourite part is Springtime because all the flower seeds that I'd sown in the greenhouse, I can then plant out in the garden. I think it's amazing that a small brown seed can grow into such beautiful plants.

Do you have children?

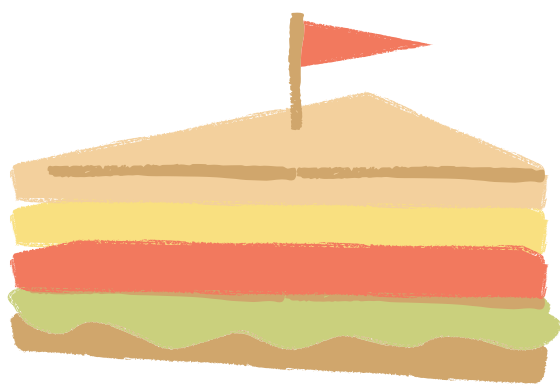
Yes, I have a daughter and a granddaughter who is 3 1/2. They live locally so I see them often.



Volunteer Social

The next social of 2023 has been postponed until
Autumn.

More information to come.....



"Thank you, we loved the last one!"

"The first event was much appreciated,
thank you."



"I haven't got round to thanking you all for a lovely evening,
I really enjoyed it -
Count me in the next one please, thanks again."



Please check the events list and if
you would like to help out at any of
these please email Avril at
info@jennyruth.co.uk

Fundraising

There are numerous ways that you can support Jennyruth Workshops.

Fancy starting your own fundraiser? Click the link to create a Just Giving page and start raising money for Jennyruth Workshops!

<https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising-page/creation/?cid=3261823>



You can donate via our website:
<https://cafdonate.ca/online.org/16026#!/DonationDetails>

Click the link to make a regular or one off donation!

Easy Fundraising gives people an easy and free way to raise donations for Jennyruth Workshops through online shopping

You can also add the Donation Reminder button to your browser so whenever you're shopping online – the Donation Reminder automatically lets you know when you're on any site that offers donations with #easyfundraising.

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/donation-reminder/>

It's now been made even easier....just scan the QR Code to sign up or visit <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/> to find out more.



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Rainy Day Relaxation

Wildlife

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- PARTRIDGE
- TOAD
- HEDGEHOG
- RED DEER
- FOXES
- BUTTERFLIES
- BATS
- SHREW
- SPIDERS
- RABBITS
- ADDER
- GEESE
- FERRET
- BADGER
- STOAT

Play this puzzle online at : <https://thewordsearch.com/puzzle/5903200/>

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Jamie's Jokes



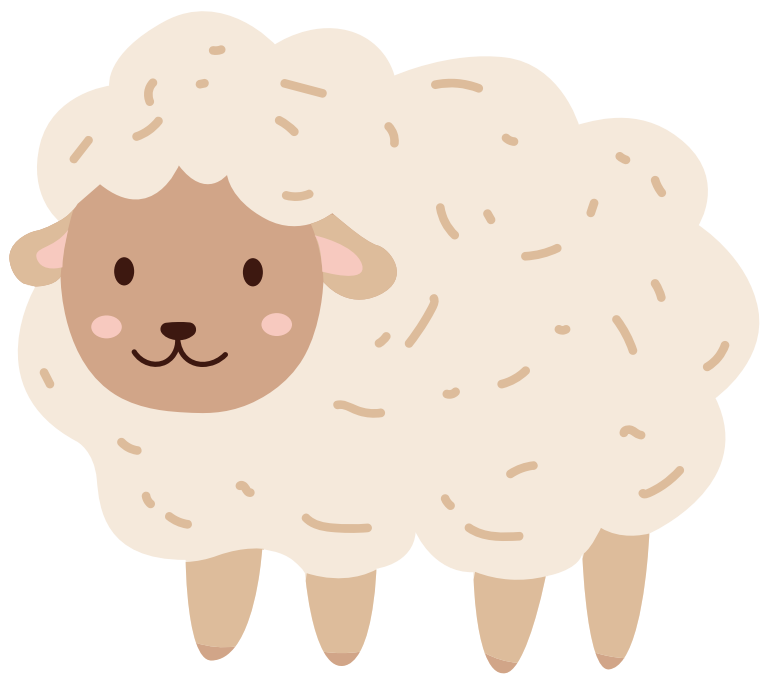
What is a tree's least favourite time of the year?

Sep-timber



Why did the pumpkin roll across the road?

Because it didn't have any feet to walk across with



Knock Knock
Who's there?

Wool

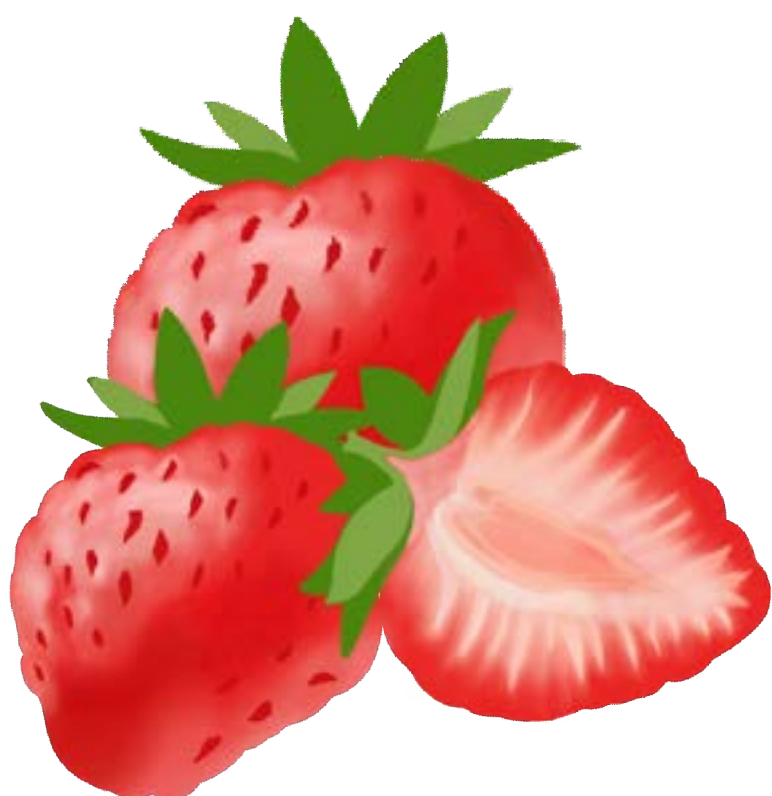
Wool who?



Wool you grab me a jumper, it's getting cold outside!

What do you call a very large pile of leaves?

The Great Barrier Leaf



What's a Scarecrow's favourite type of fruit?

Straw-berries

Why did the Scarecrow win the Nobel Prize?

Because he was outstanding in his field





Happy Birthday

September



Janet Willoner
Jamie Allen
Rebekah Evason
Angie Shield
Sally Chignell
Phoebe Dawber
Kimberley Batley
Sam Manning



September 100 Club Winners

Thanks again to Jamie for announcing the winners.



1st prize – No 50

2nd prize – No 39

3rd prize – No 79

Dates for the Diary

A note for volunteers

If you would like to help out at any of our events then please get in touch by emailing Avril at info@jennyruth.co.uk.

September

Autumn Flower Show Newby Hall

**Friday 15th - Sunday 17th Sept 8:30am -
5:30pm**

Beautiful show gardens, amazing shopping,
live entertainment and a Jennyruth Workshops
stall....what more could you want!

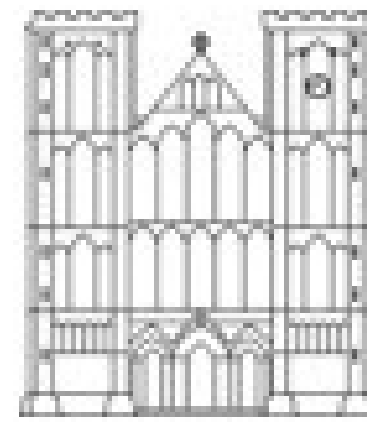


November and December

Christmas Gift and Food Fair Ripon Cathedral

Friday 24th - Saturday 25th Nov 9:30am - 4:30pm

Join us again at the hugely popular annual Christmas Gift and Food Fair with stalls of seasonal gifts and food in the nave of Ripon Cathedral. The fair offers the perfect unique shopping experience and live music.



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Coffee Morning Marton cum Grafton

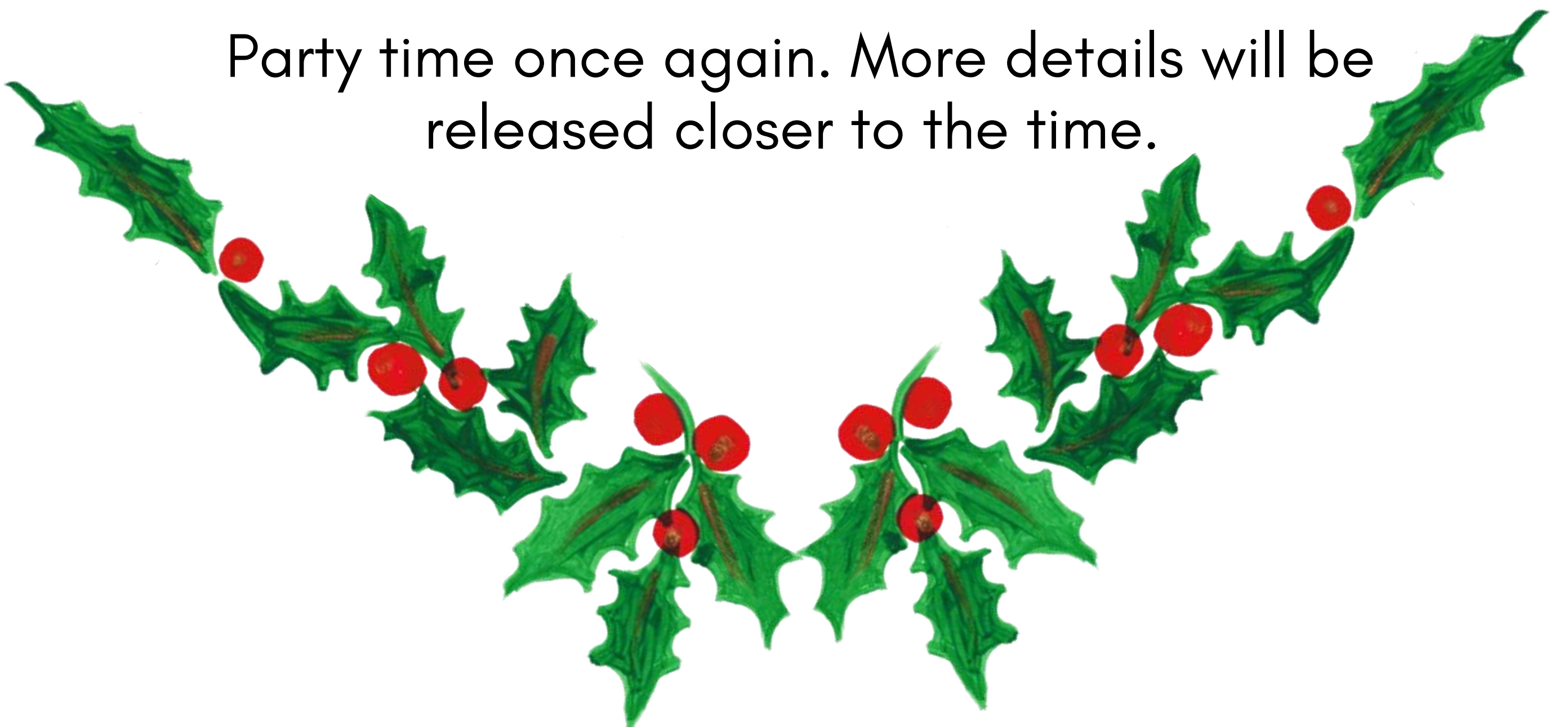
Saturday 2nd December 10am - 12pm

A cup of coffee and a catch up.

Christmas Party

Friday 8th December 2023 7pm - 10pm
Bowling Club Ripon

Party time once again. More details will be released closer to the time.





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