

Newsletter



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Happy New Year!

Thank you to everyone for their support throughout 2020. It really is appreciated. Thank you also for continuing to share photographs and information for the website and Community Archive. We are building up a really interesting resource. Please do keep the information and photographs coming.

Heritage activities

Our activities obviously remain on hold, but we look forward to restarting them as soon as it is safe to do so. We have a draft 2021 meeting programme for the Escrick Heritage Group, so we will be ready to go as soon as the time is right.

Escrick Laundry

As you may know Escrick Park Laundry was in existence until 1971 and was built on what was the old horse exercise area of Escrick Hall. Queen Margaret's kitchen and dining room now stand on the site.

When the laundry closed in 1971 it was employing 26 staff and had customers not only in the surrounding villages but in York, Selby and Pocklington.

The Escrick Heritage project has kindly been given one of the original laundry cases and one of the small laundry books. As you will see the Laundry's phone number was Escrick 22! Irene Burton, one of our members, worked for a time at the laundry and has jotted down her memories for us. Here is a link to them:



https://www.escrickheritage.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/12/Escrick-Park-Laundry.-Memories-of-Irene-Burton-.pdf

Feedback

We have received some lovely feedback from Kate who visited Escrick Church in September 2019. Kate, who is researching the Sigg family contacted us through our website and says:

'I was amazed to see the wonderful display boards, showing portraits of Baron Wenlock and his son Stephen (the rector). I really appreciated the time people had taken to put those information boards together, when so many churches are often closed these days.'

Kate has made a short video of her visit which she has put on Youtube and is happy to share with us. Here is the link if you would like to watch it:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=aNkh8JffjrU

Escrick Parish Magazine 1897

Below is a copy of the January 1897 Escrick Parish magazine from the bound copy shared by Eileen. It includes a lovely account of a concert put on by the village school, then called Escrick Park School.

ESCRICK PARISH MAGAZINE.

JANUARY, 1897.

The circulation of our Magazine last year, 1896, reached the number of 1,440 copies, so we conclude it continues to be satisfactory to our numerous subscribers, to each of whom the Editor wishes a Happy New Year.

FREDERICK FAWKES, Rector.

HOME MISSIONS.

We hope the Working Parties for above Society will be resumed early in February, when notice will be given

ESCRICK PARK SCHOOL CONCERT.

All who were fortunate enough to be present on December 18th at the entertainment provided by the teachers and children of our Schools, will agree as to the very satisfactory result of all the pains and trouble taken to amuse us. Amongst so many good things in the excellent programme, it is difficult to select any for special praise. Perhaps, in the first part, "The Tall Top Hats" (ten boys) and "The Little Mothers" (twelve girls) elicited the most uproarious applause. "The Three Beggars" (R. Ellar, E. Benson, J. Richardson) and "The Three Little Maids from School" in costume (A. Mason, L. Goodall, C. Rochester) were very popular, and A. Stamer's recitation, "Going on an Errand," won a deserved encore. The Girls' prettty Scarf Drill was done with wonderful precision.

In Part II., "The Black and White Minstrels," "who have never performed in London, and never mean to," kept the audience in roars of laughter. Their songs, riddles, and topical jokes were thoroughly appreciated, and the "Laughing Chorus" of the Minstrels was re-echoed through the crowded room. The Rector proposed a vote of thanks to the teachers, Mr. and Mrs. Butterworth and Miss Romans, and the children, for the pleasant and amusing evening, which was heartily responded to in the usual Yorkshire fashion. In returning thanks, Mr. Butterworth said he wished to state that the practising for the Concert had been done entirely out of School hours, and not at the expense of the "three R.'s," and he thanked the parents for sparing the children so often at the dinner-hour and at other times, probably at some inconvenience. We should add that to Mrs. Butterworth's skill the Minstrels were indebted for their becoming "gets-up"! The proceeds of the Entertainment, \$8 16s., are to go to the purchase of new books for the School Library.

BAPTISM.

Nov. 29—Wilfrid, son of Marshall and Eliza Raper.

The following have attended School without missing once for the four weeks ending Dec. 18th, 1896:—

MIXED SCHOOL.

Ernest Monkman, Richard Howden, Sam Pennington, Charlie Ellar, J. W. Beaumont, A. Colley, W. Jackson, E. Burniston, Hilda Stanton, Ellen Jackson, Emma Laycock, Gwen Stanton, Annie Dowson, Edith Harrop, G. Richardson, C. Rochester, J. Colley, H. E. Bell.

INFANTS.

J. H. French, A. Ellar, A. Goodall, F. Nutbrown, W. Goodall, M. E. Nutbrown, K. Colley, E. Gallimore. Total 26.

Community Archive...

As Christmas and New Year is normally a time for parties, here is a photograph of an Escrick School Party from around 1948. They all look to be having a great time. Do you recognise anyone? Is it taken in the 'big' classroom?



We look forward to keeping in touch and meeting up in the not too distant future

Won't it be great to catch up again over a cup of tea and a piece of cake!

May we wish everyone a very Happy 2021

Stay Safe