

September 2017

MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	SUN
				1` Playgroup 3pm Fatburn 5pm	2	3 Gym 10-11.30am No Service in Shapinsay
4 Fatburn 6pm Gym 7pm-9pm	5 Playgroup 1.30pm Gym 9.30-11am	6 Mini football 6.15pm Fatburn 6.15pm Shapinsay Horticultural Assoc Prize Giving and AGM 7.30pm	7 Gym 7-9pm	8 Playgroup 3pm Fatburn 5pm	9 Elwick Bookwrights 10.15am Boathouse Shapinsay Open Darts	10 Gym 10-11.30am 11am Catriona Robertson Shared lunch
11 Fatburn 6pm Gym 7pm-9pm Parent Council AGM 7pm	12 Playgroup 1.30pm Gym 9.30-11am	13 Mini football 6.15pm Fatburn 6.15pm Philosophy for Community 7.30pm kirk	14 Gym 7-9pm	15 Playgroup 3pm Fatburn 5pm	16	17 Gym 10-11.30am 11am Worship Group
18 Fatburn 6pm Gym 7pm-9pm	19 Playgroup 1.30pm Gym 9.30-11am	20 Mini football 6.15pm Fatburn 6.15pm Shapinsay Community Association AGM 7.30pm	21 Wave of Prayer 12noon Doors open day 1-4pm Gym 7-9pm	22 Playgroup 3pm Fatburn 5pm	23 Elwick Bookwrights 10.15am Boathouse	24 Gym 10-11.30am 11am Rev Julia Meason Back to Church Sunday Stewardship Lunch
25 Fatburn 6pm Gym 7pm-9pm	26 Gym 9.30-11am Playgroup 1.30pm	27 Mini football 6.15pm Fatburn 6.15pm A place to call home study 7pm kirk	28 Gym 7-9pm	29 Playgroup 3pm Fatburn 5pm	30	
						
						

Shapinsay Horticultural Association

Prize Giving and AGM

Wednesday 6th September at 7.30pm

in the

Community Centre

It would be great if as many as possible of the 86 members who joined this year could come along to the Prize Giving together with their supporters and any potential members for next year.

In the past most people came in person to receive their prizes and join in the fun. However, in recent years, numbers have dropped off and some may have thought that the Prize Giving is just a normal committee meeting.

All are welcome and we look forward to a good

KIRK NEWS

This year marks the Jubilee since the demarcation of Israel/Palestine and centenary since the Balfour Declaration. Following the 2006 Sabeel International Conference, the Friends of Sabeel coordinators met and discussed the idea of "Waves of Prayer." The premise is that in their respective time zones, individuals and groups around the world will pray together at 12:00 on Thursdays, in solidarity with Sabeel in Jerusalem and with Friends of Sabeel worldwide. Starting in the Pacific Islands, passing through Asia, Africa, Middle East, Europe, the Americas and on around the globe, we pray for peace with justice.

This autumn on selected Thursdays we're going to join with this worldwide prayer. On the 21st September we'll hold a short act of worship in Shapinsay church at 12 noon (before the Open Doors event – see below). Come along and pray with us for all those who are displaced and live under occupation.

This year the Shapinsay kirk decided to take part in the Open Doors event of the Scotland's Churches Trust. Doors Open Days is Scotland's largest free festival that celebrates heritage and the built environment. It offers free access to over a thousand venues across the country throughout September, every year. Our church will be open on the 21st September between 1 and 4 pm. Do come along!

Back to Church Sunday is being marked on Sunday 24 September 2017. Sometimes, for a variety of reasons, people stop going to church. It can be very difficult to pluck up the courage to go back. Some people might never have attended church and be uncertain about going.

We would love to have you back among us. Everyone is assured of a welcome, whether they attend every Sunday, have not been to church for a while or it is their first time at Shapinsay church.

The 24th September is also our last Stewardship service this year (the first one will be on the 27th August and the second on the 3rd September with and at the East Church). Afterwards we're inviting you to stay behind for lunch during which we're going to give you some facts and figures. Please do let Caroline or Sheila know if you'd like to attend as this allows us to prepare catering.

Last but not least - Shapinsay church now has a new website! You can view it at: <http://www.shapinsaykirk.info/>. Happy surfing.

Home, sweet home?

Shapinsay Church will look at the study called 'A Place to Call Home?' produced by the Joint Public Issues Team, a venture of the Baptist Union of Great Britain, the Methodist Church, the United Reformed Church and the Church of Scotland which helps the four churches work together on issues of justice and inequality. We're going to look at questions like: In what ways do our homes reflect our identity as followers of Jesus? What do we mean by the word 'home'? What does it take for us to feel 'at home'? We're going to have our first session on Wednesday the 27th September at 7.30 pm in the meeting room in the church.