

The Grapevine



**The community e-newsletter of the
parishes of Old and New Hutton**

October 2026

The Rev'd Lucy Foster writes...

Dear friends,

The Church's Season of Creation ends appropriately on the feast day of Francis of Assisi – that great advocate of simple of living, and love of God's Creation. Then we'll celebrate our Harvest Festivals – reminders that in God's provision through nature, and human labour, there is enough for everyone in the world if only humanity was as generous and un-anxious as God who made us.

I am lucky – our freezer full of crisp sweet runner beans (that I had no hand in growing). The damson jam (that I did not make) in its jars, glows more deeply than any stained glass. The marrows on the vegetable rack are fat. I won't have to choose between heating and eating this winter. Not because I'm virtuous or hard-working but because I'm fortunate. People in this rich country will be hungry, people around the world will endure poverty. Farmers and producers in our parishes and around the world struggle to feed people in a rapidly changing climate.

God's vision for humanity is of flourishing in peace and plenty: "everyone... shall all sit under their own vines and under their own fig trees, and no one shall make them afraid" (Micah 4:4). All can have enough if we learn together to live simply and share well.

Blessings,

Rev'd Lucy

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Seeking Tombola

**Prizes please for our
Christmas Fair**



**Saturday 14th November
1pm-4pm**

**Beck Community Centre,
Kendal.**

**Please drop off at the event, at
Bendrigg or email louise to
arrange pick up
louise@bendrigg.org.uk**

Stalls still available £10 or £15.

All enquiries to Louise

Church Services in October

Sunday 4 th	Holy Communion for Harvest 4pm Old Hutton
Sunday 11 th	Holy Communion 4pm New Hutton
Sunday 18 th	Intergenerational Service 4pm Old Hutton
Sunday 25 th	Evening Prayer 4pm New Hutton





Register your interest... Coniston or Keswick to Barrow Walk 2027

Join Team Bendrigg!

When?

Second Saturday each May

Where?

Walk from Coniston to Barrow - 21.1 miles

Walk from Keswick to Barrow - 39.5 miles



Register online , choose Bendrigg as your charity
and send your walker ID to louise@bendrigg.org.uk.

There is a £15 registration fee and a commitment to
raise at least £80. Full terms and conditions are on
the website via the QR code.

Support on the day, goody bag and dedicated
whatsapp chat with hints, tips and good banter!

Bendrigg

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Old Hutton CE School



We have had a busy and exciting start to the new school year at school, with lots of wonderful learning and experiences taking place across the school.

All of our pupils thoroughly enjoyed visiting the Westmorland Show. It was brilliant to see some of our pupils win prizes for showing their sheep – a fantastic achievement and one we were all very proud of!

Class Four are looking forward to an exciting few weeks ahead, with their upcoming day trip to London and the opportunity to explore some of the capital's famous sights. They are also beginning their Adventure Curriculum, with paddleboarding at Killington Lake and a climb up Blencathra planned. These experiences are a wonderful opportunity for our pupils to develop confidence, resilience and a love of the outdoors.

It has been lovely to see the children return to school so enthusiastically, and we look forward to sharing more of their adventures as the term continues.

Thanks for your support.

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New Hutton News

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**A night of live Music and Dance
with the Kendal Big Band**

**Kendal Rugby Club Thursday 1st October
in support of Cumbria HEADWAY charity**

All Welcome

Doors open 7pm

Tickets available from

ROGER MILLRAY

(rogerchrisgee@gmail.com) or

Kentside Probus Members

Price of £20 includes a buffet.

Licensed Bar

Dress Optional



LUXURY AFTERNOON TEA

New Hutton Village Hall

Thursday 5 November 2026

2.00 pm - 4.00 pm

£10 per person



Traditional sandwiches, cakes & tea

Proceeds to New Hutton Church

Coffee MORNING



ENTRANCE BY DONATION



SATURDAY
3RD OCTOBER
2026



AT
NEW HUTTON
VILLAGE HALL



10.00 AM - 11.30 AM



♥ ALL PROCEEDS TO ♥

North West
Air Ambulance

RAFFLE



CAKE STALL



Fresh Coffee &
Refreshments

Good coffee, great company, making a difference

The background is a dark blue night sky with yellow stars and green leaves. On the left, a red acoustic guitar is partially visible. At the bottom, there is a red and white striped accordion and a yellow and red bongo drum. The text is centered and reads:

New Hutton Village Hall

CEILIDH

with the

Eskrigg Band

Saturday 28th November
7.30pm

Pies, Peas and Puddings
Bar. Raffle

Tickets £15.00

Tickets in advance restricted
numbers

Text Kath 0788564955

Email: lakesjive@yahoo.com

New Hutton Village Hall
LA8 0AS

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THURSDAY EVENINGS



STARTS AT 7PM

EVERY THURSDAY EVENING

COME & TRY 1ST NIGHT FREE

NEW HUTTON VILLAGE HALL
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Old Hutton News

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Old Hutton WI Open Meeting

Date: ———

13th October 2026

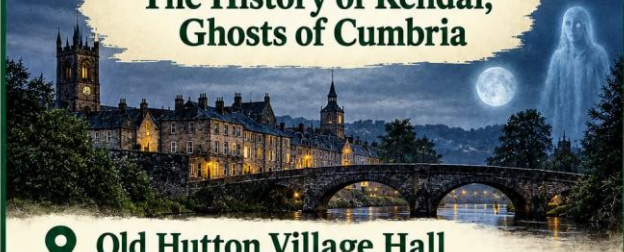
Speaker -

Kendal Ghost Walks

Simon Kurt Unsworth

Talks on:

**The History of Kendal,
Ghosts of Cumbria**



Old Hutton Village Hall



Time 7:30 meeting start



How much £4



Refreshments tea and coffee

≡ All welcome ≡

Remembering Will Nelson *by Ruth Rigg*

The village and wider community were saddened to hear of the death of Will Nelson in early September, following his devastating diagnosis of Motor Neurone Disease (MND) in March.

For many of us, the last time we saw Will was at the village litter pick earlier this year, when he came along with Alison, as they had done many times before, to help with the usual task of collecting the filled litter bags.

Will was born and brought up in Old Hutton and went on to join the family joinery and building business, following in the footsteps of his father, George.

When Will and Alison married, they made their home in Low Park, Natland. After several years they returned to Old Hutton, living at the Post Office. Alison took over as village postmistress from Will's mum, Muriel, while Will continued the family joinery and building business alongside his father.

Together, Will and Alison brought up their three children, Mark, Ashley and Ben. Their lives were tragically shattered 22 years ago when Mark was killed in a car accident. Despite their devastating loss, they bravely carried on and continued to support their family and their community.

When Will eventually decided to retire, he and Alison moved closer to Kendal. They bought a property in Natland and spent the last few years lovingly restoring it in preparation for their retirement. Sadly, their plans for the future were not to be. Throughout Will's illness, both he and Alison have been overwhelmed by the love, friendship and support they have received from family, friends and the wider community.

Will was a much-loved member of our village, and his loss will be deeply felt by all who knew him.

Our hearts go out to Alison, Ashley and Ben, and to all the family, at this very sad time.

Our thoughts are with you all.

The United Benefice of Old & New Hutton

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