

The Beacon Celebrates 20 Years!



The Beacon Cafe is Heswall's hidden gem. You can find us at the top of the hill next to the Methodist Church. The cafe is run by the church, and all our profits are given to charity. Staffed entirely by volunteers, our lovely helpers come from within the church and the Wirral community.

So have you tried the Beacon yet? From the minute you walk into the cafe you will know that this is a very special place. Those who have found us return time and time again to enjoy the wonderful home-cooked food and the warm welcome they receive.

But it's not just about the food and the welcome – coming in for coffee or a delicious lunch means you will be supporting many people less fortunate than yourselves without even realising it! There are not many places where you can go and really enjoy delicious food, lovely surroundings, a friendly atmosphere and know that by doing so you are supporting so many worthwhile charities.

This last year has been amazing as we've been able to distribute a record amount of £13,410 to local, national and international charities. We got off to a fantastic start when £1,470 was raised for Macmillan Cancer Support – on Friday our famous 'Cake stand' lunch was served and there was a wonderful craft stall. We saw the cafe filled to overflowing for our Saturday Coffee & Cake event. All the proceeds from the cafe and stall from both days was given to this appeal – look out for this event next year...!

All this happens because local people are willing to volunteer in our cafe. If you talk to them they will tell you: "I really love it." So, if you have a few hours a week to spare, or are maybe retired, new volunteers are always most welcome. Come to try our delicious food and if you would like to join the team, have a word with one of the helpers.

The Beacon is open during the week in school term-time only on Tuesdays and Fridays from 10.30am to 2pm. Every Saturday throughout the year we are open for coffee and cake from 10am to 12 noon.

A huge thank you to all our customers who come from far and wide to make the Beacon the huge success that it has become.

Next spring we will be celebrating our 20th birthday and special events are being planned. Who could imagine in that time, from small beginnings, that approaching £100,000 has been donated to charity and we have helped change so many lives...

'The Beacon'... the Shining Light of Heswall.

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Remembrance Sunday at The Johnny Pye

Bobby and the team at The Johnny Pye will be putting on an afternoon of entertainment this Remembrance Sunday (11th November) to raise for the ABF The Soldiers' Charity (formerly the Army Benevolent Fund). Why not go along and donate to this worthy charity?

**For further information about the ABF visit their website
www.soldierscharity.org**