



'The Potting Shed'

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Come and join us on the
3rd October from
10.00am - 3.00pm
for our open day.

We will have shrubs,
perennials and alpine on
sale

There will be
refreshments and our
volunteers will be on
hand to tell you the
nursery history

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Our next open days are on
5th and 12th December from
10.00am – 3.00pm.

This will be our Christmas
Open Day, where you can

pick up your Christmas decorations.

Needs list

We need baskets from old flower arrangements, we can recycle them for Christmas decorations. We are always grateful for any garden plants, shrubs, perennials that you no longer want. We can split them and grow them on for the nursery sales. Also if you are pruning an interesting shrub we'd love a small quantity to propagate from. We need as many carrier bags as we can gather before the carrier bag tax comes begins in October. We are collecting plant pots particularly these sizes 3.5" 5" 2L pots and 6 packs. All pots can be put into the crates by the nursery gates. We are always looking for garden tools, woodworking and engineering tools and equipment. Small items can be put in the crate over the fence at the nursery if we are closed. Or contact us on email or phone. Now we are owners of a van we can collect large items.

Jobs

There are lots of tidying jobs at the nursery and we begin to get ready for winter any extra help would appreciated. There are numerous repair and maintenance jobs onsite, and

we need members with DIY skills to take them on. Please do contact us.

Twitter

If you have an account look for us and add us @pcrnpublicity. We use it to announce our open days and other events. From a small start, we now have over 180 followers. Do follow us and retweet our messages if you can.

Wildlife

Have you ever heard of a sexton beetle? Well we hadn't either. One tuned up on the nursery last month. Apparently they are common and a pair can easily bury a small bird. They burrow under it and excavate the soil till the dead body falls into the cavity, then they lay eggs which hatch and live off the carcass. They have a good sense of smell and can detect a dead animal from half a mile away.



Winter Bedding

We have a crop of winter pansies, polyanthus, wallflowers and stocks for sale at the nursery we are open every Wednesday and Friday between 9.30am and



3.30pm if you would like to drop in.

Heritage Open Day



Narrow Gauge Railway Lister Locomotive "Loweco" with two volunteers



"Walk the Red Carpet" used by Royalty

Christmas Crafts

I know is still a long way off but we are beginning to think about making Christmas decorations. This year we would welcome the help of people with craft skill to help put together all the materials in preparation for the arrangements to make up the decorations. Contact Paul Botting on the nursery email or leave a message on the nursery ansaphone and I will give you more details.

Recipe Book

Students from York University help the nursery to develop a recipe book which compares wartime and present day recipes celebrating the fact that the nursery was a product of wartime Britain, they are on sale at a cost of £2.50 each or £3.25 posted (cheques to Poppleton

Railway Nursery at the address on the front of the news letter

Annual Meeting

The nursery company annual meeting will be held on Wednesday 7th October at 2.30pm at the nursery. There will be a report on the nursery year and elections of director/trustees. Papers will be sent out soon Please put the date in your diary.

Absent Friends?

Haven't visited the Nursery for a while? Please don't be a stranger, come up to see us and look at the improvements that have been made since your last visit. We look forward to seeing you.

Wreath orders

If you would like to order a Christmas wreath we will be opening the order book at the beginning of November, Contact us and find out the styles we are producing. Use the contact details on the front of this newsletter

Nursery clothing

We have a small number of Green Polo Shirts with nursery logo priced at £10 each. We are ordering some Green Fleeces with the nursery logo at £16. Contact the Graham Collett at the nursery address if you want to order any.



