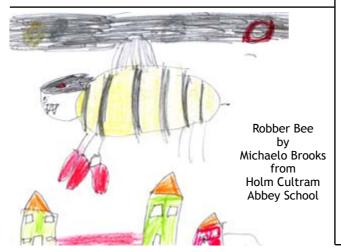
## Abbey Supper



Report by: Jennifer Barwise

On 18th January a hot supper consisting of Meat and Potato Pie or Lasagne was arranged by Friends of Abbeytown School, it was cooked in the Ambulatory and served in the Tea Room. An excellent and Tasty meal which was appreciated by all.

The outcome of the evening raised £230, and was divided equally between Abbeytown School and Church Funds.



9am - 8pm

Sunday

## Police Report

After a relatively quiet Christmas and New Year PC Robertson has been very busy in Silloth and the surrounding villages.

We are pleased to report that anti-social behaviour has been cracked down upon, more youths are being warned for their behaviour and more parents are being involved by being made aware of issues or problems that their children are involved in. Alongside this, alcohol has been seized from youths gathering at Eden Street Bus shelter. We ask for your participation in helping the police keep drinking on the street under control by letting us know any details of those who participate.

A recent survey which PC Robertson conducted with local residents shows that our increased patrols and vigilant attitude towards the confiscation of alcohol has not gone unnoticed and that people are starting to see a positive difference.

With the introduction of the new head cam equipment all Wigton police station officers are being trained in recording interactions while on duty. This has proved to be a great success when targeting anti-social behaviour in Wigton and the equipment will soon be used on a regular basis in all towns.

We are pleased to report that following complaints on The Crofts regarding speeding vehicles, PC Robertson has been involved in campaigning for more safety measures to be in place on the housing estate. At the January Town Council meeting it has been confirmed that "Children at play" signs and a zebra crossing are to be organised for the area.

On the flip side of the vehicle coin, can we remind everybody that parking in and around Silloth is still causing major problems for pedestrians due to inconsiderate people parking too near junctions, corners and drop curbs designed for wheeled access onto the pavement for pushchairs, wheelchairs etc. Please can drivers take the time to park sensibly where they are not causing a

hazard for other road users or an obstruction which may cause an accident.

PCSO Lindsey
Noblet had a baby boy,
Archie Thomas in early
December, she hopes
to be back at the end of
summer, but is visiting
the station on a monthly
basis to keep involved
with the news and
development.

We have received reports that doorstep fish sellers have been plying their trade in the area and our advice is that if you are approached, that you do not buy anything.

Police and Trading Standards offices have numerous examples of people who have reported very expensive and very unsatisfactory transactions with doorstep fish sellers. Doorstep fish sellers are completely different from the friendly local fishmonger many of us have been used to. Do you really want to buy fish that you have no idea where it has been sourced from, how old it is, whether it has been thawed and re-frozen, and from a person you

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have no knowledge of, and cannot contact for your money back? These 'salesmen' are very persuasive and experts in parting vulnerable people from their money. The experience of one lady in Wigton last year was that the minimum purchase was £50. Follow your instincts whether it is with fish sellers or people offering to do repair work, and use local traders that you know.

If you have a door chain, always put it on just before you answer the door. Do not allow people you do not know into your home if you are alone, ask them to make an appointment when you can have someone with you.

Please advise anyone you know who you think may be vulnerable. Please advise them to only buy groceries from a person that they know and trust and do not hand over any amount of cash to a unknown sales person.

If you have any further concerns or indeed information on rogue traders please contact your local police station.



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