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The Worth Valley Mag is pleased to be a champion of local businesses and services in the community. We have been creating a network of care and trust since 2006. Each page spotlights up to eight local businesses and we often represent in the region of two hundred 'independents' every month. Thank you for your loyal custom as these businesses recover. Have a great September!



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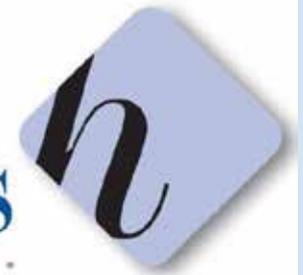
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Sweet potato, chickpea and kale

Ingredients

- 2 Tbsp olive, melted coconut, or avocado oil
- 2 small sweet potatoes (halved)
- 2 big handfuls kale (larger stems removed)
- 1/4 tsp each salt + pepper

1 (15-ounce) can chickpeas (drained, rinsed + patted dry)

- 1 tsp cumin
- 3/4 tsp chili powder
- 3/4 tsp garlic powder
- 1/4 tsp each salt + pepper
- 1/2 tsp oregano (optional)
- 1/4 tsp turmeric (optional)

TAHINI SAUCE (OPTIONAL)

- 1/4 cup tahini
- 1 Tbsp maple syrup
- 1/2 medium lemon (juiced)
- 2-4 Tbsp hot water (to thin)

Instructions

Preheat oven to 400 degrees F (204 C) and arrange sweet potatoes on a bare baking sheet. Drizzle with a bit of oil, making sure the flesh of the sweet potatoes are well coated and placed skin side down on the sheet. Bake for 25 minutes, then remove from oven flip sweet potatoes and add kale. Drizzle kale with a touch more oil and season with a pinch each salt and pepper. Bake for another 15 minutes or until the sweetpotato and kale looks done. While vegetables are roasting, heat a large skillet over medium heat and add chickpeas to a mixing bowl and toss with seasonings. Once skillet is hot, add 1 Tbsp oil and the seasoned chickpeas and sauté, stirring frequently. Once the chickpeas are browned remove from heat and set aside. Prepare sauce by adding tahini, maple syrup and lemon juice to a mixing bowl and whisking to combine. Add hot water until a pourable sauce is formed. Serve all together as displayed in photo. (Serves two)

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Upstairs at Pennybank is a venue with a difference. Overlooking the iconic Haworth Main Street and looking out towards Haworth Moor, it has a view that inspires relaxation,

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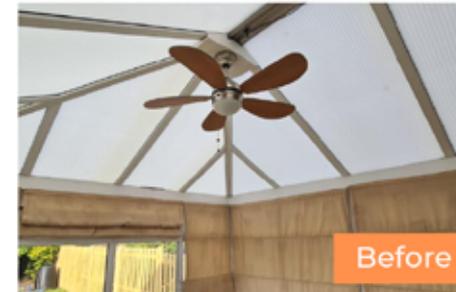
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Principal Curator Ann Dinsdale tells us about The Honresfield Library

There have been several articles in the media recently about the Honresfield Library, an extensive collection of books, manuscripts and drawings by many of the great names in literature including the Brontës, Walter Scott, Robert Burns and Jane Austen. This collection was created by Sir William Law (1836-1901), who lived at Honresfield, a spacious house at Littleborough, near Rochdale.

At the heart of the library is a collection of manuscripts by the Brontës. Honresfield is only twenty miles from Haworth, and William made frequent visits, purchasing artefacts from Tabitha Ratcliffe, sister of Martha Brown, and devoting time and money to securing additions to his collection. When the first Brontë museum opened in 1895, William Law

donated an oil painting by Branwell Brontë, and further items were offered as loans to the fledgling Brontë Society. He lived a retiring life amongst his treasures, which at his death, passed briefly to his brother Alfred (1838-1913), before becoming the property of their nephew, Alfred J. Law, who also inherited Honresfield. Like his uncles, Alfred never married, and for more than eighty years since his death, the location of the Law collection has remained shrouded in mystery. Over the years I've worked at the Parsonage, I have frequently been asked which missing Brontë treasures I would most like to see returned to Haworth, and my response has always been, 'the Law Collection'. When Sotheby's announced that they had been instructed to sell the entire collection over three auctions, it seemed almost certain that a library which has remained intact for a hundred years, would be broken up and

dispersed into private collections around the world. In the months since the announcement there have been exciting developments. The Brontë Society has joined forces to save the collection for the nation, becoming part of a consortium spear-headed by the Friends of the National Libraries. A few weeks ago, I was able to view all of the Brontë material from the collection, spread out on a table at Sotheby's. It was an overwhelming and unforgettable experience. Placed before us was a collection of letters and early manuscripts by Charlotte, including the missing little book,

which completes the second series of The Young Men's Magazine, and her Visits in Verreopolis, contained in two tiny volumes with covers made from an Epsom Salts wrapper, stamped 'J. West, Chemist and Druggist, Keighley'.

There were poetry manuscripts by Emily and Anne, along with diary papers by both sisters, written on Emily's birthday in 1841. One of the most moving items for me was the family's two-volume edition of Bewick's History of British Birds, annotated throughout by Patrick, and containing doodles and markings by his children. These were the volumes from which the Brontë siblings made pencil copies of the woodcut illustrations and which Charlotte referenced in Jane Eyre. There was Emily's copy of Poems, first editions of the novels, inscribed by Patrick to Martha Brown, and letters by Branwell.

We have been given a reprieve to fundraise and place this world-class library in public ownership. There is a long way to go, but we are committed to doing all we can to ensure the collection remains intact and will be accessible to future generations. We will let you know how we get on. ~ Ann Dinsdale



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During the visit, we were able to take our guests on a tour of the bridge that we replaced last year, which involved using a steam crane to help manoeuvre the bridge beams into place and was our largest civil maintenance project we have ever undertaken. Aside from the delays caused by the lockdowns, the project was both completed on time and within budget, which is testimony to the months and months of planning and careful project management of the work, led by some of our younger volunteers who are taking on more leadership roles in the organisation. As well as everything going on behind the scenes, we continue to provide a daily service until the beginning of September, when we revert to weekend operation, but we have a packed programme of events and special services, including cream teas, the return of the dinosaurs (25-29 October), the Beer & Music Festival (14017 October) and of course Santa joins us on the Elf Express specials – please visit the website for all the details and booking information. We look forward to welcoming you on board soon, and please do take a minute to spare a thought for all that behind-the-scenes activity that keeps the wheels turning. ~ Matt Stroh, KWVR

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Back in the early 2000's we started our plant nursery growing hardy herbaceous perennials and bedding plants. Not long after that our first Oxford Sandy and Black pigs arrived. Since then we have continued to grow our Farm with Highland cattle and other native breeds, Boer goats and free range chickens, to provide the community with locally reared, high quality produce which we sell on farmers markets and in our farm shop.

This summer it has been a busy one for Marsh Top Farm Shop with lots of lovely locals and holiday makers popping up to the farm who got to see all the new additions.

We started off the summer with thirty one piglets from our Oxford Sandy and Black, Tamworth and Saddleback pigs which can be seen in our pig field. Our three sows have done a great job nursing their piglets who are enjoying rooting up the field.

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We categorically challenge that assumption. We see our community as a place of honest reflection. We also recognise that unless new people join our quest to create a community that serves and loves our village, we will at some stage become unsustainable. So as we 'build back better', we invite you to connect with us in whatever way suits you. Our services are at 10:30am on Sunday. They are family friendly, last about 1 hour and are followed by excellent coffee and cake. You can see the livestream on the church Facebook page www.facebook.com/westlanebaptist I work in the office at the side of the building and can usually stop whatever I'm doing for a coffee and a chat. You can also reach me on 07976 287117 or email chris@altruists.org. Hoping to see you soon, Chris.



Acupuncture & Stress

I think it's safe to assume that we have all been affected by Covid in one way or another this past 18 months. We have experienced a phenomenon that has challenged the way we live on such a deep and fundamental level.

There is no doubt the pandemic has created stress in everybody's lives; having coped with lockdowns and isolations, losing your job, being furloughed, working from home? Home schooling? How may it have affected not only our physical health with being unable to see your GP, but also our relationships?

We can identify different causes of stress which are primarily related to a situation or event and how a person deals or responds to that situation. The signs of stress can therefore differ from one person to the next and may manifest in the form of conditions such as IBS, anxiety, migraines, insomnia, depression, back pain, or fatigue. Those suffering from stress symptoms use several coping mechanisms with many people finding traditional acupuncture effective in not only helping relieve symptoms but to also identify and treat the root cause of stress.

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In September, with great care to ensure everyone's safety, they are hoping to open the piano lid again, dust off the music and limber up the vocal cords. Their repertoire is wide ranging, including songs from musicals, folk songs and through all the decades of popular music up to the present day. The emphasis is on having fun and the sheer enjoyment of singing together.

Sadly, performances are on hold for a while longer, but as the choir starts rehearsing together again, they would love to welcome new members who share a joy of singing. No previous experience or ability to read music is necessary. Anyone new to singing in a choir will be given all the support they need to become fully involved.

Oxnop Singers rehearse on Monday evenings from 8pm and, in these early stages, will finish at 9pm rather than the usual 9.30. **Rehearsals start again in September and if you are interested please contact Helen McClorry on 07930844359.** And potential audience members, watch this space for when concerts resume and zooming will be a distant memory!



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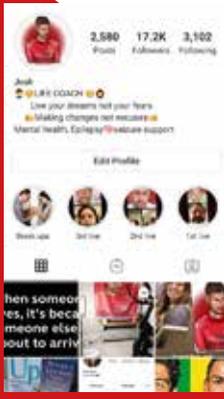
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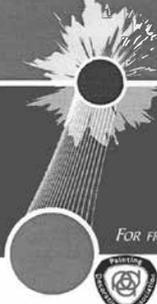
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