

Upcoming events



Remembrance Day

This year's Remembrance Parade will be on Sunday 14th November. After meeting at Ivanhoe School at 9am, the parade will be split into two with the seniors heading down North Street, along Derby Road and back up Market Street to St Helen's Church and the youngsters walking up North Street, down Market Street and on to Trinity Church for their service. Both groups will then meet back at the War Memorial for 11am.

Road closures will be in place as well as crowd safety barriers to ensure the safety of all involved. We ask that these are respected.

Christmas

If you're looking to support local, independent stores here in Ashby with your Christmas shopping you will be spoilt for choice. On Thursday 25th November the shops on Bath Street will be open late from 5pm to 7pm so you can browse at your leisure and stock up early.

On Saturday 4th December the Christmas market will return, packed with festive fun, shopping galore and even Santa himself. The event will take place on and around Market Street from 10am to 5pm and promises to be packed with festive fun for all the family. Throughout the day, there will be a mixture of live entertainment on the main stage hosted by Radar Events and mainly provided by the local schools.

In addition, we have had a very special Ashby pantomime starring various characters from the traditional pantos such as Buttons and Peter Pan. In the story Ashby has lost the magic of Christmas and needs to find the Christmas songs that are



hidden in shop windows. It will be full of all the classic Christmas songs and public participation will be required. Oh yes it will!

Food Gusto's food and drink festival will be back with a wide variety of stalls featuring regional produce including gourmet food, handmade confectioneries, artisan breads, specialty beers and locally produced wines, to name a few. Whilst over on Brooks Street a variety of fairground rides will be running for the little ones.

A best dressed window competition will also be running. Be sure to vote online for your favourite (details will be available in the windows). The mayor's choice will be announced on the day.

The event will close with the official lights switch on of the big tree outside Boots on Market Street and of course, the traditional snowflake finale complete with confetti snow cannons.

The fun continues into Sunday with a second day of the Food Gusto food and drink fair. What a weekend to kick start December and get us all ready for Christmas!

