

## WINDERMERE – DIESSEN TWINNING ASSOCIATION

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Dear Members and Friends,

Early Spring Newsletter 2017

February already, and on some days the promise of Spring is in the air, but I hope I am not too late to wish everyone all good wishes for 2017, and bring you up-to-date with planned Twinning activities in the year ahead.

Firstly, the official visit to Diessen by Windermere's Town Mayor and his wife together with some of our Members is well in hand, flying out on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> April and returning on Thursday, 4<sup>th</sup> May. With their usual generosity, our hosts are planning visits to several places of interest, together with a variety of other activities during our stay. There is still time to join in this trip, and I have already sent everyone the details of the flights. However, if any other information is needed, Please get in touch with me soon as we would be delighted for more Members to be included in this visit, and we need to complete various transport arrangements as soon as possible.

The annual Carl Orff school visit to Lakes School takes place later in May, but sadly there has not been enough uptake this year for the exchange trip to Diessen by Lakes School students, but hopefully this will resume next year.

We will be welcoming a group of Diessen members who will be coming to stay at Hawksmoor in late July to join in a programme of visits taking in events and places connected with our rich local cultural heritage of music, literature and the arts. We will also be planning a social get together with our own Members during their stay for which further information will be advised nearer to the time.

Please make a note in your diaries to attend our important Annual General Meeting which is programmed for Friday evening of 24<sup>th</sup> March 2017 at the Marchesi Centre, and for which the agenda papers will be sent nearer the time. This will take the form of a social get-together with refreshments and the opportunity for us all to discuss the way ahead for our Twinning arrangements and ideas for future activities.

Please note that your annual subscription of £10.00 is now due and can be sent by cheque payable to Windermere/Diessen Twinning Association to Joan Jones, our Treasurer, at Briarways, Spooner Vale, and Windermere, LA23 1AU or paid at the AGM when attending.

Kindest regards to all - hope to see you soon,

Jenny Borer.