

Welcome to our Summer 2010 Newsletter and to the big news of the Year!!

Poppy's is expanding!! At **mid-day** on **8th July** we will open our second shop at **11 Colliergate, York**. It would be great to see as many old friends there as possible. From the Friday our opening hours will be Tuesday to Saturday 10am to 4.30pm and Sundays 12 to 4.30pm (I hope to open on Mondays soon but can't do so at the moment)

But don't worry Pocklington will not be losing Poppys!

Mags, Eva, Tiffany and Trisha W will still be there holding the fort.

The new shop is fantastic. It was the "Scope" shop but has undergone a complete refit. From the roof right down to the floors and I have to say the quality of the work is fantastic. More than one person has said "I'd like those doors in my house.", and when you visit you will be able to judge for yourselves. The building is just as quirky as the one in Pocklington with beautiful old beams and its lack of straight lines. The ground floor is larger than Pocklington and we will have a bigger and better stock room. It is a three storey building and we hope to use the second floor to run an expanded range of classes and groups – maybe even our own knitting and stitching circle!

Colliergate is pretty special location too. Very close to the centre of town, but with disabled parking on the street, and just a very short walk from the Park and Ride and other bus stops. Most people know Colliergate as the home of Barnits and we are almost opposite them.

We will be taking with us our huge range of Rowan and Debbie Bliss and King Cole but will be expanding our range from Sirdar. I'm also hoping to expand the range of specialist yarns, especially local Yorkshire Yarns, including a range from Brigantia from Hebden Bridge.

The range in the new shop will be just as large and exciting as it is in Pocklington, with something for all abilities and budgets. The emphasis will still be on the Yarns, but we will also have the needlework kits and the bits and pieces for Card-making and scrapbooking that we love so much. The same mix of interests and crafts that makes Poppy's unique.

Those customers who know and love Poppy's as much as I do, know that great service is very important to us at Poppy's. So far I have managed to find 3 fantastic ladies to join the new team. All are enthusiastic knitters and crafters, and I'm very excited about working with them. They bring with them an impressive range of skills and experience and a love of yarn which I know they are looking forward to sharing with you.

I really hope you will support the new shop and it won't let you down and you will be able to tell all your friends about how fantastic it is to have two great yarn and Craft shops to choose from.