



News and Views

June 2012

*Calendar of Services in the Lavingtons, Cheverells & Easterton
June 2012*

Date	Market Lavington	West Lavington	Easterton	Great Cheverell	Little Cheverell
3rd June Trinity Sunday	10.00 a.m. Jubilee Half Hour Service* With Trinity Church	11.00 a.m. Benefice Jubilee Communion			
10th June Trinity 1	11.00 a.m. United Service At St Barnabas Easterton	9.30 a.m. Parish Communion	11.00 a.m. United Service At Trinity Church	6.00 p.m. Evensong (BCP)	8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)
17th June Trinity 2	9.30 a.m. Parish Communion	8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP) 9.30 a.m. Matins (BCP)	11.00 a.m. Matins (BCP)	9.30 a.m. Welcome to Worship	11.00 a.m. Parish Communion (BCP)
24th June Trinity 3 (Birth of John Baptist)	8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)	9.30 a.m. Half Hour Service*		11.00 a.m. Parish Communion (BCP)	

Regular worship in our sister churches:

- 9.00am St Joseph's Roman Catholic Church, Littleton Panell*
- 10.30am Trinity Church in the Community Hall Market Lavington*
- 11.00am & 6.00pm Ebenezer Baptist Church West Lavington.

* An asterisk indicates services where children's activities are provided.

VILLAGE CARE

**West Lavington, Littleton Panell & Little Cheverell
TELEPHONE NUMBER IS 816826**

Dear Friends,

This month we particularly remember Her Majesty the Queen. Few of us know her apart from many images of her we see in the media and what we hear – particularly the Christmas broadcasts.

On Christmas Day last year she said that *“although we are capable of great acts of kindness, history teaches us that we sometimes need saving from ourselves – from our recklessness or our greed. God sent into the world a unique person – neither a philosopher nor a general...but a Saviour, with the power to forgive. Forgiveness lies at the heart of the Christian faith. It can heal broken families, it can restore friendships and it can reconcile divided communities. It is in forgiveness that we feel the power of God’s love.”*

It is apparent that the Queen’s whole life has been underpinned by a deep Christian conviction. I’m particularly struck by the speech that she made on her 21st birthday on 21st April 1947 in a radio broadcast in Cape Town when she was visiting South Africa with her parents and sister.

She spoke about *“not being daunted by anxieties and hardships”* and of the challenges ahead – speaking to a post-war generation who faced huge challenges, but very different ones from ours today.

She continued that a better future lay ahead *“if we all go forward together with an unwavering faith, a high courage, and a quiet heart. To accomplish that, we must give nothing less than the whole of ourselves. There is a motto that has been borne by many of my ancestors – a noble motto, ‘I serve’.”*

And memorably she said, *“I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service...”* But she concluded, *“I shall not have the strength to carry out this resolution alone unless you join in it with me”.*

Finally she asked that *“God help me make good my vow...”* Today we can give thanks to Almighty God that she has fulfilled that vow of life-long service so remarkably. She has been enabled to do this by her faith in God. We, as a nation, have truly been blessed these past 60 years.

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James Campbell

Notice for West Lavington and Littleton Panell residents.

All Saints Church

The Parochial Church Council wishes to remove the front two rows of pews and the single rear row of pews. Before applying to the diocese to do this the PCC wishes to obtain the views of the residents of the parish.

The reason for removing the front pews is to make better and wider use of the church by having sufficient room to hold musical and theatrical presentations, parish and benefice activities and so on. At present this is not practical. The existing carved front pew will be used to replace the third pew. Thus only two pews are being removed at the front of the nave.

The reason for removing the rear pew is to make more room during funerals for the entry and removal of either a coffin or the bier carrying a coffin. At the moment coffins have to go through the bell tower entrance. Also it will give much more circulation space for general use of the church, particularly for weddings and for the exit of the congregation.

You are invited to visit the church, view what is proposed and state your preference on the form beside the South entrance door.

Bob Giles and Bonnie Matters, Churchwardens.

A LETTER FROM REV'D ANN COCKING

I really do not know how to start to thank everyone for such a marvellous 'send-off' on Sunday, 29th April. It was a day that I had in a way been dreading – I really didn't want to feel 'retired', but in the end I had to accept that it was sensible. What a good day we had both for my retirement and to celebrate the 10th Anniversary of the Benefice: it was so joyous and spiritual. Thank you to all of you who turned out in such dismal weather.

A particular thank you for my retirement gifts; I was overwhelmed by your generosity. The money will be put to good use – I plan to make a 'wish list' and then choose. It was also very thoughtful to give me the Art gift voucher; as I have painted for many years, many of my art materials, paints and general resources need to be renewed and I will enjoy doing that. And of course I still have the 'photo-shoot' to look forward to.

Our local communities are very special and it has been a privilege to be amongst, and part of, your lives for so many years – and I look forward to many more to come.

ANN

JAZZ EVENING POSTPONED

The Jazz Evening by **Nicola Farnon**, which was to be held at the Community Hall, Market Lavington on 10th June has been postponed. The Committee felt that attendance would be affected by and at the George Baker Memorial Concert at Lavington School on the same day and Nicola is happy to come at an alternative time, yet to be arranged. We apologize for any disappointment that may be felt or inconvenience caused by this decision. Please look out for details of the return of this popular, entertaining and talented performer. Beth Warren on behalf of the Community Hall Entertainments Committee.

CANCER RESEARCH UK ANNUAL COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 12th May

At the above event, the sum made, including donations, was £1,110.00.

Thank you to all those who helped with this event and to those of you who attended or made a donation to make this a successful fund raising.

Mary Diccox, Area Volunteer Organiser.

CHRISTIAN AID COFFEE MORNING

Henrietta and Jeannie would like to thank everyone who came, had a stall, or helped with our Coffee Morning. We raised £512.84p, which is a wonderful result.

Thank you all so much for making it such a happy and successful occasion.

LAVINGTON & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

At the June meeting, which will be held on June 29th at 7.15 p.m. in West Lavington Village Hall, Mrs A Peterson will talk on *Companion Planting*. The subject of this month's competition will be a plate of New Potatoes.

ALZHEIMER'S SOCIETY Fundraising events on Monday 4th June

Ted's Jubilee Walk
Starting at 10am, a 3 3/4 mile, 2hour walk from The Market Place to the Green Dragon, via Broadwell, Periwinkle Pond, Stibb Hill, The Plain beyond the red flags, The Vedette and Lavington Hill.

Hog Roast
Come to The Green Dragon for a fundraising Hog Roast.
Starting at 12.30pm.

From the Rectory

What's On this month

EDITOR'S NOTES

We are delighted to report that someone, seeing our notice in the last issue, has reclaimed their missing ferret. This is reassuring, not only for the owner and the ferret but also for me as it shows that somebody reads News and Views.

Our apologies for the error as to the date on the cover page of the last issue, and our thanks to the many readers who either failed to notice it or were too tactful to mention it.

The blossom on this issue is different from that on its predecessor. If you don't recognize it the answer will be found just after the magazine dates for next month.

A reminder to contributors that there is no issue of News and Views in August and that notices for that month should appear in our July edition.

JUBILEE EVENT

4th JUNE 2012

Village Care and Link in association with WL Parish Council

Please call in to the Village Awareness day some time during the afternoon of Monday 4th June in the village Hall, West Lavington. There will be free teas and stalls from all the Village Organisations. For the children there will be TWO Punch and Judy shows at 2.30 and at 3.30, together with a bouncy castle (courtesy of the Youth Club) and an inflatable adventure course. At 4 p.m. there will be entertainment from Ann Walker and Friends.

Michael Page

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GREAT CHEVERELL EVENTS

It's back – once again. **The Soapbox Derby** in all its shining glory is here to brighten your August bank holiday. This year it's going to be the Soapbox in its purest form. The event starting from 4.30 p.m. and centred around The Bell, who will be providing a BBQ during the day and a hog roast to complement the Beer Fest and bands during the evening. The Committee is keen that we have as many entrants as possible to ensure the day is a success. Not to teach your granny to suck clichés, but you've got to be in it to win it, and there are some pretty fine trophies awaiting your team to join the illustrious ranks of previous winners. If you think you, your family and friends would like to join in, entry forms are available from Cheverell Stores and The Bell.

However, the Soapbox Committee is not content to just organise the event of the calendar there are a number of other dates for your diary:

There is no Glastonbury this year. Therefore, despite holding our own successful music festival last year, the Committee has stepped into the breach and organised **Mini Party@ the Pavilion – 30th June, 5pm** – exactly what it says on the box – following the village fete; seven bands, BBQ, and bar – camping optional. The headlining act is *Bitter & Twisted*, plus old favourites such as *The Cheverellites*, *Year of the Thief* and *Jamie Coupe*.

November Ball – 3rd November

At Dauntsey's School Memorial Hall. A refined evening with live entertainment from Soul Solution and Garry J Foley, the compère, is comedian Jed Stone (as seen on TV). Tickets £30. Further information will be available shortly when tickets will be on sale.

These events are for charity and this year the Committee decided upon Wiltshire Air Ambulance simply because a resident needed use of it during the last year. We also decided to keep it local with Dorothy House Hospice. The November Ball is supporting men's cancer as we have supported breast cancer in previous years.

ROADWORKS!

I write to update you of carriageway resurfacing works programmed on High Street Littleton Panell and Church Street West Lavington.

Owing to the nature of the works and the local environment, works are programmed to be undertaken within two separate types for traffic management;

Daytime works 09:30 to 15:30 (2 Way Stop & Go with a Convoy System)

- Monday 18 to Tuesday 19 June

Evening works 19:00 to midnight (Temporary Road Closure)

- Thursday 7 to Friday 8 June
- Monday 11 to Friday 15 June

The Surfacing Contractor will endeavour to work to the hours above; however a slight delay in completion may be experienced due to unforeseen circumstances, such as late delivery of material.

Dedicated Traffic Management operatives at the extent of the works will monitor access and give motorists assistance. Please appreciate that these people are there to look after the safety of the travelling public and the safety of the workforce.

I trust you will find the above useful and should you require any further information or have any concerns, please do not hesitate to contact me at duncan.priddle@mouchel.com or on telephone number 01225 779870.

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HOW TO CELEBRATE BEING 100

(Never mind the Units!)

I am glad to pass this letter on to anyone who was kind enough to send a card to Peggie Hoffman on her 100th birthday last week. As can be seen from her letter she has retained her enjoyment of life and her sense of humour. (Jim Hodges)

This is to say a big thank you for all of the lovely presents and cards that I received on my 100th birthday. I was overwhelmed by the number of people who remembered this special date and, in total, I received over sixty cards, including one from the Queen and a telegram from The Right Hon. Iain Duncan Smith.

All the family came over from South Africa (Brian and Delia with children and great-grandchildren) and I celebrated the day here in Cornwall with Barbara, her family, Helen and Jackie. We started off with a champagne breakfast, followed by two hours of present opening, a splendid lunch out at a private venue (beautifully decorated by the grandchildren), followed by more champagne and a delicious cake with 100 candles (I didn't have enough puff to blow them all out, so the great-grandchildren helped – fire extinguishers at the ready), and then more champagne for supper.... Arthur would have approved.

All in all it was a memorable birthday and I was thrilled to hear from so many friends.

WEST LAVINGTON YOUTH CLUB

Once again can I please remind you about **A CONCERT FOR GEORGE**. This will be a marvellous tribute to a wonderful man who did so much for our young people. The Concert will take place on Sunday 10th June, 4.30 p.m. at Lavington School and will be full of The Stars from the West End Musicals. Tickets are still available from Reading Matters and Devizes Books, or by telephoning Michael May on 01380 812574.

An update on our new Junior Youth Club; it has been a roaring success with a super bunch of 7 - 11 year olds, thoroughly enjoying themselves, in a safe environment.

And a reminder that we are open 4 evenings a week:

Monday	George Baker Youth Centre. members up to 14 years old
Tuesday	George Baker Youth Centre. members 7-11 years old
Wednesday	George Baker Youth Centre. members up to 17 years old
Friday	Market Lavington Old School. members up to 14 years old

We look forward to hearing that you have bought a ticket to the concert. It will be an occasion to remember; bring the family.

Thank you for your continued support.
Eric Freeman – Chairman, The Management
Committee West Lavington Youth Club

LITTLE CHEVERELL PARISH COUNCIL VACANCY

The Parish Council of Little Cheverell has a vacancy for a councillor caused by resignation.

A bye-election to fill the vacancy will be held if within 14 days (not counting Saturdays and Sundays) from 21st May ten electors for the parish give notice in writing claiming such an election to the Returning Officer.

The address of the Returning Officer is:

Dr Carlton Brand, Statutory Returning Officer, Democratic & Members' Services
Wiltshire Council, County Hall, Trowbridge, Wiltshire, BA14 8JN

If no such notice is given the Parish Council will fill the vacancy by co-option.

Liz Read Parish Clerk to Little Cheverell Parish Council
38 Garston, Great Cheverell, Devizes, Wiltshire, SN10 5XU

If you would be interested to know more about the parish council
and the role please contact Liz Read for an informal chat.

TWO CELEBRATORY EVENTS

A 1940's review performed as a show by company B! A drama, comedy, song and dance! A three course meal and a licensed bar. Saturday 23rd June 2012, 7-7:30 sit down! Held by country occasions at Five lanes farm, Potterne, SN10 5PT. Tickets £35.

For tickets and queries phone Teresa Chandler 07970953557 or 01380 725643

Lavington School Reunion! The BIG reunion to celebrate the last 50 years of Lavington school! For all past and present teachers and students! Saturday 21st July 2012, 7 p.m. till late, at Five lanes farm, Potterne, SN10 5PT. Includes buffet, disco and licensed bar! Tickets £5. Tickets available from Devizes book, Potterne post office, School office, Five lanes farm, or phone Teresa Chandler (nee Billet) on 07970 953557.



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IMPORTANT NOTICE
WEST LAVINGTON CHURCH FETE
NEW DATE - SATURDAY 8TH SEPTEMBER
**Due to the number of events already planned for June and
 July this year, it has been decided to postpone the West
 Lavington Church Fete until Saturday 8th September.**
Put the new date in your diary now!

Special request from Mike Page
**Would ticket sellers please continue selling tickets but note that
 the draw will be held at the fete on 8th September 2012.**

GREAT CHEVERELL CHURCH/VILLAGE FETE Saturday 30 June

The Fete will take place at the Pavilion opposite Holy Trinity Primary Academy between 2.00-4.30 p.m. on Saturday 30th June. Everybody looking for a leisurely and enjoyable afternoon will be most welcome to attend.

Attractions include a dog show, helicopter flights (weather permitting), a model railway, numerous stalls and displays, refreshments and a beer tent, all accompanied to the music of the popular Downtown Six jazz band.

Contributions of gifts and donations for sale on the stalls are urgently needed. They should be delivered to the Pavilion before 1.00 p.m. on the day or by arrangement with the stall holders listed below:

Wine Tombola	John Spear	812075
Produce and Plants	Helen Hall	816983
Cakes	Brenda Nock	812086
Books	Lesley Welch	812563
	Wendy Wilshin	813735
Toys	Louise George	816228
Gifts	Sheila Holt	818931
Bottles	Mike Nock	812086
Glass and China	Denyse Boaler	813007
Raffle Prizes	Ian Christie	813940

Please note that the dog show, organised by Katie Reynolds on 07971-968769, will begin at 1.30 p.m..

WILTSHIRE CITIZENS ADVICE

In the current economic climate and with the major changes to the benefit system the demand for our service is ever increasing. Last year we dealt with over 75,000 enquiries from our clients across Wiltshire and we expect this number to rise over the next year.

With this in mind we need to recruit more volunteers for a number of roles within Wiltshire Citizens Advice.

To find out more about the value of volunteering come to one of our open days:

Devizes: Wednesday 13th June 2012 10.30am-12.30pm
New Park Street Devizes Wilts SN10 1DY

Salisbury: Wednesday 13th June 2012 1.00pm – 3.00pm
18 College Street Salisbury Wilts SP1 3AL

Further details:

Email: volunteer@cabwiltshire.org.uk
Web address: www.cabwiltshire.org.uk
Advice: www.adviceguide.org.uk



MONTHLY LOCAL CRAFT AND PRODUCE MARKET

at The Green Dragon, Market Lavington
on second Saturday of every month
10:00am to 1:00pm

In aid of a different charity each month

Lots to buy, including

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Handmade cards and decorations, Textiles

For more information, contact
Steve or Nicky Wragg on 813235

LAVINGTON AND DISTRICT SWIMMING CLUB



Location: DAUNTSEY'S SCHOOL

SUNDAY 5.15pm to 6.45pm,

TUESDAY 7.30pm to 8.30pm

Childrens' Fun with floats–Sunday 5.15pm to 6.00pm,

Lane swimming available every session

FEES: £55 PER TERM FOR A FAMILY (£2.75 per swim)

£27.50 PER TERM FOR AN INDIVIDUAL (£1.40 per swim)

Summer Term starts TUESDAY 24th April

& ends Sunday 8th July, 2012

(20 SWIMMING SESSIONS)

Half Term Closure:

Sun 3rd June and Tuesday 5th June

Guest Fees: ADULTS:- £3.00

CHILDREN:- £1.50 per session

For Further details:

Stephen Read, 22 Canada Rise, Market Lavington.

Tel; 01380 816280.

Email; indulge.two@googlemail.com

If you fancy a "taster" swim, please phone Stephen Read, Membership Secretary or Margaret Clarke, Committee Secretary tel 01380 818435, e-mail: mm.rclarke@btinternet.com for details about joining.

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A MESSAGE FROM RICHARD GAMBLE
Wiltshire Councillor for The Lavingtons & Erlestoke Division

I write about gender issues with due caution, possibly because of my gender. Quite early in my life my older sister firmly instructed me that Women's Liberation (as it was then called) was an important matter, although I was never quite sure why such an assertive person should expect any difficulty in making her way in the world. But it was true. Half a century ago, few women rose to prominence in business or public life.

Many years on, things have changed, at least here in Wiltshire. Jane Scott fully deserves her position as Top Dog among the councillors. Christine Crisp is now Chairman of the Council with responsibility for greeting Royalty when they are visiting the county and for ensuring that Council meetings are conducted with due order and expediency. At the top of the professional team, two of the three Corporate Directors are women.

Locally too, the female of the species is centre stage. Sue Evans has been an excellent mayor of Devizes. Laura Mayes ably chairs the Devizes Area Board, with Jane Burton as vice-chairman. And Claire Perry is the first woman to become Member of Parliament for Devizes in the long history that extends back to 1295 (although the earliest name I could find is Richard Gobet of Rowde, elected in 1382).

The change in the role of women that has taken place in my lifetime is, in my view, wholly good. Our community and our country would be a poorer place were it not for these able ladies.

Of course, there is one prominent position in this country that has periodically been held by women to great acclaim across the centuries. I refer to the monarchy. Queen Elizabeth I successfully navigated turbulent times, reigning for 45 years nearly half a millennium ago. Queen Anne brought about the Act of Union with Scotland and was perceptive enough to appoint the Duke of Marlborough as Captain-General of the army, who went on to win one of England's great victories over the French at Blenheim in 1704. Queen Victoria reigned for a record 63 years and 7 months, the figurehead of the greatest empire the world has ever known.

And now, we are celebrating the Diamond Jubilee of a great female monarch of our own time, Queen Elizabeth II. Others will extol her virtues and will judge her contribution to history with more eloquence and learning than I can muster. But I hope you agree that, in her position at the front of the Monstrous Regiment, she has done a pretty impressive job!

You may contact me about this or any other matter on

richard.gamble@wiltshire.gov.uk
or by phone on 07762 018209

WEST LAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

With the Annual Parish Meeting fast approaching on May 25th, my report to you this month will be brief.

We have had reports of break-ins to sheds in Littleton Pannell, so may I remind you to lock your sheds, garages and oil tanks, and to please report anything or anyone that seems suspicious.

The council is purchasing two Jubilee benches to be sited on the Recreation Ground. Let us hope we get the weather to use them; either to watch the football, or admire the beautiful views. I doubt they will arrive in time for our Jubilee celebrations, but we hope that it will be soon after.

I have had several people stop me to say how pleased they are with the way the road works are progressing. I realise June will bring further disruption with the laying of the new road surface, but I do know the contractors will do all they can to minimise any chaos and confusion.

Liz Evans, Chair (01380 813929) esevans@hotmail.com
West Lavington Website; The website is **www.westlavington.info**. The site is full of local news and links to many organizations, both local and County wide.

CHEVERELL MAGNA PARISH COUNCIL

TRAFFIC ISSUES

We are awaiting formal decisions by Wiltshire Council on two important traffic issues: a new diversionary route for heavy goods vehicles (HGVs) and the outcome of the 20 mph trial.

HGVs: The result of the public consultation exercise on the diversion of over-height HGVs should be known in early June. Wiltshire Council will decide between Option 1: 'to maintain the current diversion by the A342, A345 and A303' and Option 2: 'to revert to the original diversion through Great Cheverell.'

Cheverell Magna Parish Council submitted a report using traffic data and photographs to argue that the C40 road through this village is a totally unsuitable route for HGVs. Many residents also wrote individually to support Option 1 and the Great Cheverell case. Thank you for taking the time and for the many excellent letters you sent! We very much hope that this combined effort will produce a positive outcome for Great Cheverell and surrounding villages. Whatever the outcome, the Parish Council will continue to campaign to get high-sided HGVs diverted away from this village. Our ultimate aim, once another diversionary route is in place, is to obtain a weight restriction (7.5 tonne except for access) to further reduce the volume of HGVs through Great Cheverell.

20 mph trial: A 20 mph experimental limit has been in place for about 12 months during which time 3 sets of speed data have been collected. Overall, the results are positive with the biggest reduction by the school (5.5 mph) and an average reduction along the High Street of 2.4 mph. These are small, but significant speed reductions, achieved without expensive traffic calming measures. Again, thank you for actively supporting the campaign to reduce speeds through Great Cheverell. Some drivers are still speeding, however, especially by the school (average 28.4 mph) and on straight stretches of the High Street. We hope to get a Permanent Traffic Regulation Order and then plan to set up a Community Speedwatch Scheme in conjunction with the police to tackle all speeding.

BUT WE STILL NEED YOUR HELP!

Wiltshire Council will shortly be sending Great Cheverell residents a questionnaire to obtain the views of the community. If you want to keep a 20 mph limit, please state this very clearly under 'Further Comments'. Note also the positive effects of a reduced speed limit, rather than the problem of enforcing it with the 'rat run' drivers. Thank you!

Diamond Jubilee Celebrations – Monday, 2pm 4th June, New Pavilion: By the time you read this the great day will nearly be upon us – so do come along and join in the fun!

See you there!

Val Noviss, Parish Clerk (01380 813227)

cheverellmagna@hotmail.co.uk

Website: www.greatcheverell.org



LAVINGTON PRE-SCHOOL

During the month of April we have dodged the showers and been busy preparing for the Jubilee. The children have drawn portraits of the Queen. These are on display in our entrance hall but we will be posting them off to Buckingham Palace for the Queen to see. The children have also enjoyed colouring our Union Jacks which we are going to make into bunting when we join in with Dauntsey's Aided Primary School for their Jubilee Picnic and celebrations. We have also decorated our classroom with the children's wishing balloons. The children coloured in a balloon and we attached their wishes to them.

On behalf of the staff, committee members and pre-school families, we would like to say a big **THANK YOU** to everyone who has supported our fundraising during April. We have now collected in our Trike Ride sponsor money and we raised an amazing £601. We had all your old textiles collected and we received a cheque for £109. Lastly our Back-To-School Disco was a great success. Many families from pre-school and the village attended our disco. Most people came in fancy-dress and a great night was had by all. Not only did we have a great night out but we raised £550. All the money raised will help us re-design our back garden.

For any further information, please contact Vici Knott, Pre-school Supervisor on: (07730) 285998.



Dauntsey's Aided Primary School

Dauntsey's Aided Primary School celebrates the Diamond Jubilee

On Friday 1st June Dauntsey's Aided Primary School are celebrating the Queen's Diamond Jubilee. If you are able to help or support our jubilee celebrations either with first hand memories of the Coronation, Golden or Silver Jubilee or have any memorabilia to share with our children please contact Mrs Wiltshire here at school on 01380 – 813373.

The school is running an open afternoon showcasing our Artsweek on Friday 1st June from 1.30 p.m. If you would like to visit the school to view our learning or join in with the Jubilee Celebrations do not hesitate to contact Ms Tietz to find out more information.

Michel Tietz, School Business Manager
Dauntsey's Aided Primary School Tel: 01380 813373



HOLY TRINITY CE PRIMARY ACADEMY

Our Year 6 children have completed their SATS tests – externally set and externally marked assessments on their academic progress. We always do outstandingly well in these tests and are very proud of the commitment and hard work that our children give to their learning. But we are just as proud of all their other achievements and the fact that they leave our school as people of integrity, generosity and compassion. The Christian ethos that is the foundation of all that we do here supports this aspect of learning and our links with the local churches are strong and very valuable. Whilst we work very hard on academic subjects here, that is not all we do – our happy, engaged and beautifully behaved children are the result of a broad curriculum filled with great opportunities to grow and develop in all sorts of ways.

We are looking forward to a lovely term of work through the theme of Olympics, with a visit to Bath University to have coaching in the facilities used by the Olympians and Paralympians who are training there. We are also lucky enough to have an Olympic torch bearer coming to our school with his torch and some previous winners of Olympic medals coming to talk to our children.

Our youngest children recently had a trip to Salisbury to do some cooking and returned with couscous and chicken and lovely stories of their day out. Their playground is now being decorated for the Jubilee celebrations, with blue, red and white ribbons festooning their outdoor area and lots of activities to do with our wonderful country happening. The whole school will have a “Jubilee Day” on the last day of term which we are all looking forward to.



At our meeting on Monday, 14th May, along with some welcome guests, we were entertained by Caroline Spindlow, Headteacher at St Peter's School, Marlborough who came to speak on the

subject of *Bringing Christianity to the Classroom*. She spoke on the many changes that have taken place in the classroom over the years, with such issues as the growth of technology, the pressure of government targets, and multiculturalism. As a Church of England School school, St Peter's has a Christian ethos which underpins everything, although the school roll is to a certain extent mixed, with some Hindu and Muslim pupils. Nevertheless, while being secular, Christian principles must be upheld by all.

As a teacher and practising Christian, Caroline was immensely informative and inspiring on this much-debated and, at times, divisive issue – i.e. the role of Christianity in a modern, multi-cultural British Society and how it plays out in the classroom.

The next meeting will be on Monday, 11th June at 2.15 p.m. in the Vicarage when we shall examine our commitments to the Fete, now postponed to September.

Janet Hodges

BOOKMARK

Lynda Wearne kindly offered to host our May session to enable us to watch Harold Pinter's DVD version of our May read, *The Pumpkin Eater* by Penelope Mortimer. This was a wonderful evening of 1960's nostalgia, starring Anne Bancroft, Peter Finch and James Mason. And not surprisingly, several now well-known faces cropped up in their younger image. Hence, there was quite a lot of: 'Isn't that ...?' 'No, but wasn't she in?' 'Yes, now - what was the series called?' happening down the Green that evening! And the scenes of décor and fashion, viewed in black and white, made memorable distractions. Everyone enjoyed the film; even those who questioned the book, especially the ambiguous end paragraph – and all those children!



We also found time to review Linda Grant's *We Had it so Good*. I hope we didn't outstay our welcome? Everyone felt connected with this novel, which examined what happened when the baby-boomer generation hit middle-age. It was deemed neither an attack nor defence on the 1960's generation and a recommended read to conclude our evening of reminiscence - in which two group members shared their promising news.

Our thanks to Lynda for her hospitality on this occasion and we're back in the village hall on Wednesday, 6th June. The books under discussion will be *The Proof of Love* by Catherine Hall and *Solace* by Belinda McKeen.

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'The Badgers'

Annual Fun and Presentation Day – as previously announced this will be held on Saturday 16th June at the Great Cheverell Pavilion. The format is slightly different this year, with the event starting around 4.00 p.m., with presentations around 5.30 p.m. followed by various events throughout the evening: with music/ local bands, and with food and drink available. Similar to last year there will be camping available overnight – so please inform your Manager in advance on attendance for our planning purposes.

Cup updates:

U11s played their Cup Final at Chippenham Town FC in early May, against Melksham United 'A'. The Badgers did not start too well, but a couple of great saves from James Black kept the team in the game. Melksham continued to press and did take the lead after 20 minutes. Some excellent defending by Simon Gale meant a tight battle continued with both teams pressing forward. It was however, when the Badgers started to take risks in going forward that the opponents added two late goals despite the heroics of the defence and goalkeeper. A great day's experience for the boys – well done.

Both the U11 team and Under 8 have been selected to play in the Mid Wilts League Fair Play award exhibition match. This is due a fantastic display of sportsmanship through the season. The Under 8 team will play Melksham United, and Under 11s will play Trowbridge Town Youth

Other news:

With the Season now coming to a close, the Club in most age groups are seeking **new members for next season**, for which we would encourage you to contact the relevant age group coach whose contact details appear on the club website.

The current U14 age group (and next years U15), are seeking a coach for next season. As with many aspects to this local Club, this is on a voluntary basis, for the benefit of the children. Without such voluntary support the Club and teams would not survive.

<http://www.wortonandcheverellfc.co.uk>

Steve Dagnall 01380-727976

WEST LAVINGTON TWINNING ASSOCIATION



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We are all looking forward to the visit from our French Friends on the weekend of 22nd June when we shall have 30 visitors.

On the Saturday evening we are having Scottish country dancing. There is a strong link between St Pierre and Scotland since the three airmen shot down over the village during World War II were from Scotland. Their graves are in the St Pierre.

To join the West Lavington Twinning Association please email Malcolm Johnson on blocker38@hotmail.com or phone

Michael Page, Secretary

THE CHEVERELLS GARDEN CLUB

Busy times at 'The Cheverells' Garden Club' in May

We began with the planting up of a second flowerbed at Erlestoke Prison on a ghastly Saturday morning when it poured with rain. This time the plants available were greatly augmented by those grown by the prisoners in the poly tunnels which club members had visited the previous summer.

Then, on Tuesday May 8th Lyn Miles came to talk about *Growing from Seed*. Lyn pointed out that growing from seed is all about trial and error- even she as an experienced plantswoman has trays which never germinate, even though she follows the packet directions. She stressed the importance of a good quality seed compost; used compost or garden soil mix just won't do. Then to follow the directions on the packet, as all seeds require different growing conditions, e.g. temperature, light, depth of soil coverage - the smaller the seed the less it needs to cover. Damp the compost first, spread seed, cover according to size, then leave. Don't overwater.

Lyn finished her Talk with a few slides of her garden in Boscombe, which is open at certain times between Feb and May and is in the Yellow Book,. She has collections of hellebores, pulmonarias, grasses and other unusual plants. She suggested we visit - people often visit nearby Longstock Water Gardens, then hers and her friend's in the same village plus 'scrummy teas'. The Garden Club Committee is thinking about arranging a visit for next year's programme.

Finally on Saturday May 19th the club held it's annual plant sale in Great Cheverell Village Hall and in spite of the rather slow growing conditions this year there was a fantastic show of plants to buy and some delicious cakes and biscuits to enjoy when taking a well earned rest during the morning.

Cakes and plants were all donated and the event took £248 so a very successful morning.

Next month, on Tuesday June 12th, there will be a guided tour of Great Cheverell churchyard entitled *Flora and Fauna in a churchyard* led by **Ivan Randall**, Chief Adviser, Wiltshire Living Churchyard Project

For this meeting we shall meet in the churchyard at 7.15 p.m. for 7.30. Visitors are very welcome for a charge of £2 for the evening.



WEST LAVINGTON WI

The Wiltshire Federation of WI's Jubilee garden party will be held at Rowdeford School on June 7th from 2 – 5 p.m. Entry tickets will be £5 on the day, or £4 if ordered in advance – enquiries to Diane McLaren on 01793 710759. New Speakers Day will be held at Burford Village Hall on June 21st and Quizzical Pursuits will take place on June 27th covering several venues. West Lavington WI is sending two teams of three to compete at Clarendon College, Trowbridge. For tickets or further enquires on these two events, please ring 01380 739340.

Last month Pauline Hawkins kindly visited the Giles Room to talk to us about The Eden Project, Lost Gardens of Heligan and a Devizes Balloon flight. On 14th of this month, Hazel Gillingham will speak on Octavia Hill – The National Trust and more.

The West Lavington WI welcomes new members; contact our president, Janet Stamp on 01380 818370

Hild Marrow



FUNERALS

Our thoughts and prayers are with all who have recently been bereaved.

Antony "Tony" Clifford BROMFIELD of Market Lavington died on 9th April, age 82 years. Cremation at Semington was followed by a Memorial Service at St Mary's Church, Market Lavington on 26th April 2012.

Elizabeth "Betty" Anne SMITH of West Lavington died on 25th April aged 70 years. A service at All Saints' Church on 9th May 2012, was followed by burial in the churchyard.

Dorothy Gwendoline GIBBS died on 28th April aged 99 years. A service was held at Semington Crematorium on 10th May 2012.

TRINITY CHURCH

Meeting Sundays at 10.30 a.m. at Market Lavington Community Hall
3rd June 10.00 am Jubilee Service (on the Green weather permitting)
10th June 11.00 am United Service at St Barnabas Church, Easterton
17th June Mrs Grace Mortimer
24th June Rev Chris Cory Holy Communion

Tots@Ten Wednesday 13th June, 10 a.m. in the Furminger Room at the Community Hall. New mums and preschoolers very welcome. Fun, Friendly and a story about Jesus.

Saturday 16th June Film Night 7.30 p.m. The Artist at the Community Hall. Tickets £5 on the door or in advance from Market Lavington Post Office.

BENEFICE 200 CLUB

The May draw was done by Pat Hale of Market Lavington. The winner of the £40 prize was Anji Scofield of West Lavington; and of the £20 prize was Anne Christie of Great Cheverell.

**Quentin Goggs,
Administrator of the 200 Club**

EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH

Jubilee

I well remember the Queen's Silver Jubilee celebrations back in 1977. I must have been around 11 years of age. It was a whirl of street parties, school concerts and bunting. Lots of bunting. Somewhere or other I've still got the Silver Jubilee mug that I was given at school. It doesn't seem all that long ago and it is difficult to believe that this year marks the 60th anniversary of the reign of Queen Elizabeth II. Special celebrations to mark the event will take place on Jubilee Weekend, 2-5 June. At Ebenezer Baptist Church we'll be having Jubilee Thanksgiving Services on Sunday 3rd June at 11am & 6pm, to which all are welcome. You'll also find us at West Lavington's Jubilee Celebration on Bank Holiday Monday.

The very idea of 'jubilee' is rooted in the Old Testament Scriptures. God commanded the people of Israel that every 50 years all slaves should be set free. Property that had been sold by the poor to make ends meet had to be returned to them. That way no one lost out on their inheritance in the Promised Land. You'll find the low-down in Leviticus 25 if you fancy a bit of Bible study. Jesus' very first public sermon made reference to the year of jubilee. As recorded in Luke 4:18-20, He quoted from the Prophecy of Isaiah,

"The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to proclaim good news to the poor.
He has sent me to proclaim liberty to the captives
and recovering of sight to the blind,
to set at liberty those who are oppressed,
to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour."

Then Jesus said, "Today this Scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing." The longed for jubilee had arrived. Jesus came to set us free from sin by his death on the cross. He rose again from the dead so that those who hope in him may inherit eternal life. In her most recent Christmas message Her Majesty the Queen spoke of the King of kings, "God sent into the world a unique person - neither a philosopher nor a general, important though they are, but a Saviour, with the power to forgive." In the National Anthem we sing, "God save our gracious Queen", but the good news is that *whoever* calls upon the name of the Lord will be saved.

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