# News and Views November 2012

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	Calendar of Services in the Lavingtons, Cheverells & Easterton November 2012						
Date	Market Lavington	West Lavington	Easterton	Great Cheverell	Little Cheverell		
4th November 4th before Advent	9.30 am Half Hour *	9.30 am Parish Com- munion for All Saints' Day	11.00 am Parish Communion	9.30 am Simple Celebration of Communion	11.00 Matins (BCP)		
11th November Remembrance Sunday	10.45 am In Church	10.45 am In Church	10.45 am In Church	6.00 pm In Church	12.15 pm at War Memorial		
18th November 2nd before Advent	9.30 am Parish Communion	8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP) 9.30 a.m. Matins (BCP)	11.00 am Matins (BCP)	9.30 a.m. Welcome to Worship	11.00 a.m. Parish Communion (BCP)		
25th November Christ the King	8.00 a.m. Holy Communion (BCP)	9.30 am Half Hour Service		11.00 am Parish Communion			

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

# VILLAGE CARE West Lavington, Littleton Panell & Little Cheverell TELEPHONE NUMBER IS 816826

# SOME THOUGHTS FROM BOB

How many times have you heard the phrase, 'Sorry I forgot' or 'I can't remember'? I am sure we have all used these words from time to time. Sadly, as we grow older, memory does play tricks on us. We can clearly remember incidents from our schooldays, and yet struggle to remember what happened last week. Does this sound familiar?

This month is the time of year when we are asked to remember. Not what happened last week but what happened a long time ago when Remembrance Day came into being after the Great War of 1914-1918. As we recall the world's sacrifice and loss, the nation sets aside a special day. Armistice Day, the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month.

Subsequent wars have followed since the "war to end all wars" finished in 1918. Twenty years on and the world was again embroiled in global conflict. Subsequent wars followed, some minor, some major, but all tragic events of sacrifice and loss. Our thoughts at this time are with those who have been killed and maimed in the present operations in Afghanistan involving our armed forces. This touches us all; especially the families who have lost loved ones in the past year in the conflict in Afghanistan.

This year Remembrance Day falls on a Sunday; our churches, cenotaphs and village memorials will be thronged with those who will gather to remember all who gave their lives in the service of their country. We will sing together, pray together and remember together. Take a few moments to read Ecclesiastes Chapter 8 Verses 1 -8. Everything has its time.

May I leave you with this thought; Remember the Past.... Live the Present... Look to the Future.

Bob Young LLM, Our Licensed Lay Minister

# ST PETER'S CHURCH, **GREAT CHEVERELL**

A Christmas Bazaar will be held in the Village Hall on Saturday, 19th November, at 2 p.m. Stalls will include: Christmas items, Decorations and Candles, Cakes and Produce, and a Raffle with a Christmas Hamper among the prizes. Teas and Refreshments will be available We made a profit for Church Funds of throughout the afternoon. Anyone wishing to donate further prizes for the Raffle or give new items for the stall should contact Wendy Wilshin (813735) or Terry Froud (812634) or alternatively taken them to the Village Hall after 1 p.m. on the day.

# WEST LAVINGTON **CHURCH PROGRESSIVE** DINNER

Thank you to all who took part in our recent "Progressive Dinner". We had tremendous support from Diners and Hosts and we hope to do it again in the not too distant future.

£682 with which we were delighted.

All Saints Church Social & Fund Raising Committee Lavender Davy (Chairman)

### **Friends of Courtyard** Surgery Christmas Raffle Tickets on-sale from Monday November 5th Winners drawn Sunday December 16th.

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If you have anything you would like to donate as a prize, please drop it into reception at Courtyard Surgery.

# **GREAT CHEVERELL** VILLAGE HALL

There will be a Christmas Bingo in the Hall on Monday 26th November at 7.30p.m. Come and enjoy an evening of entertainment! Donation of prizes will be welcome. Wha

There is a Whist drive every Friday evening at 7.30 p.m in the Village Hall. We always welcome new players and have an ALL NO TRUMPS drive every two months which is very popular.

# A NOTABLE EVENING

Dauntsey's School is proud to invite you to an evening of music on Wednesday 14th November. The theme will be of Remembrance and it will feature the school's choirs and choral society in a performance of Gabriel Fauré's beloved Requiem Mass. Also performing will be Dauntsey's School Orchestra, Concert Band, Percussion Group and Junior Concert Band. Tickets are now available from Dauntsey's School reception or members of the choral society. There is no charge for tickets; a retiring collection will be taken in aid of the

For further information, please contact Dauntsey's School Music Department.

school charity.

### REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY West Lavington Branch of the Royal British Legion

British Legion members will muster in White Street from 10.15 a.m. on Sunday. 11th November, and will then march to All Saints Church at 10.30 a.m. Please feel free to join us if you are a serving member of the Armed Forces or if you are an ex-member. Once again we will be joined by the local Guides.

> Michael Challinor. Chairman. West Lavington Branch, Royal British Legion

# THE BEGGARS OPERA

White Horse Opera perform The Beggar's Opera by John Gay at Devizes Wharf Theatre on Friday 9th November at 7.30 p.m.

This is one of the earliest examples of musical theatre full of well known tunes such as Greensleeves and Over the Hill and Far Away which, before copyright laws came into being, John Gay took and added his own words to produce a very comical if rather naughty opera.

Do come if you want to see Paula Boyagis & Barbara Gompels pulling each other's hair out over a man! Tickets £8 from Devizes Books Tel:01380-725944

# **DUCK STREET FAIR**

The Duck Street Fair at West Lavington was held on 2nd and 3rd October. At the time of print, with donations still coming in for Cancer Research UK and Rowdeford Charity Trust (Hugo Halkes Trust), £3,500 was made. A big thank you to all who supported it and made this Fair so successful. Bo and Anna

# WEST LAVINGTON, **ERLESTOKE &** THE CHEVERELLS POPPY APPEAL

Last year's Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal raised the record amount of £2830.33p.

This year's Appeal begins on Saturday 27th October and runs through to Remembrance Sunday, 11th November this year. Please give generously to our house-to-house collectors and in our local pubs and businesses. Poppy Appeal funds support all servicemen and women, ex-servicemen and women plus • their families. There will be extra stress this year due to force reductions on top of operational commitments.

Thank you in advance for your generosity.

Steve Barr, Poppy Appeal Organiser

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# Are performing a **Concert in ST JOHN'S CHURCH, DEVIZES**

Entrance is FREE and all are invited to attend and hear a performance given by the young gifted players who make up the renowned group of local string-players

### 7.00pm on Wednesday 28th November 2012

Music to be performed by the Leading Notes Orchestra will include Movements from the Holberg Suite by Edward Grieg, Superstrings Hit Parade Medley arranged by Josh Shires and the Double Violin Concerto by Bach. There will also be a short performance by the younger members of the group.

The evening concert will be followed by refreshments. Come along and enjoy the remarkable achievements of our talented young players!

### Come and find the perfect present at our **CHRISTMAS COUNTRY FAIR!** at the

#### MARKET LAVINGTON COMMUNITY HALL on

# **SATURDAY NOVEMBER 10TH**

10am to 2pm Local handmade crafts and produce Over 25 stalls, including: Prints and Paintings, Jewellery, Candles, Toys, **Dolls, Textiles, Hats and Bags** Woodcrafts, Glass Crafts, Cakes, Preserves, Confectionery, Organic produce and savouries, Christmas décor, Cards and lots more! Tea, coffee, cakes and sandwiches served on the day! Tombola and donations in aid of to The Soldiers' Charity (The Army Benevolent Fund) FREE ENTRY!

For more details, or to book a stall, please contact Sue Bonney on 01380 812757 or email thebonneys@waitrose.com

### **'A CELEBRATION OF CHRISTMAS' 12TH DECEMBER 2012 AT EDINGTON PRIORY CHURCH** IN SUPPORT OF THE FRIENDS OF ERLESTOKE PRISON CHARITY

Please join us for a *Celebration of Christmas* with the Dauntsey's Choral Society and the Bratton Silver Band at the beautiful Edington Priory Church, kindly sponsored by Hiscox. The programme will include readings by Sarah Troughton (Lord Lieutenant of Wiltshire), John Bush (Patron, the Friends of Erlestoke Prison), Andy Rogers (Governor of HMP Erlestoke and HMP Shepton Mallet) and Robert Hiscox (Chairman, Hiscox).

Doors open at 6.30 p.m. and the programme starts at 7.00 p.m. Entrance is £10 per adult and children are free. Disabled parking available. There will be mulled wine and mince pies at the end of the evening.

Please come, enjoy the music and readings whilst supporting the Friends of Erlestoke Prison. We are a newly registered charity, established to support the rehabilitation and resettlement of prisoners at HMP Erlestoke. The charity partners with the prison in our work to reduce reoffending rates and will fund/support projects to assist prisoners in:

- · Maintaining and building relationships with their partners and children
- Finding education and work opportunities
- Ensuring that they have somewhere to call home when they leave prison •
- Preparing themselves for release and a return to life without offending

Please visit www.friendsoferlestokeprison.com to download a ticket order form or write to the Friends at the address below with the number of tickets required. payment (cheque made out to the Friends of Erlestoke Prison) and an SAE so we can send the tickets to you. Please also let us know if you need disabled parking.

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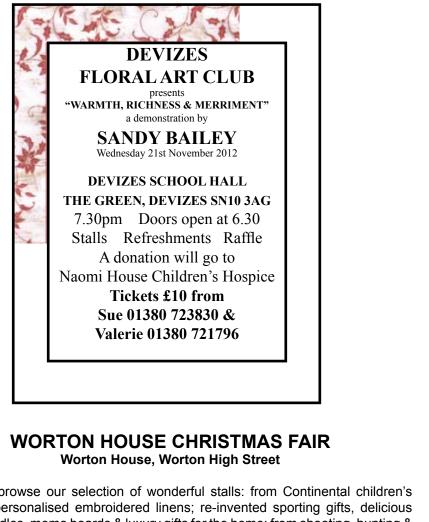
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Come and browse our selection of wonderful stalls: from Continental children's clothes to personalised embroidered linens; re-invented sporting gifts, delicious scented candles, memo boards & luxury gifts for the home; from shooting, hunting & fishing antiques to porcelain, silver & a selection of country paintings & engravings; & jocks in kilts cooking sausages in a tent.

MONDAY 19th NOVEMBER, 6-9pm, Gent's Shopping Evening (Ladies welcome too, of course) £3 entry – the solution to your Christmas shopping worries; entry includes a glass of wine/gluhwein to ease the pain!

**TUESDAY 20th NOVEMBER, 10am-2pm, £2 entry** – the chaps can be hard to buy for too, so we hope you'll enjoy the hunt & find a beautifully handmade gift or a truly 'Unique Antique'.

In aid of Action on Addiction and The Army Benevolent Fund.



Replacing your washing machine, dryer, fridge or electric cooker? Please donate your old machines to us so we can refurbish them for families in need. Wiltshire-wide collection and delivery service.

### Call us on (01380) 720200,

Or visit our showroom at Hopton Park, Devizes					
www.refurbiz.org	Registered Charity Number 1107150				

# EDITOR'S NOTES A Farewell To Derek

By the time you read this, Derek Cook. who has served this area by his distribution of newspapers to our homes for many years, will have retired. The business is to be taken over by Rachel and Simon Bartlett, trading as SMC News, 338 Welcombe Avenue, Swindon SN3 2PB (01793 320542 or 01380 840724, the existing telephone). The conditions of delivery and payment will for the time being remain the same. Details will doubtless be sent to all customers when the new owners take over.

Our best wishes to Derek on his retirement and our gratitude for his unfailing service. It is hoped that the admirable people who have served us so well in braving all conditions to deliver to our homes will continue under the new regime.

# **Remember December**

Regular contributors are reminded that reports etc. in the December issue should also cover the month of January. Even printers have a Christmas/New Year break, not mention those who deliver *News and Views* to your door.

# LOCAL CHANGES AND ADDITIONS

### At The Churchill Arms

The Carvery is back on. We are using locally sourced, Walter Rose meat from Devizes. Choose from Pork, Beef or Ham with all the trimmings at £9.50 per head. Food is served from 12-3 for the Carvery and until 6 p.m. from the main menu. The Churchill Arms Pub Quiz is also back. Now taking place on a Monday at 9 p.m. Come along and challenge yourself on topics such as TV, sport and film whilst having a blast with the rest of the locals. Cash prize to be won each week. Monthly themed events. Please contact us for more details. Mick Mullin

### At The Bridge (813213)

Homemade, locally sourced, British Food Tues-Sat 12-2.30, 6.30-9, Sunday 12-6.30 Now serving Weekend Brunch and Coffee from 10-12 Open All Day for Drinks Saturday and Sunday £10 Midweek Specials Tues - Fish and Chips Wed – Steak and Chips

# WEST LAVINGTON YOUTH CLUB

The end of September saw our 24 hour camping session. The day started early for Adam and me erecting the main tent and gazebo in Sue and Rob's paddock ready for the arrival of the Youth Club members. The event included fun and games, BBQ lunch, dinner and next morning breakfast. One of the real highlights was a demonstration of aluminium casting by Toby Robson, with plenty of sparks from the furnace. Toby showed the members how to create the moulds and each member was able produce their own memento to take home.

They all had a great time and comments were heard 'I want to stay here for ever!' and ' Can we do it again next week'. Thanks to Holly and Adam for giving up so much of their weekend. and of course to Sue & Rob for the use of their paddock; and they said we could go again!

We are all now looking forward to the Ghost Walk in Devizes, and the younger members 12 hour Halloween sleep over! ALL VERY SCARY!!!! We will report on these in the December issue,

Once again I would say if you are not yet a member you are missing out on some great experiences. Come and join in the fun at the Youth Club in West Lavington and Market Lavington.

Monday: 7pm - 9pm Tuesday: 6pm - 7.30 pm Wednesday: 7pm - 9pm Friday: 7pm - 9pm Seniors at West Lavington Younger Members at West Lavington Seniors at West Lavington Seniors at Market Lavington

Eric Freeman – Chairman, The Management Committee West Lavington Youth Club

# IN CASE YOU HAVE FORGOTTEN

December 25th is not just Christmas Day It is also the day when West Lavington's COSTCUTTER is open from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Therefore no last minutes emergencies!



West Lavington Clothing Repairs & Alterations Tel: 07891 159892



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Additional abilities include strong writing skills, report writing, articles and/or press-releases as well as data-entry and research. Previous office experience includes administration, web-content (editorial) and business analysis.

Ability to work from home (with previous experience of home working). Skills would suit local administrative or office based roles. Please note I am not looking for commission based or doorto-door sales opportunities. CV available if requested.

Please call (or text): 07874223685.

# ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

We would like to thank everyone who kindly sent cards and letters of sympathy on the sudden death of Pat Hayter on the 6th September, 2012. They were very much appreciated by us all.

June, Dennis, Helen and families

### Seeking Local Opportunities BSc (Hons) Business Information Technology

Currently available and looking for parttime or full-time employment on a local basis (sixteen hours per week or more). Highly proficient with most Microsoft (MS) applications, along with a good understanding of MS Excel and Access.

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# **101 - POLICE NOTICE**

The 101 non-emergency number was launched in Wiltshire last September (2011) as part of the national roll-out.

Our 0845 408 7000 contact number has been running alongside this number with approximately 40% of calls still coming in via this route, however, 0845 408 7000 ceased operation on 30 September 2012.

### When should callers use 101?

The 101 national number gives local communities an easy way to contact police - when it's less urgent than 999.

### In a non-emergency dial 101 if:

- you want to report a crime/issue that does not require an immediate emergency response
- you or someone else are not in immediate danger
- · you would like to speak to your local police officer
- · you want to provide information about a crime

# It is important to reiterate that 999 is still the number when you want to contact the police in an emergency, such as:

- you need an immediate response because a crime is in progress or you think it is
- · you or someone else is injured or there is a threat to life
- · a serious road traffic collision has taken place
- · violence is being used or threatened

### How does 101 work?

101 will be available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.

When someone calls 101, they will hear a recorded message announcing that they are being connected to their local police force. The system will determine the caller's location and connect them to the relevant police force.

If a caller is on a boundary between two or more forces, the recorded message will give them a choice of which force to be connected to.

After a pause of approximately four seconds, the message will also give the caller the option to select an alternative police force of their choice via an operator.

### What will happen to the current 0845 408 7000 number?

The 0845 number ceased on 30 September 2012. A recorded message asks people to re-dial 101.

### Can people who are deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired, use 101?

People who are deaf, hard of hearing or speech impaired can text-phone 18001 101. In an emergency, you can text 80999 from any phone.

### Is it more expensive for the public to contact the police on 101?

Individual telephony companies currently decide on the cost of dialling an 0845 number so it depends on the contract/supplier opted for.

With 101 it has been nationally agreed that a flat rate of 15p will be charged whether a member of the public is calling from a landline or mobile, irrespective of how long their call lasts.

# VILLAGE CARE AND LINK

New to the Village? Want to take part in community life?

A good way to contribute to the community is by joining Village Care and Link as a volunteer driver, and/or as a driver co-ordinator.

All this involves is to agree to go on our driver's list and be called if we need a driver to take someone to, for example, Salisbury Hospital for an appointment.

If you can't drive that day, it doesn't matter; we simply go down the list and call another driver until we find one.

Drivers can claim 40p per mile expenses.

We need co-ordinators as well as drivers. These are the people who phone round to find a driver for an appointment.

Co-ordinators perform this role for one month, receiving calls from clients, and matching them with drivers. The telephone number is then transferred to the next co-ordinator for a month.

If you are interested, or would like more information, please call me on 818510 or email me on michaelpage007@btinternet.com

Michael Page, Chairman

# Need to get to the RUH? Live in west Wiltshire?

# **Book Connect2 for work**, appointments or visiting.

To book call **08456 525255** option **22** For information **01380 860100** 

To contact us from the hospital dial **1444** from any hospital extension. Connect at Erlestoke or Great Cheverell to use this service.



### News & Views, November 2012 A MESSAGE FROM RICHARD GAMBLE

### Wiltshire Councillor for The Lavingtons & Erlestoke Division

If you are one of those people who feels the system is monstrous because "They never listen", then take heart. They do! They have!

You may recall that, about a year ago, the Boundary Commission proposed that The Lavingtons & Erlestoke Division should no longer be part of the Devizes constituency but should in future be represented in parliament by the MP for a new constituency to be called Warminster & Shaftesbury. Many of you, like me, thought that this proposal was monstrous. Together, we set about trying to persuade the Boundary Commission that their proposal was wrong, although you may be surprised at how many people told me the effort was hopeless.

The naysayers were wrong. On 15th October the Boundary Commission published their revised proposals. Their report says:

In the case of the proposal to restore the ward of The Lavingtons and Erlestoke to the Devizes constituency, the support was in fact overwhelming, with all the parish councils in that ward (and others) writing in support, together with many members of the public, including a petition with 570 signatures.

The basis of the objections to the inclusion of the ward of The Lavingtons and Erlestoke in the proposed Warminster and Shaftesbury constituency, and of the proposal to restore it to Devizes, is neatly summed up in the letter from all seven parish councils within The Lavingtons and Erlestoke:

'The affiliations of our communities, currently and historically, are strongly with the town of Devizes, which is only 5 miles away on the A360, and with the general area of East Wiltshire. Our social links, transport links, communication links and all other matters, including daily shopping, local newspapers, local organisations, • council organisations, etc., are in that direction. In contrast, we have no affiliation with the rest of the proposed constituency of Warminster & Shaftesbury, from which we are separated, and to a substantial extent cut off, by the vast and largely empty area of Salisbury Plain. The stated justification for the Warminster & Shaftesbury constituency in the Boundary Commission's narrative, which refers to "the strong established communications links between these two towns and the surrounding area, specifically the north-south transit route of the A350", (which route, incidentally, by-passes this area) is utterly untrue as far as The Lavingtons and Erlestoke is concerned.'

We agree with these comments and conclude that there are strong geographical, access and local ties reasons for leaving The Lavingtons and Erlestoke within the • Devizes constituency. This would also reinstate the existing constituency boundary. We therefore have no hesitation in adopting this counterproposal. ts

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Thank you to the parish council chairmen who all signed the letter. Thank you to everyone who wrote to the Commission or who signed the petition.

Now, about that railway station .....

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

Although it has been such a disappointing summer, Roberts Playground has been well used and enjoyed. Unfortunately the wooden logs, structures and stepping stones have come to the end of their life and need replacing.

The Playground committee plan a day of work renovation and repair on Sunday 4th November from 10.30 a.m., weather permitting!!. We would love to see any members of the village that feel they could lend a hand, even if it is just to bring some coffee and biscuits! The more people we have the more we can achieve. We would also like your ideas for future development of the playground, so parents, grandparents uncles and aunts, do join us and help to make Roberts Playground a real asset for the village. Do contact Annie Whyman on 813846 or just turn up on the 4th. There are many areas of our village where it would be good to pause and admire the beautiful views; if anyone feels they would like to donate a bench, perhaps in memory of a loved one, then please do contact our clerk on clerkpc@ sky.com/

### Liz Evans, Chair 01380 813929 or email esevans1@hotmail.com .

Don't forget the parish website **www.westlavington.info** – packed with useful local information, news, roadworks updates, what's on and other links, as well as more about the parish council. (Editor's note – We have also been informed of another Lavington website which probably covers the two Lavingtons and gives details of businesses etc. This is not related to the Parish Council website) It is www.lavingtonlife.co.uk

# LITTLE CHEVERELL PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

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Little Cheverell Parish Council now has a website on which they will display minutes, notices of meetings and links to other relevant information and documents such as the village design statement and the register of interests. The address is:

# http://www.kennet-communityweb.com/site/Little-Cheverell-Parish-Council/ index.htm

The next meeting of the Council will be on Monday the 19th of November at 7p.m. in the Little Cheverell Village Hall; we look forward to seeing you then. If you are unable to attend but would like to bring an issue to the attention of the Council please contact the clerk on 01380 813 294 or littlecheverellpc@yahoo.co.uk Liz Read

# **CHEVERELL MAGNA PARISH COUNCIL**

**HGV Decision:** Wiltshire Council has now made a definite decision on the overheight signing for HGVs at Devizes and it's in our favour.

1. The over-height signs directing HGVs to the A342 will remain.

2. More general HGV issues in Great Cheverell will be the subject of further study. This decision is an important step in the right direction and we are very grateful to all who wrote to Wiltshire Council in support of our case. 93 out of the 116 responses (80%) directly or indirectly supported the Cheverell case. The Parish Council will continue to campaign to reduce HGV traffic on the C40 through Great Cheverell. Thank you for your fantastic support so far!

**Appeal to Dog Owners:** We are still receiving reports of incidents of dog fouling in the village, especially in Green Lane and Paddy's Lane. Please be aware that "The Fouling of Land by Dogs" (Wiltshire Council Order 2012) states that it is an offence if a dog defecates at any time on land to which the Order applies and it also points out that if the owner is unaware of the defecation, or does not have a suitable means to remove the faeces, it is not considered to be a reasonable excuse for failing to remove faeces and the owner will be fined if caught doing so. Many people each year – mainly children – develop eye diseases caught by swallowing the Toxocara egg. This is caused by the parasitic roundworm in dog faeces. There is evidence that dogs also carry e coli and hepatitis in their faeces. Please, therefore, do keep your dogs under control and clean up after them in order to protect our children and keep our beautiful village clean. Thank you.

**Neighbourhood Plan Update:** A Steering Group has been set up and will be seeking the views of parishioners in the near future.

Val Noviss, (Parish Clerk) 01380 813227 cheverellmagna@hotmail.co.uk Website:www.greatcheverell.org



# NEWS FROM HOLY TRINITY C OF E PRIMARY ACADEMY

Another busy and exciting term for the children at our school. The youngest children have had a trip to a'Beckett's vineyard where they picked apples, enjoyed the wonderful autumn weather and sat on a tractor. They came back to school and

made apple crumble, apple cake and apple pies.

We aim to give our children a wide range of experiences at Holy Trinity and this term we have had a travelling theatre company come into school to perform *Oliver Twist,* we have had a presentation on modern, environmentally-friendly sailing ships, and we have had a solicitor and a barrister give a talk about their work in court.

Our Eisteddfod choir is preparing for its entry into the Devizes Eisteddfod on Saturday 17th November – we are very grateful to Ms Sharman and Mrs Edwards

who have worked so hard to make sure that the children who were selected for this event enjoy the singing and perform to an exceptional standard.

We are fortunate that Dauntsey's school send a team of sports coaches to our school once a week to support our KS2 children's sport – each block of coaching culminates in a tournament between the participating schools which is a great experience for the children.

If you have a child who will turn 4 years old before September 2013, please

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remember to complete an application for school for them before 15th January 2013 through the Wiltshire Council website www.wiltshire.gov.uk and follow the "Schools and Learning" tabs to the admissions document. You will need to name 3 schools, in order of preference, on this form. It is always best to put your most favoured school first, even if you suspect it may be oversubscribed, since the admission authorities do their best to give parents their first choice of school.

Many parents like to come and look around their local school, even if they are sure that this is the school they wish their child to attend. Other parents wish to look around several schools to choose the one that seems to match the needs of their child most closely. You might be looking for high academic standards, a loving and aspirational ethos, good behaviour, a clear zero-tolerance policy on bullying, and an engaging curriculum. You might also want to ask about the teaching of another language, the variety of clubs on offer, trips that children go on, music lessons, sport and homework. If you suspect that your child might need extra support with learning, you might ask about the Special Educational Needs provision at the school. Usually, you will know which school you prefer once you have walked around it and chatted to the headteacher or the appointed school guide.

If you are interested in looking around our school, do phone us to make an appointment on 01380 813 796. There is a lot of information about our school on our website at www.holy-trinity.co.uk .



# LAVINGTON PRE-SCHOOL

We would like to take this opportunity to welcome 12 new families this term. We have been settling in all our children and we have been looking at our Golden Rules, re-introducing the children to our 'tidy-up time' music, PE, sitting quietly at circle time, song time and story time and most importantly having fun!!!

The children have been enjoying our new improved outside play area. Over the holidays we had some Perspex panelling erected along one of our fences, which the children have explored, creating

some amazing large pictures. We have a new tarmac road track which the children can whizz along on our ride-ons. They also have both a new sand-pit and water tray to play in.

We have been talking about Autumn and the children have made a fantastic Autumn Display, making some finger printed hedgehogs, glittery leaves, colourful squirrels, finger printing and glittery birds and a scarecrow. We have also been looking at the story *Room on a Broom* and the children have drawn their own characters from the story, and these are now on display in the classroom. They have made their very own skeletons which have their own faces on them. This week they have decorated pumpkin pictures with their own finger prints.

Once again we are collecting the Morrison's LETS GROW Vouchers, so if you have any unwanted vouchers, please feel free to pop down and either post them through our letter box or hand them in to a member of staff.

We are always collecting any unwanted textiles – old clothes, blankets or shoes. So again if you have had a good spring clean and would like to find a good home for your unwanted items, please bring them down to pre-school and we will take them off your hands.

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

# GREAT CHEVERELL PRE-SCHOOL AND NURSERY

If it's November it must be autumn leaves, muddy walks and quite a lot of wet clothes. It's all part of the pre-school season but, for each new batch of 2 and 3 year olds joining us, every puddle is a new experience and judging velocity, altitude and depth of puddle to ensure nobody remains dry is a skill best learnt by practice. Then there will be a lot of leaves to stick, cover with paint, dry until they

crunch or make into collages. And the things we can do with conkers and hazel nuts would put a squirrel to shame.

If you think you might be missing out on some fun please contact Gill Tayler to register your child or arrange a trial session.

Great Cheverell Pre-School and Nursery is a charitable pre-school. Based in the grounds of Holy Trinity School and enjoying close links with the school and community. Reg. Charity No. 1037654 www.greatcheverellpreschool.co.uk

### **Dauntsey's Aided Primary School OPEN DAY**

Thurs 8th & Tues 13th November 9.30 a.m.-2.45 p.m.

#### Jack & the Beanstalk

All children were able to watch an excellent performance of Jack and the Beanstalk. It was a wonderful surprise for the children and one that the children really enjoyed. I would like to thank M&M Theatrical Productions for offering their services

at no cost to the school.

### **Robert's Playground**

A reminder that the tidy-up is on Sunday 4th November – 10:30 start. Thank you to those of you who have volunteered; please could you bring gardening tools and old paint brushes.

### **Green Flag Award**

This year we are going for the Eco-schools Green Flag. This is the highest award available for eco-friendly schools and we will be busy with projects around the school, in the community and the wider world!

### School Council

The School Council has been elected and has had their first meeting. Amongst other things, they will be involved in our partnership project with St Mary Redcliffe School in Bristol.

#### **Tudor Day**

All the children in Mississippi Class time-travelled back to 1512 for a Tudor Day of feasting, fun and learning. Thank you to all their parents for dressing them in such wonderful costumes!

### **DAPS** Open Day

On Thursday 8th and Tuesday 13th November Dauntsey's Aided Primary School will be holding its annual open days for prospective parents for the forthcoming years. If you would like to visit our school, then please call into DAPS between 9.15 and 2.45, where you will be able to view the school and have a sample of the fabulous learning environment that we offer. We look forward to welcoming you.

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

# BOOKMARK

Tides of War by Stella Tillyard was well received, but with slight misgivings over the Napoleonic war coverage, although Brenda and Wendy championed this novel and did not find the plot as complicated to follow as some members had. Beginning in 1812, this novel of combined fact and fiction covered the Duke of Wellington's battles abroad, whilst the



heroine was taken under the wing of Kitty Wellington on the home front. Everyone agreed the book was well written and found the references to Rothschild's stocks & shares, early blood transfusion experiments and the birth of gas lighting fascinating. It was deemed a different and interesting read and awarded 8 out of 10.

In contrast, Julie Franck's The Blind Side of the Heart was deemed wordy and slow moving, with no quotation marks for speech. It appeared to be 'lost' in the translation from German; which did not do justice to this novel and members found it hard to believe the characters could be so oblivious to the political situation in 20th century Germany. However, Hild, Lynda and Bridget thought it a good, albeit • 💳 haunting read. This novel, which won the German Book Prize, received a vote of 6 out of 10.

On Wednesday 7th November, our book club will be discussing The Dove Keepers by Alice Hoffman and *Disputed Land* by Tim Pears. This will be followed by our social evening with festive buffet - reading childhood favourites or a Ghost Story on Wednesday 5th December. Members will then be given the reading list for 2013.

Hild Marrow (812399)



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### THE CHEVERELLS' GARDEN CLUB 'Down on the Farm' in October

Those members who braved the weather on Tuesday 9th October were treated to a fascinating illustrated journey with David Burton which followed the creation of **River Bourne Community Farm.** 

The farm is based on 63 acres of land adjoining the River Bourne near the village of Laverstock and its philosophy is that 'Contact with the land and animals is good for the well being of individuals. It gives young people in particular the opportunity to learn about caring and working with others as part of a team. It offers a chance to develop positive attitudes, a strong sense of purpose and feelings of achievement' There was so much enthusiasm for the talk that the club is hoping to arrange a visit

to The River Bourne Community Farm for the next club programme.

If you would like to know more, then why not pay a visit to

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www.riverbournecommunityfarm.org.uk .

There are some great pictures there and information about future events. Ian won the raffle prize.

The next meeting is on November 13th at Great Cheverell Village Hall and Malcolm Thomas, former weather forecaster and author, of Weather for Hillwalkers and Climbers will be, amongst other things, explaining all about the jet stream!!! Visitors are very welcome for £2 There will be a raffle too.

# 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 Paintings, Jewellery, Jams and Chutneys, Walking Sticks, Handmade cards and decorations. Textiles For more information, contact Steve or Nicky Wragg on 813235

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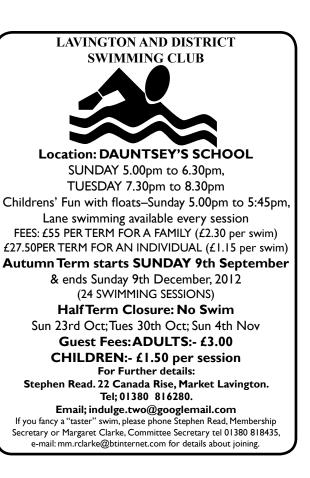
# WEST LAVINGTON WI

Lynne Raynor gave a most interesting and enlightening talk on *Demvstifving the Spine* for us on October 11th and the bread making competition for the Ella Parry Cup was won by Heather Palmer.

On November 8th Richard Worral will be giving a talk in the Giles Room, West Lavington about an Expedition to Bravent Island. And our Christmas meeting is to be held on December 13th.

New members always welcome; please contact our president Janet Stamp on 818370. Alternatively, just turn up at The Giles Room, West Lavington's village hall before 7.30 p.m. on the second Thursday of each month.

Hild Marrow



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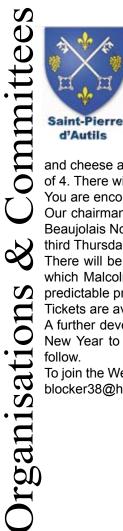


We had a very informative afternoon with Sally Bullock, busily making two Christmas decorations. Sally's little flower

arranging tips were very helpful; it was a very happy afternoon.

We look forward to Anji Scofield talking to us about the RAF Association on Monday, 12th November at 2.15 p.m. at West Lavington Vicarage

Janet Hodges (812467)



# WEST LAVINGTON TWINNING ASSOCIATION

Unfortunately the Quiz night has had to be postponed until next year. In its place (well..a week later) we are holding a Beaujolais Nouveau event. This will be on Friday 30th November in West Lavington Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.

Tickets, which are on sale now, are £15 for members and £18 for non members and will include a 3 course meal of paté, cog au vin

and cheese and a complimentary bottle of Beaujolais Nouveau wine on each table of 4. There will also be a wine bar.

You are encourage to dress in a "French" outfit if you wish.

Our chairman Malcolm Johnson is making a special journey to France to buy the Beaujolais Nouveau soon after its release date of one minute after midnight on the third Thursday of November.

There will be a raffle with a single prize of a hamper filled with French "goodies" which Malcolm will purchase on his visit, and there will be a competition, with a predictable prize, to quess the time it took Malcolm to "race" back to the Wiltshire. Tickets are available from Michael Page on 818510.

A further development is that we shall be holding French language session in the New Year to help members to communicate when they visit France. Details to follow.

To join the West Lavington Twinning Association please email Malcolm Johnson on blocker38@hotmail.com or phone 01380818147.

Michael Page, Secretary (818510)



### WORTON AND CHEVERELL F.C. 'The Badgers'

It has been a mixed start to the season for those teams competing in leagues in the area so far, with the opening rounds of Cup matches also starting during November.

At the younger end of the Club, the Under 9s had a recent 2-2 draw against Melksham to notch up their first point of the season after 3 matches, whilst the 2 Under 10 teams have had mixed

results in their respective leagues, with the Badgers losing narrowly to Corsham 3-4. However, at U11 level the team have had an excellent start to the season winning all three of their first matches.

At the next level in the Club, the U12 are now in a different league this season, and certainly finding it much tougher with a recent loss against Trowbridge 5-1. Both the U14 and U16 sides are both doing well so far, with a recent away win at Trowbridge 1-5 and an 8-0 win against Mere for the U16s.

At the senior end of the Club, the U17/18 team have had a good start, with a recent 1-3 away win against Marshfield, whilst the Adult team are now fielding two teams in the Trowbridge & District League and the Chippenham leagues.

New members are always welcome to join at any stage during the season, and we suggest you contact the relevant coach (details on the website). However, note:

- U6 & U7 : Saturdays at 9.30 at Worton Primary School (5 Lanes).
- U9s : Sat. 10.00 at West Lavington Village Hall pitches (WLVH)
- U10: Sat : 10.00 at Gt Cheverell pitches
- U11: Thursday 06.00 p.m. at WLVH
- U12: Weds: 06.30 p.m. at either WLVH or Northbrook
- U14: Sat: 09.45 at WLVH

http://www.wortonandcheverellfc.co.uk

Steve Dagnall 01380-727976

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# **TRINITY CHURCH**

Sunday 4th November 10.30 am Rev Chris Cory Holy Communion Sunday 11th November 10.45 am at St Mary's Church Remembrance Service Sunday 18th November 10.30 am Mrs Pauline Tiller Sunday 25th November Rev Chris Cory

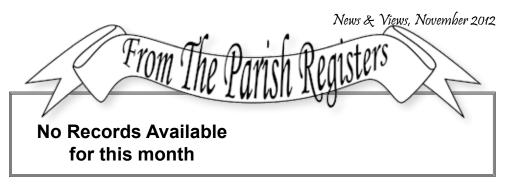
Lately at Trinity we seem to have been celebrating. On 8th September the church family got together with the friends and families of Clive and Marilyn to celebrate their marriage. We would all like to thank the people of St Andrews for the loan of their colourful and welcoming church building and for the ladies who catered for the reception afterwards. Clive and Marilyn were blessed with one of the best, sunniest days of the year and the day will be remembered for its joy and friendship for a long time.

At the beginning of October we celebrated the good things that God has given us in a service of Harvest Thanksgiving. Roger Frost from Market Lavington Museum brought a selection of pictures of farming and harvests in the past from the local area. The technology continued to cooperate for Chris's animated presentation of the creation story with sound effects provided by the congregation. It was a joy to have so many people share lunch afterwards: another joy to see a table full of children tucking in to the bread rolls they had shaped for themselves earlier.

Several members of the congregation have their birthdays in October so we celebrate with them all. As another year passes we looked at times and seasons at our United Service.

This term we have some younger members at Tots@Ten and the looks on their faces, as they listen to Chris telling the story are amazing. Tots@Ten Wednesday 14th November 10 am at the Community Hall. Fun and Friendly.

If you would like to see this month's film at the Community Hall it will be The Lady – The story of Aung San Suu Kyi as she becomes the core of Burma's democracy movement, and her relationship with her husband, writer Michael Aris. November 17th 7.30 p.m. Doors open at 7 p.m Only £5 for a film on your doorstep. Bar also available.



# **BENEFICE ANNUAL CHRISTMAS QUIZ**

the usual £2. The answers don't need to be in until after Christmas, so do buy a Just phone me on 07702 559771 to copy and have fun answering 100 tricky. arrange a time. and some not so tricky, questions. As usual there will be prizes for the best two entries returned to us by January 6th. If you would like some copies to sell to friends or colleagues please let The winner of the £40 first prize was Pat me know.

Henrietta Goggs 01380 813736

### MANURE

If you would like some organic natural This will be available mid November at fertiliser to dig in to your garden we have lots of manure - free but needs collecting.

Henrietta Goggs

# **BENEFICE 200 CLUB**

Hale of Market Lavington; and the winner of the second £20 prize was Jensen Jennings of West Lavington. The draw was done by Sally Lort-Phillips of Market Lavington.

Quentin Goggs, Administrator

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# EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH

Social Networking

Are you on Facebook? Do you "Tweet"? Are your everyday experiences shared with the world in 140 character chunks? What about a blog on which you sound forth your opinions or chronicle your life for all to see? We live in a connected world of where social networking is all the rage. But "social networking" is a bit of a misnomer. Some of the stuff that gets posted on line is downright antisocial. People have got themselves into trouble with the law for their malicious Tweets and vile Status Updates. And how many of your Facebook "friends" do you actually know?

Yes, when it comes to social networking many of us are at it in one way or another. It can be a fun way of keeping in touch with family and friends, but like most other aspects of human life cyberspace has its dark side. One of the problems is that Tweets or Status Updates have no 'tone of voice'. You might type something in jest, with a little slice of ironic humour, but your readers can't always see that and so you end up unintentionally upsetting someone.

The Bible makes an amazing statement about Jesus, "And the Word became flesh". In revealing himself to us most fully, God did not send us an email, or a text message, or a Tweet, or a Status Update, or even a book. He became one of us in the person of his Son, Jesus Christ. Jesus entered into the world of human relationships, with all the joy and pain that entails. He took the time to speak with fishermen, tax collectors, religious leaders, distraught mothers, the diseased and the afflicted. He was a true social networker.

With Jesus "friendship" means more than belonging to a list on Facebook. He said, "Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one's life for his friends." Jesus came to suffer and die on the cross for our sins so that we might have a relationship with God that is real, personal, and eternal. That is why the Word was made flesh. Pastor: Guy Davies Tel: 01373 826727

E-mail: pastor.davies@blueyonder.co.uk Website: http://www.providence-ebenezer.org.uk/

WEST LAVINGTON VILLAGE HALL								
HIRE RATES FROM 1st JUNE 2011		RATE 1 (A)		RATE 2 (B)				
Booking Clerk Steve Cox tel 01380 812143		Hall	Meeting	Hall	Meeting			
A) Charities, local	Mornings (8am - 1pm)	£10.00	£6.00	£17.00	£11.00			
organisation and villagers	Afternoons ( 1pm - 6pm)	£10.00	£6.00	£17.00	£11.00			
B) All others, commercial	Evenings ( 6pm - midnight)	£20.00	£12.00	£30.00	£18.00			
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