



News & Views

November 2013

*Calendar of Services in the Lavingtons, Cheverells & Easterton
November 2013*

Date	Market Lavington	West Lavington	Easterton	Great Cheverell	Little Cheverell
3rd November 4th before Advent	9.30 am Half Hour Service jmc	9.30am Parish Communion (Trad) jcc	11.00 am Parish Communion jmc	11.00 am Simple Celebration pas	11.00 am Matins (BCP) ray
10th November Remembrance Sunday	10.45 am Remembrance	10.45 am Remembrance	10.30 am Remembrance	6.00 pm Remembrance	12.15 pm Act of Remembrance
17th November 2nd before Advent	9.30 am Parish Communion Jmc and Archdeacon Ruth Worsley	8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP) jmc 9.30am Matins (BCP) ray	11.00 am Matins (BCP) ray	10.00 am Welcome to Worship	11.am Parish Communion (BCP)
24th November Christ the King	8.00 am Holy Communion (BCP) jmc 9.00 am JAM Club (Old School)	9.30 am Half Hour Service pas		11.00 am Parish Communion (BCP) jmc	

* An asterisk indicates services where children's activities are provided.
PREACHER: jmc = James Campbell, jcc = John Cowburn, alc = Ann Cocking, pas = Pat Strouger, ray = Bob Young.

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* 17th and 24th February
11.00am & 6.00pm Ebenezer Baptist Church West Lavington.

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

Dear Friends,

As we come to another Remembrance Sunday, our world seems to be as full of war and conflict as ever; the western powers grappling with radical Middle Eastern groups who recruit even from within our own shores...al Quaida and its off-shoots... Hamas and Hezbollah. Since the events of 11th September 2001 our world has become a less stable place, as more groups seek violent means to their ends. The way that some people were picked out and summarily shot dead in the shopping mall in Nairobi recently, I found particularly shocking.

Back in relatively peaceful Wiltshire, these events can seem far away. Yet we know there are those living in our communities, or their children, who are closely involved in these events. Whilst violence is thankfully not something that we encounter very often, busy-ness and tiredness, leading to frustration, and bubbling over into in anger is very common.

In the Christian life there is the need always to hold on to the twin goals of righteousness and compassion – whatever the provocation. Jesus was always full of compassion for whoever he came into contact with. In Matthew 9:36, 'when he saw the multitudes...he was moved with compassion for them, because they were weary and scattered, like sheep without a shepherd'.

An unknown poet wrote:

Just to be tender, just to be true,
Just to be glad the whole day through,
Just to be merciful, just to be mild,
Just to be trustful as a child.
Just to be gentle and kind and sweet,
Just to be helpful with willing feet,
Just to let love be our daily key,
That is God's will for you and for me.

James Campbell

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ST.PETERS CHURCH GREAT CHEVERELL

Christmas Bazaar

Christmas Bazaar on Saturday 23rd November
at 2.00 p.m. in the Village Hall.

Christmas cakes and other seasonal fare for sale.

Also Christmas gift items and decorations.

There will also be a raffle.

Refreshments provided.

If you would like to donate items please ring Wendy Wilshin 813735

Bingo

There will be a Christmas Bingo evening in the Great Cheverell Village Hall on Monday 18th November at 7.30 p.m.

A wide variety of prizes with a Christmas theme and also a raffle.

Come along for an evening of entertainment.

A Date for your Diary!



The third

CHRISTMAS COUNTRY FAIR

in aid of The Soldiers' Charity
will be held on

SATURDAY November 2nd
at the

**MARKET LAVINGTON
COMMUNITY HALL**

10 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Start your Christmas shopping with us! Local handmade crafts including: Toys, Paintings, Cards and Stationery, Knitwear, Scented Candles, Silver, Silk, Glass and Indian Jewellery, Christmas goodies, Textiles, and lots more!
Free Entry - Donations to The Soldiers' Charity
Coffee and cakes!

To book a stall, please contact Sue Bonney on 01380 812757
or email: thebonneys@waitrose.com

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

West Lavington Branch of
the Royal British Legion

Royal British Legion Members are invited to muster in White Street from 10 a.m. on Sunday, 10th November and will then march to All Saints Church at 10.30 a.m.

Please feel free to join if you are a serving member of the Armed Forces or an ex-member. Once again we will be joined by the local guides and, hopefully, Army Cadets.

The Remembrance Service will begin at 10.45 a.m.

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

GARDENERS!

Don't forget we have lots of manure available for your gardens. Just phone to arrange a time and bring some bags.

Henrietta Goggs (07702 559771)

CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

West Lavington Church
Advanced Notice

As well as the Advent Words and Music, to be held on December 1st, the usual Christmas Carol Service will be held on December 22nd at 6 p.m.(followed by Mulled Wine and Supper). If any of you who are likely to attend would like your favourite Carol to be included in this, please contact Lavender Davy (813783)

THE D.S.BIG BAND SHOW

(16 piece + 2 vocalists)

Friday, 15th November

At Market Lavington

Community Hall 8 p.m.

£9 - at the door only

Enquiries 01380 818167

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SPRINGLINE RIDING CLUB VET TALK

Tuesday, November 5th, 7.30 p.m.
Green Dragon, Market
Lavington (Function Room).

Peter Hatherell from the Hale Group will talk on laminitis, Cushings disease, Equine Metabolic Syndrome and Atypical Myopathy, all very topical in the autumn. All welcome. Members free, non-members £5.
Come early if you want to order drinks/food.

Enquiries to Henrietta
GOGGS 07702 559771

NEPALESE SUPPER EVENING

In aid of

Destitute and abused

children of Nepal

23rd November, 7.30 p.m.

At Market Lavington Community Hall

Tickets £5 available from Post

Office, Market Lavington

Or Devizes Books, Devizes

Or e-mail

sue@hambling8.wanadoo.co.uk

DAUNTSEY'S SCHOOL CHORAL SOCIETY

Dauntsey's School Choral Society are currently rehearsing for a Sequence of Music and Readings that will take us through from Advent to Christmas. The concert will take place on Wednesday, 11th December, in St Mary's, Devizes at 7.30 p.m. Entrance is free, but there will be a retiring collection towards the church's regeneration fund.

DUCK STREET FAIR

The Duck Street Fair held in October was a great success and made £4,000 for the charities.

Thank you to all the people who came and also supported this Fair.

Many thanks, Bo and Anna

What's on this month

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**All Saints Church, West Lavington
invite you to**



**WORDS
AND
MUSIC
FOR
ADVENT**

**Sunday 1st December
at 6 p.m.**

**SECRET POSTCARDS AT ST.PETER'S,
LITTLE CHEVERELL**

The exhibition and sale of original works of art in postcard size (artist's name on the back, hence secret) at St. Peter's Church, Little Cheverell, was a success. We raised more than £1300 over the 2 days and would like to thank the many local contributors of art and the buyers thereof.

PS FOUND in St. Peter's Church at the Postcard Sale: 1 pair of horn rimmed (reading) glasses. Ring Marlis' tel.816318.

Marlis, Lynne and Kathryn

NOVEMBER AT TRINITY CHURCH

3rd November 10.30 a.m. at St Andrew's Church, Devizes
First service of our new Minister Rev Gary Gotham
10th November Remembrance Sunday Service, 10.45 a.m. at St Mary's Church
17th November 10.30 a.m. locally arranged – Anything could happen
24th November 10.30 a.m. Holy Communion, Rev Gary Gotham

On Saturday 9th November Trinity Church will be hosting members from churches across the Wiltshire United Area at the Community Hall as they discuss the future shape of our churches and the way things are done.

Tots@Ten meets on Wednesday 13th November at 10.00 a.m. in the Furminger Room at the Community Hall. The theme will be Families. New Mums and preschool children always very welcome.

This month's Movie- Untouchable – (15). Saturday 16th November 7 for 7.30 p.m. at the Community Hall. Tickets £5 from the Post Office or at the door.

St.Arbucks Opening Hours

Monday	1.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m.
Tuesday	10 a.m. – 4.30 p.m.
Wednesday	10 a.m. – 4.30 p.m.
Thursday	CLOSED
Friday	10 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Saturday	9.30 a.m. – 12.30 p.m.

The best coffee in Market Lavington!
Seasonal Menu now includes mug of soup and a bread roll, locally grown and pressed apple juice and a range of cupcakes to suit all tastes. Tables and chairs can easily be moved to accommodate push chairs and wheelchairs.
Babycino- Free with purchase of an adult hot drink.

**FRIENDS OF
COURTYARD SURGERY
CHRISTMAS DRAW**

The Courtyard Surgery will hold its Christmas Draw in December, the date of which has yet to be decided. Donations of prizes will be most welcome at the surgery from now on. If you have anything suitable, please drop it off at the surgery.

**BETTY EVELYN RUTH WELLS
1926 – 2013**

Peter, Adrian and family wish to express their sincere thanks to all family and friends for their kind messages, cards and donations in memory of Betty. Also for their support at the funeral.

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Wednesday 11th December 9-11am
 West Lavington Village Hall

MUnchkins
Christmas
Café

Enjoy Christmas Cookies, Crafts & Coffee
 Toys & Activities for Pre-Schoolers & their parents/grandparents/carers

Entry Free
 any donations to Angel Tree
 (providing presents for
 prisoners' children at Christmas)



FAREWELL MESSAGE FROM JOHN CLAY

Owing to retirement **JLC (General Building) Ltd** ceased trading as at 31st October 2013.

The business will continue with Mr Lee Acton (see amended advertisement in the Advertisement Section).

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all my customers (past and present) who have supported me over the last 13 years, and hope you will in turn support Mr Acton as he sets out on his own.

Thank you
 John Clay

THE NESTLING TRUST

In 2011 I went to Nepal as a volunteer nurse. During many months, working in one of the poorest countries of the world, I witnessed children, some as young as just a few months, living in squalor and without shelter. Exposed to life threatening dangers of disease, malnutrition and abuse, they have nowhere to turn for protection. Unable to ignore this great need, and with the support of people in the community, friends and family we set about forming a UK Charity, The Nestling Trust.

We plan to build a home to protect some of the most vulnerable children of Nepal; many will have been subjected to exploitation, abuse or violence. The Nestling Home will provide a secure, caring environment, the basic right of every child, where the children's needs are met and they will have the opportunity of an education, learning life skills to prepare them for adulthood. To create sustainability, alongside the home there is land to farm goats and grow vegetables and fruit.

Our initial target is £50,000 to cover the cost of building, staffing and running the home for the first year. The land has already been donated. Every penny will be spent directly in Nepal on the project itself; no funds will be used for air fares, travel or personal expenses.

Our first fundraising event and launch date is a Nepalese Supper Evening in Marke Lavington Community Hall on Saturday 23rd November at 7.30 p.m.

Tickets £5 are available from Devizes Books, Market Lavington Post Office, or Email sue@hamblin8.wanadoo.co.uk Please come and support us.

Thank you - Sue Hamblin



CHRISTMAS CRAFT EVENING
eat, drink and be crafty!

*** ENTRY INCLUDES** FESTIVE STALLS
 glass of homemade mulled wine and a homemade mince pie! **RAFFLE**

CRAFT DEMOS including...
 Festive Wreath Making,
 Creating Christmas Table Decorations,
 Seasonal Cup Cake Decorating,
 Table Dressing
 and how to make an Alternative Christmas Pudding

£5*

Wednesday 4th December 2013
 8pm - 10pm
 West Lavington Village Hall
IN AID OF LAVINGTON PRESCHOOL

Purple Fish presents DARK SIDE OF THE MOON

Well folks, the time has finally arrived! No more thinking about it, no more talking for hours, no more tea-drinking!

We have done the rehearsals, practised the difficult bits and been on the most incredible journey through one of the most iconic pieces of music ever written.

I go back to my original questions: "Where were you 40 years ago when Dark Side of the Moon was first aired? Can you remember hearing it for the first time? Did you buy the album or did your best friend have it?"

Come and join us now for what we hope will be an amazing evening of music.

The show starts with a fantastic singer/songwriter, Ben Maggs; then Purple Fish presents the whole of Dark Side of the Moon, followed by some absolutely classic rock songs to finish.

The evening is in support of Wiltshire Air Ambulance and it all takes place on Friday November 22nd at The Corn Exchange, Devizes. The doors open at 7 p.m. and tickets, £15, are available from Devizes Books, The Bell in Great Cheverell and Steeple Ashton Shop.

We would really like to thank all those who have given us support over the last few months, especially Martin Walker and Wadworth Brewery for their sponsorship.

Look forward to seeing you there!!

(Adrienne Hale and Purple Fish)

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GOOD NEIGHBOUR NEWS HOME SAFETY

This month I would like to tell you about 2 ways of making your home as safe as possible. Did you know that Wiltshire Fire and Rescue make Free Home Fire Safety

Visits? If you are over 65, disabled or have small children you may be eligible for one. Fire and Rescue will visit your home and carry out an inspection to identify fire risks. They can also check your fire alarms.

The Wiltshire Bobby Van Trust can carry out a security survey of your home. They can advise you on making your house safe and fit door and window locks. The Bobby Van can also fit key safes. You can leave a front door key in your key safe and give the code to relatives or neighbours so they can get into your house if necessary.

If you have any questions about this or any other issues do ring or email me.

Caroline Culley, Good Neighbour Co ordinator for Devizes villages on 07557 922027 or email devizesgnc@communityfirst.org.uk

Next Bell Pub Lunch Club Wednesday 20th November 12.30 p.m. Beef stew and dumplings, bangers, mash, red onion gravy, breaded plaice, chips and peas followed by Sticky toffee pudding with custard or icecream £6.50 Next date Wed 18th December. If you would like to come please ring Caroline, as above.

WEST LAVINGTON YOUTH CLUB

By the time you read this we will have had the Paint Ball Trip; I hope you members joined in what will have been a great day out. Probably the next event will be at The Churchill for a Christmas Dinner booked for 7 p.m. on 12th December. This will be open to all members and will cost £5, which needs to be paid as a deposit and paid with your completed form, There will be a two or three course dinner which everyone will need to pre-order. It will be your chance to dress up and have a great night out. Look out for more information at the Youth Club. Book early.

Monday	7-9 p.m.	Seniors at West Lavington
Tuesday	6-7.30 p.m.	Young Members at West Lavington
Thursday	6.30 - 8.30 p.m.	DROP IN seniors at WEST Lavington
Friday	7-9 p.m.	Seniors at Market Lavington

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

LOCAL FAMILY BUSINESS TAKES A NEW TURN

A well-known Codford business that is now run by the third generation of its original owners is trying something new and are inviting you to come along.

Today the coach business is in full swing and you may have met the turquoise coloured Real coaches on the road at some point as they are used by everyone from rugby clubs to Ramblers.

In 2008, history had to move over to practicality and the original Nissen hut was replaced with the modern, spacious store that is in use today. This has not only allowed business to stock more local produce but has provided an office above the store to work away on the next project: friendly but first-class coach trips.

“Like any other time we have tried something new, it’s been based on local enquiries and feedback,” says Brendan Smith. “We already know there are lots of social, active people in this area who are keen for day-trips but, understandably, are not so keen on feeling like a small, unimportant cog in a big tour. We have the modern coaches, the friendly team and the local knowledge so we’re just putting it all in place to provide trips that are a bit more special.”

As a result, the first trip is scheduled for Saturday 2nd November to the Country Living Christmas Show and there are trips to the BBC Good Food show, Winchester Market and Hyde Park’s Winter Wonderland right through November and December. All trips leave from Codford Garage (unless otherwise arranged) and cost from between £9.50 and £35.50.

Any groups of four or more will receive a complimentary mini onboard picnic so if you fancy being a part of the inaugural Real Coach trip season, please visit www.realcoachhire.co.uk or call 01985 850345 for a brochure and booking form.

Country Living Christmas Show (inc. entrance)	Saturday 2nd November, 8.30am – 7.30pm	£32.50
BBC Good Food Show (inc. entrance)	Friday 15th November, 8.30am – 7.00pm	£35.50
Winchester Christmas Market	Friday 6th December, 9.30am-6.30pm	£9.50
Winter Wonderland in Hyde Park	Saturday 7th December, 9.30am – 8.00pm	£16.50 a seat or £55 for four seats.
Winchester Christmas Market	Saturday 14th December, 11.30am – 9.00pm	£9.50

A MESSAGE FROM RICHARD GAMBLE

Wiltshire Councillor for The Lavingtons & Erlestoke Division

Some of you may be aware that my responsibilities now include being Portfolio Holder for Education, Skills and Youth, and you can judge for yourself whether that title holds any hint of irony.

Excluding a small number of private establishments, we have 234 schools in Wiltshire. 199 are Primary, 29 are Secondary and 6 are Special Schools. Of these, 41 schools are academies (which are state funded but are otherwise independent) and the total school population numbers about 65,000.

Schools are largely self-administered by head teachers and boards of governors. There are about 3,500 governors, which make them the most numerous body of volunteers in the county. I have only met a small proportion but I have been very impressed by their commitment and professionalism and I congratulate all those of you reading this who undertake that very important task.

Congratulations are entirely appropriate because most Wiltshire Schools seem to be doing well. On provisional figures, the exam results at GCSE and A Level this year look as if they have been the best ever. 82% of our pupils are in schools that are now classed by Ofsted as Good or Outstanding, which puts us in the top quartile of the country. However, we are not complacent and Wiltshire is maintaining a Schools Improvement programme to ensure progress continues to be made.

Education is not an end in itself but it is a stepping stone for our young people to the rest of their lives. An education that does not lead to a worthwhile career must be of questionable value. I am pleased to know, therefore, that almost all of our young people go on to higher or further education or find jobs or apprenticeships or training. Unemployment in Wiltshire (including youth unemployment) is about half the national average. But we do have some NEETs (Not in Education, Employment or Training) and their plight is a matter of concern.

It’s over twelve years ago that a Prime Minister said his three top priorities for Britain were Education, Education and Education; yet, recently, the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development said Britain lagged behind most other developed countries for literacy and numeracy. That may not be entirely true in Wiltshire, but we still have work to do.

You may contact me about this or any other matter by email to richard.gamble@wiltshire.gov.uk or by phone on 07762 018209.

CHEVERELL MAGNA PARISH COUNCIL

GREAT CHEVERELL - 20MPH SPEED LIMIT COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH PROGRAMME PLEASE VOLUNTEER

On 9th September 2013 the 20 mph speed limit through the village became legal and enforceable. But now we need to make it effective....

The Parish Council has obtained approval from Wiltshire Police and Wiltshire Council to set up a Community Speedwatch (CSW) programme. This will only require a few hours per month of your time - the more volunteers we get, the better! Full training and all equipment will be provided by Wiltshire Police.

For further information please contact:
Chris Hall, Parish Councillor (01380 816983)
Email: WoodlandsRX68@hotmail.co.uk

PLEASE HELP TO MAKE YOUR VILLAGE A SAFER PLACE TO LIVE IN!

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

WEST LAVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

It has been a busy month for members of the council who have been reading and hearing submissions on the planned redevelopment of the Stage Post site.

In order that those people living in the area could have their say about the proposals, we held a public meeting on 17th October, which was attended by about a hundred people. Everyone who wished to speak was able to do so.

On 22nd October we held an extraordinary council meeting for members to consider the applications, taking into account the public views. The council felt unable to support the plans without further information.

With regard to the plans for the retail unit, the council had concerns that the scale of the catchment area may have a detrimental economic effect on the wider area, and wished to see a proper Retail Assessment. For both applications from the housing and the retail unit the council had concerns over traffic management and asked for a fuller integrated assessment by highways. They also asked that both these applications be placed before the planning committee, as at present only the retail one was to be considered. During the discussion the council established that if both assessments (retail impact and traffic/parking) could be provided in sufficient time before the Area Planning Committee meets, then they may review their position..

We have just had notification that the installation of two new pedestrian crossing points are provisionally programmed to begin on 16th December, with an expected duration of construction of 5 days. The high friction surface is weather dependent (requiring a dry surface free from salt.) It is therefore possible that there may be some delays, but I will keep you informed. All are welcome at our monthly meetings and our website www.westlavington.info is full of village information

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.

WEST LAVINGTON VILLAGE HALL HIRE RATES From 1st September 2013

Rates per hour Day – 8 am-6 pm Evening 6pm - 12	Weekday (Mon-Fri)		Weekend (Sat & Sun)	
	Local & Charity	Other	Local & Charity	Other
Hall - Daytime	£3.50	£5.50	£4.50	£6.50
Hall - Evening	£5.00	£7.50	£6.00	£9.00
Giles Room - Day	£3.00	£4.50	£3.50	£5.50
Giles Room - Eve	£4.00	£6.00	£5.00	£7.50
Small Meeting Room - Day	£2.50	£3.00	£3.00	£4.00
Small Meeting Room - Eve	£3.00	£4.00	£4.00	£6.00
Changing Rooms Per Day (Casual Users)	£25.00			£50.00

Telephone bookings to Lynne Rayner on 01380 812881 or email: Lynne@movement4you.com Booking must include event preparation time. Minimum charge is for up to 2 hours If cancelling, contact the above. Charge is made if within less than 48 hours notice. The Playing Field (including pitches), for which there is no charge, must be booked even if the Changing Rooms are not used.

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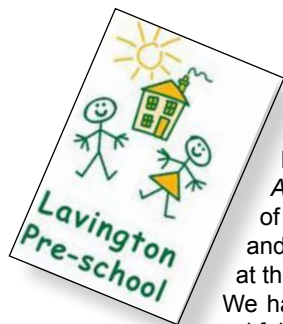
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LAVINGTON PRE-SCHOOL

Here at Lavington Pre-school we have had 2 more children join us this term and we welcome Charlie and Isis, and their families, to our Pre-school. We had had a great term, packed full with fun and learning through play. The children have been busy creating their *All About Me* books which include their family tree using photographs of their family members, their drawings of themselves and their family and pets. These books will make a great keepsake when they go home at the end of term.

We have been doing lots of cooking this term, creating cheese scones and fairy cakes, and we have been doing some group painting, creating a massive fire engine and also using vegetables to print paint some colourful pumpkins. In the garden, we have moved the outside kitchen into the digging area to enable the children to get creative making mud pies and other delicacies! If you have any old metal pots and pans for our 'mud kitchen', that you no longer need, we would be very grateful. We have been concentrating on our physical development through dancing and PE and we have been able to go and use the climbing and balancing facilities in the DAPS playground. All through the term we have also been revisiting the jolly phonics songs that we use to help the children with their learning of letters and sounds.

COMMITTEE AGM 26th NOVEMBER 2013: Lavington Pre-school operates as a charity and is therefore run by a voluntary Committee made up of parents, members of the community and staff. Being a part of this fun group is a fantastic way to meet people and, more importantly, a way to have a direct influence on your child's learning. On the **26th November, at 8 p.m. at the Pre-school** we will be holding our annual AGM and we would love to see some new faces. This year we are also looking for a new committee chair person. To express your interest, or for further details, please talk to a member of staff or contact **Debbie Parsons on 07793 634543 or email us at lavingtonpreschool@gmail.com**.

OUR 4th BIRTHDAY PARTY: A massive thanks to everyone who supported and contributed to the Pre-school Birthday BBQ on Saturday 28th September. It was a lovely event, with visitors from Pre-school past, present and future. Thank you to everyone who worked hard to make it all run smoothly and special thanks must go to Sophie's Mum for making us the most delicious birthday cake!

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING/CRAFT EVENING: Our Fundraising Committee are organising a Christmas Craft Fair at the West Lavington Village hall on Wednesday 4th December at 8 p.m. until 10 p.m. Entry will include mulled wine and a mince pie and the opportunity to watch some great craft demonstrations. Don't forget to make a date in your diary for this fun filled evening.

FREE NURSERY ENTITLEMENT FUNDING FOR 2 YEAR OLDS: As an outstanding Pre-school, we are able to offer funded sessions for 2 year olds for up to 15 hours per week. If you are interested please visit www.wiltshire.gov.uk for more information on eligibility for free nursery entitlement funding for 2 year olds.

We currently have spaces available at our Outstanding Pre-school, if you would like to find out more information about us you can visit our website www.lavingtonpreschool.org.uk or contact Vici Knott, Pre-school Manager T: (01380) 812551 E: lavingtonpreschool@gmail.com



DAUNTSEY ACADEMY PRIMARY SCHOOL

Mr and Mrs Tarling and Mrs Stone gave up their Saturday to create our Jubilee tiled wall using the beautiful tiles made by the children.

Our Jubilee Tiles



Harvest Festival

On Friday 4th October we celebrated Harvest Festival by performing songs and poems to an audience of parents. Donations were made to Devizes Food Bank who distribute them to those who need it most within our community.

Garden Club News

This year we had good crops of apples, raspberries, beans, onions, potatoes, squash, peas and carrots and our flower beds were full of beautiful colour! Now harvest is over it's time to prune, clear summer bedding and plant spring bulbs. Gardening Club and the Eco Group are joining forces to make Robert's Playground an eco-friendly environment.

Mandy Francis, Admin. Asst.



NEWS FROM HOLY TRINITY C OF E PRIMARY ACADEMY

Mediaeval topic

School Trip

We have had lots of fun with our mediaeval theme this term. All the children in our school had a trip to Farleigh Hungerford Castle where they had a guided tour of the site, with great stories and information, they could dress up in replica outfits and examine (with white gloves) artefacts from the era.

Mediaeval building

We were also fortunate enough to have a day of mediaeval building in our school! Master thatcher, Will Barter, and his team came into school and showed us how to make hurdles for wall building and how to thatch roofs. It was a tremendous day, seeing the old crafts that are still in use today and even the old tools from a thousand years ago, still being used today. We are very lucky to have such wonderful volunteers in our community who can enrich the children's learning so effectively.

Art Project

The work on our art project, which will result in a time line from Neolithic times to the present is going on apace. All the children have had a chance to create something for the display. We are very grateful to our "Artist in residence" Kate Sykes and her team who are working so hard to ensure a wonderful end result.

Archdeacon

We were lucky enough to have the Archdeacon of Wiltshire, the Ven. Ruth Worsley, come to visit our school and lead a great session of collective worship for our children and staff. Links with our local parishes and the wider church are always important to us as we are a Church of England school, and Christian values and ethos underpin everything we do here.

Admissions

If your child is due to start school in September 2014, please remember to apply for a place before 15th January 2014. We have 18 places available for the Foundation Stage next year, and our admissions policy is available on our website. If you are considering Holy Trinity as the school for your child, please contact the school on **01380 813 796** to arrange to meet us and look around the school.

Lots more news and photos can be found on our website at www.holy-trinity.co.uk

LAVINGTON WI



We had a very entertaining history lesson this month on Bath, by Graham Harding, resplendent in historical dress. The city we know today was not such a pleasant place to live in the early 1700s as hundreds of ill and sick people travelled to Bath to 'take the waters'. They resided in lodgings and were taken to the Baths by sedan chair, dressed in a cotton chemise and wrapped in a sheet.

These unfortunate individuals were left in the water for a prescribed length of time, the water getting murkier by the minute. Those with skin diseases and disfigurements had their treatments at night, so as not to alarm the ladies. A far cry from the luxury thermal spa baths we have now, though it might be an idea to restrict the wearing of Speedos to the hours of darkness, for the same reason!

Contrary to our assumptions, Bath during Jane Austen's time was nearing the end of its heyday. Once the railways were established, people were able to travel further for their leisure and the seaside became the destination of choice.

You've no doubt seen the news reports of the first day of the Selfridges' Sale. That was nothing compared to the crowds clamouring to get into the First WI Quality Jumble Sale. I recall our President assuring us that organising a Jumble Sale required little work; 'Just a few hours the night before and on the day'. Not so; in her dreams. It necessitated weeks of effort: advertising the event, collecting the donations and storing them, transporting them to the hall, sorting them and then getting rid of everything that wasn't sold. We need also to include baking the cakes, buying the bacon and rolls, cooking them, making the teas and washing up. My two abiding memories were Rob, a Certified (should be) Engineer, wearing a fetching green, flowery hat, struggling to piece together a wooden flower puzzle (for 4-6-year-olds) and a dog, rigid with disgust being put into a dog coat!

It was a great success, so thank for your contributions and attending on the day.

Annemarie Seager



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Lyn Dyson gave us an enthralling afternoon, talking about our village of West Lavington and Littleton Panell from

Saxon beginnings to the present day. It was most interesting to hear of familiar names through the centuries. One of the people Lyn would most like to meet was William Hunt who was a very fair and sympathetic Justice of the Peace. He lived in Hunts House and a number of sessions in association with his work were held at the Horse and Jockey. We were so grateful to Lyn for her research into the village and all we learnt from it.

We shall be having a meeting on Wednesday, 13th November at 8.45 a.m. at the Village Hall – to talk about the Munchkin Toddlers café. We hope to start this on Wednesday, 11th December in the hope that this will provide a safe and enjoyable couple of hours for families to meet and children to play, hear stories and sing, with light refreshments and cake!

The Revd John Cowburn will be taking a short service on November 11th at 2.15 p.m. at West Lavington Vicarage.

Janet Hodges (812467)



How does surrealism translate into garden design? Ivan Hicks, currently lead designer of a 27 acre site at Butterfly World St Albans, introduced members of the Cheverells Garden Club to an altogether different approach to garden design making use of objects and

plants in novel and challenging ways. The objects included some that might be classified as waste or junk (stacks of cable drums, rusted circular saw blades) but they were shown combined with plants and converted into garden features that both startled and stimulated. Perhaps that old bicycle wheel doesn't have to languish in the shed but could be transformed into a feature in your garden.

Next Month: Millie Carmichael talks about how she converted a weed-filled garden into a venue for her wedding (Tuesday, 12th November at 7.30pm in Great Cheverell Village Hall).



WORTON AND CHEVERELL F.C.

'The Badgers'

Following on from last month's newsletter, the Under 9 kit was kindly sponsored by Jemima's Gift – a Charity set up after the tragic death of a dearly loved daughter in a skiing accident in February this year. Many thanks.

A mixed mid-Autumn term report from the various age groups so far, with highlights as follows:

- The Badger Cubs (Reception year) – are going from strength to strength with now over 6 players, and looking for more. This is a Fun session for those who are interested as an introduction into the Game.
- Under 8s had a good match away at Trowbridge, with Toby scoring a wonder goal set up by Vincent. Man of the Match went to Herbie - well done all.
- U11 Wizards away against Corsham – after coming from behind twice, but let down by conceding a goal in the last minute of time, the team drew 3-3.
- U13 - good start to the season, with only one defeat so far, with a good win in the Mid Wilts Cup and County Cup matches to play.

Further news and info, and team contact information are available on the Club website above (or just google Worton and Cheverell FC)

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LAVINGTON AND DISTRICT SWIMMING CLUB - Autumn 2013



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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.

BOOKMARK

Members gathered for our October session to discuss *Sweet Tooth* by Ian McEwan and Alicia Foster's debut, *Warpaint*. Although we had all enjoyed McEwan's previous novels, with *Atonement* still a firm bookshelf favourite, we were all disappointed in his latest novel. Only one member acknowledged it to be a fairly agreeable read; most thought it an unimpressive spy story with an unconvincing female lead character. On the other hand, *Warpaint* was thoroughly enjoyed by all. This alarmingly human and accurately described novel mapped the lives of four different women working as war artists during World War Two. The artwork on the front cover is stunning and this well observed historical fiction based on truth is thoroughly recommended by all.



Our thanks to Bernie Maltby for kindly offering to host our October gathering in her home to assist Hild Marrow who was a little under par (no, not the gin & tonics on this occasion!). And our apologies to Mary Thain for not clarifying this last minute change of venue. Significantly, Mary's friend had a Laura Knight painting hanging on her wall, given to her by her father who was an admirer of this flamboyant war artist. It was only years later when Mary's friend decided to take the picture to be cleaned that this all came to light. Subsequently, the painting went on loan to national galleries and eventually on an extensive European tour. What an exciting discovery – and Fiona Bruce was nowhere in sight!

We missed Wendy and Lynda who were both on holiday, but it was good to see Liz Bord after her adventures in Canada. Janet Stamp kindly attended after a demanding day in Oxford and Annemarie turned up with a pair of bright pink steel toe capped boots! You may well ask..... Surprisingly, it seems quite sane when you are told she has a matching hard hat and fluorescent jacket to complete the outfit. I wonder if the chaps on this specific site realize quite what is in store – and I wonder who will be doing the whistling!

Our next Bookmark meeting will be held at 7.30pm on November 13th at Great Cheverell's Village Hall in the High Street (not to be confused with the new Pavilion). We shall be discussing *John Saturnall's Feast* by Lawrence Norfolk and AN Wilson's *The Potter's Hand*. Our following December session is to be a social evening with festive buffet, including a Christmas reading and/or childhood favourite.

Hild Marrow (812399) hildward@tiscali.co.uk



WEDDINGS

Siobhan PRIDEAUX and **Tom STAYT** were married by Rev James Campbell at St Peter's Church, Great Cheverell on Saturday 12th October.

BAPTISMS

Huw Parfitt-May was baptised at St Peter's Church, Little Cheverell by Rev Pat Strowger on Sunday 13th October.

FUNERALS

Oliver John Spanswick a resident of West Lavington for many years who died in BUPA Care Home in Market Lavington on Oct 17th. The funeral was held at Semington Crematorium on October 25th.

BENEFICE 200 CLUB

The winner of the first prize of £40 was Les Charlton of Drove Lane in Market Lavington; and the winner of the second prize of £20 was Janice Spenceley also of Market Lavington. The draw was done by Sue Stacpoole.

Quentin Goggs, Benefice Treasurer

EBENEZER BAPTIST CHURCH

The Cost of Living

Political debate is currently dominated by arguments over the cost of living. Unemployment is falling and there are other signs of economic recovery. But with costs rising and incomes staying the same, people are still feeling the pinch. Things aren't helped by the fact that some of the big the energy supplies companies have recently announced hefty price rises. It's not for me as a Baptist Minister to use these pages to sketch out my solution to this problem. Sadly I don't have one. That's the job of politicians, not pastors. But talk of the 'cost of living' got me thinking of some words of Jesus.

Some charlatan preachers might tell people that becoming a Christian is the route to an easy life, but Jesus made it clear that there is a cost involved in following him, "Whoever wants to be my disciple must deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me." (Matthew 16:24). For some that may involve losing their life for Christ's sake. On Sunday 22nd September two suicide bombers headed for All Saints Church, Peshawr, Pakistan and blew themselves up. Eighty five members of the congregation were slaughtered in what was the deadliest ever attack on Christians in the country.

Thankfully, Christians don't face such dangers here in the UK, but living for Jesus is still costly. It involves devoting the whole of our lives to his service. Yes, Christians gather for worship on a Sunday, but following Jesus means more than that. Going to church on a Sunday is meant to equip believers to serve the Lord throughout the week. English Missionary to China C. T. Sudd had it right when he said, "If Jesus Christ is God and died for me, then no sacrifice can be too great for me to make for Him." That's the cost of living for Jesus.

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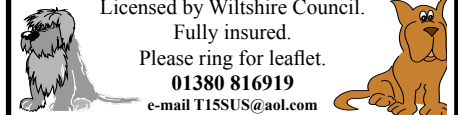


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