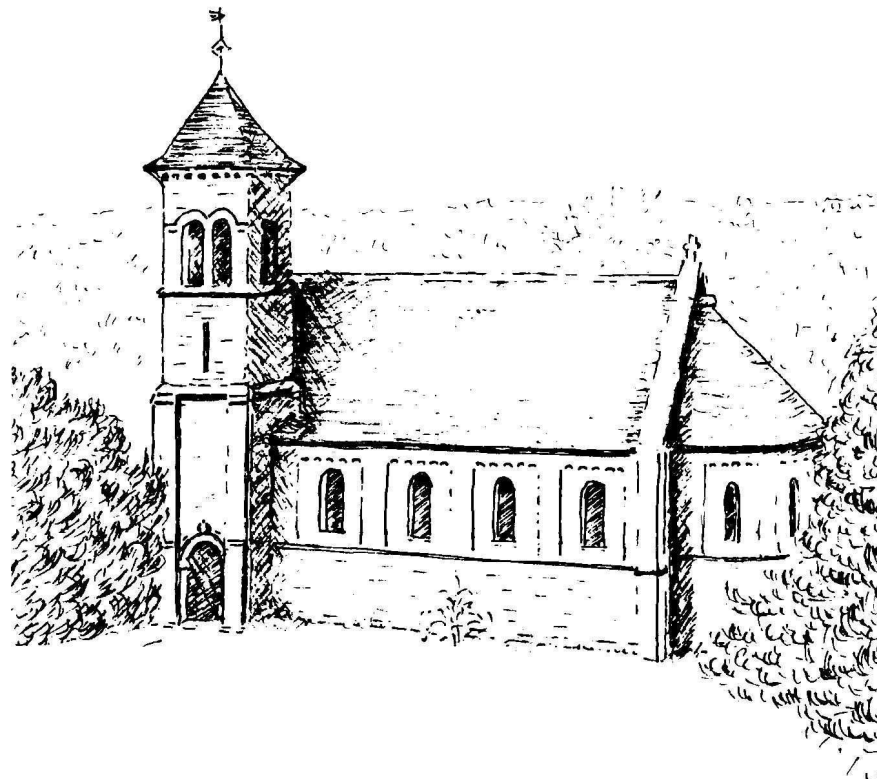


DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

NOVEMBER

Wednesday 1	7.30pm	BEAT meeting in St Peter's Court, Ashcroft Road
Thursday 2	7.30pm	Coates Gardening Club
Friday 3	6pm	Coates Village Club Family Night
Saturday 4	5pm	Coates Bonfire Night
Tuesday 7	11am	Service & Coffee at Woodstock in Frampton Mansell
Tuesday 7	7pm	RBL Kemble & District AGM
Wednesday 8	10am	Frampton Mansell Creative Group
Saturday 11	11am	Defibrillator Awareness Session in Sapperton Village Hall
Sunday 12	3pm	RBL Kemble & District Annual Remembrance Service at Oaksey
Wednesday 15	9am	Rodmarton School Open Morning
Thursday 16	2.30pm	Good Companions Meeting
Saturday 18	11am	Defibrillator Awareness Session in Frampton Mansell Village Hall
Tuesday 21	10.30am	Community Coffee, Cake and Chat in Coates Village Hall
Tuesday 21		Mobile library visiting Coates
Tuesday 21	7pm	Frampton Mansell Film Night <i>My Cousin Rachel</i>
Tuesday 21	7pm	Rodmarton Parish Council Meeting
Thursday 23	2.30pm	Kemble & District RBL Women's Section AGM in Kemble Village Hall
Saturday 25	7.30pm	Coates Quiz Night
Wednesday 29	9am	Rodmarton School Open Morning

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We have received the sum of £266 from the Community Matters scheme in Cirencester Waitrose. Thank you to all who contributed.

Further details about the group in confidence can be obtained from Pat on 770385.

MOBILE LIBRARY VISITS

The visit for next month will be on Tuesday 21 November between 11.25am and 12.25pm outside the village hall.



CLOSING DATE FOR THE NOVEMBER MAGAZINE

Contributions should be sent to Bob Merrill at Glebe House, Coates, GL7 6NU. Telephone 07866 972389 or by e-mail to the Watershed magazine at watershedmag@gmail.com. Articles should be in Arial font at 11 point with **formatting kept as simple as possible**. The editor reserves the right to edit any articles. **Articles should be submitted by 12 November at the latest for inclusion in the next issue which covers December and January.**

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SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE

5 November Fourth Sunday before Advent		
9.30	Kemble	Holy Communion + Sunday School
9.30	Coates	Holy Communion
9.30	Poole Keynes	Morning Prayer
11.00	Somerford Keynes	Morning Prayer
11.00	Rodmarton	Holy Communion
11.00	Frampton Mansell	Holy Communion
18.00	Kemble	The Source
12 November Remembrance Sunday		
9.30	Coates	Holy Communion with Vann Cup
10.00	Kemble	Morning Prayer/Remembrance
10.30	Frampton Mansell	Morning Prayer/Remembrance
10.50	Poole Keynes	Morning Prayer/Remembrance
10.55	Somerford Keynes	Morning Prayer/Remembrance
10.55	Rodmarton	Holy Communion/Remembrance
12.15	Coates	War Memorial
15.00	Oaksey	RBL Service
15 November		
19.45	RAU	Filling Station with Craig Bishop
19 November Second Sunday before Advent		
9.30	Kemble	Family Holy Communion
9.30	Coates	Holy Communion
9.30	Poole Keynes	Family Service
11.00	Somerford Keynes	All Age Service
11.00	Rodmarton	Holy Communion
11.00	Frampton Mansell	Holy Communion
15.30	Kemble School	Messy Church (Benefice Event)
26 November Christ the King		
8.00	Tarlton	Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00	Poole Keynes	Benefice Service
3 December First Sunday of Advent		
9.30	Kemble	Holy Communion + Sunday School
9.30	Coates	Holy Communion
11.00	Somerford Keynes	Morning Prayer
11.00	Rodmarton	Holy Communion
11.00	Sapperton	Holy Communion
16.00	Poole Keynes	Songs of Praise & Possada
18.00	Kemble	The Source

REFLECTIONS FROM THE RECTORY

November is time to remember and of course next year Remembrance Sunday will fall on Armistice Day as we reflect on the impact on our world of that conflict and others. It is a hundred years ago that General Haig blundered his way forward at Passchendaele and wasted thousands of lives because he was too proud to call it off when the first attacks were unsuccessful. 1917 saw the U Boats unlimited warfare sinking not just allied but neutral shipping and leading to the entry of the USA into the war. 1917 also saw the collapse of the Russian state and the Bolshevik revolution that led not just to the withdrawal of Russia from the war but the assassination of their Czar and his family. Among the Western Allies troops began to mutiny from Calais to Italy as not just the conditions in the trenches but the poor example and leadership of the generals led to plummeting morale. Perhaps a key factor in both Russia and the West was the increasing divide and separation in the experience of soldiers who were mistreated and abused by those in authority and a leadership who seemed to be careless of the hopes and aspirations of ordinary soldiers.

There is perhaps a lesson for us today in that as well. We may not send men to fight in hopeless situations in quite the same way but this is not the real issue. There was an increasing disconnect between the experience and reality of the majority (which in the trenches was of discomfort, disease and deadly danger) of soldiers and a leadership immune to their suffering. What holds community together and provides cohesion is a sense of common purpose. Where that is strong people will endure the harshest experience to attain the shared goal as we see and some of you experienced through the blitz and the fight against Hitler. Inspired by Churchill this country led the world through suffering to a new opportunity. If that sense of purpose and shared goal is lost then political revolt as experienced in Russia and perhaps quite narrowly avoided in Western Europe becomes increasingly likely with all the violence and desire for revenge it brings with it.

In our country the back story of generations has been one of Christian hope. Not that the majority ever took that seriously but its ethos and power for good has gradually shaped our society and directed our purpose. Our society is shaped imperfectly by the truth of the gospel and the minimum expectation of the Ten Commandments. From time to time Christian voice has challenged institutions such as slavery that

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were normal at the time and shining a spiritual light on the issue has challenged opinion until it changed. Speaking truth to power in this way is something Christians should always be seeking to do though we have often failed to do so. In the same way education and healthcare for the majority were promoted and founded in Christian initiative even if now (rightly) provided by central government. Likewise those mostly non-conformist industrialists like Rowntree and Cadbury showed how industry had a responsibility to its workforce to provide good conditions for their welfare and could still make a very good profit. Such lessons are hard won and there will always be more to do because human nature will always tend toward greed and self-interest.

It is interesting therefore to reflect on the idea that Britain may be becoming the first nation to seek to remove this spiritual lifeline and live by secular values alone. A new intolerance that describes the Christian Union of a university as divisive seeks to replace it with a culture that relies upon the goodness of humanity alone as the arbiter of good and evil. It will result in a dictatorship of thought and action as strict as Stalinist Russia and as morally offensive. The controllers of modern communication will edit and inform our thinking to fit within their convenience until their own particular perversion of truth is installed. Perhaps the love of money will in the end become the root of all evil, which is after all what God said.

With love and prayers

Trevor Kemp - Rector

PRAYERS IN THE BENEFICE

- ◇ Tuesdays at Kemble at 8.30am
- ◇ 2nd Tuesday in the month - Said Communion Service and Prayers at 3pm followed by tea at The Blessings, Coates
- ◇ Wednesdays at Kemble at 10am (Holy Communion)

TIME OUT BIBLE DISCUSSION

The Time Out Bible Discussion group for mothers of school age children in the benefice meets twice each month on Thursdays at 10am. For further details please contact Julie on 770123 or email julieallen47@btinternet.com or juliepaulmorton@gmail.com.

NEWS FROM COATES

COATES – A TIME FOR REMEMBRANCE AND REFLECTION

On Sunday 5 November at 9.30am in St Matthew's church we will, as usual, remember those people who have died in the previous year and any others who are recorded in the Book of Remembrance who you would like to be named. During the service, we light candles for all those we wish to remember.

On Sunday 12 November at 12.15pm there will be the Coates Remembrance Service at the village war memorial. A wreath will be laid from the people of Coates and the names of the fallen read aloud. Everyone is welcome, especially children.

Hi Everyone

We have some exciting activities that will be taking place at your Village Club over the coming weeks/months.

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COATES

We are open from 8pm to 11pm on Fridays and Saturdays so don't be shy, we'd love to see you here. Membership is only £5pa for individuals and £10pa for the whole family. These small fees help us to put on free things like BBQs and Fireworks Night throughout the year.

Tuesday 31/10 Early opening for Halloween 6 - 9pm. Prizes awarded for best outfits in categories under 6yrs, 6 - 12yrs, over 12yrs and, of course, adults.

Friday 3/11 Early opening at 6pm for Family Games night. Bring some games for a relaxed evening with friends and neighbours.

Saturday 4/11 Bonfire Night (donations towards fireworks are welcome). 5pm until late - Bar and food available. Children's 'Guy' competition.

Friday 1/12 Early opening at 6pm for Family Games night

Saturday 23/12 Traditional Christmas Squares raffle prize draw at 7pm

Tuesday 31/12 New Year's Eve from 8pm in the Village Hall

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Tuesday 21 November



If anyone would like to join the team to help with this event or might like to bake a cake occasionally (you will be reimbursed £5 towards the cost) we would love to hear from you. Please either speak to one of the team on the day.

Many thanks.

COATES VILLAGE CLUB

Bonfire Night

Saturday 4 November

Coates Village Hall



5pm Bar opens

5:30pm Food available

6pm Light the bonfire

7pm Fireworks!

and Children's Guy Competition

Donations of firewood can be brought to the village hall from Sunday 29 October.

COATES GARDENING CLUB

On Thursday 2 November at 7.30pm in Coates village hall the 34th Annual General Meeting of the club will be held. We hope to keep it brief and the meeting is open to all. Afterwards we will enjoy a quiz devised and conducted by Carol Wilson.

Our Christmas Social will be on Thursday 7 December when our special guest will be Roger Morgan who is a good friend of Coates and the Gardening Club. He has visited us, memorably, in the guise of Ship's surgeon, and this year there will be a Christmas theme, so his outfit may come as no surprise. Do come along to hear him and enjoy a glass of wine and a delicious bring and share supper.

Margaret Reynolds 771354

COATES VILLAGE LOTTERY

The October draw for the Coates village lottery was held at the coffee morning. Our prize winners on this occasion were:

First prize	£50	No 21 Pippa Moore
Second prize	£30	No 87 Ann Chilton
Third prize	£20	No 45 Ron Johnston

The next draw will be held in the village hall at the coffee morning in November. New members are always welcome. For information, please apply contact me.

Diana Crane 770976

THE GOOD COMPANIONS

Our next meeting on Thursday 16 November at 2.30pm will be a ladies day at the races. Don't forget your hats ladies, with Gordon and Doreen followed tea, biscuits and a raffle. No raffle prizes required.

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NOTES FROM CULKERTON (cont)

drier, sunnier regions of East Anglia and the South East.

Neonicotinoids may not be to blame. These agricultural pesticides are certainly killing off our bees and other pollinators – the evidence is clear -, but are largely applied before wasps start feeding on nectar. One theory is that treated timber, which worker wasps convert into papier mâché for their nests, might be to blame.

In and around our garden, the hibernated queens were prominent this spring, when the weather was fine, making me think that the workers would be in plaque proportions come August and September, and we'd all end up in A&E; but the workers have been decidedly scarce; incredibly, I may have seen more queens this year than workers (I wish I'd kept tallies).

Whatever, the few nests that are around here will soon empty: the workers will die off when the first proper frosts arrive and the mated queens will venture into hibernation elsewhere (it would be appreciated if they didn't hibernate in our curtains for once). All that will remain in the vacated nests are the few brave insects that breed in wasp nests, as predators or scavengers. Don't underestimate any of them.

Matthew Oates

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION - KEMBLE & DISTRICT BRANCH

Our Annual General Meeting this year is being held at the Thames Head at 7pm on Tuesday 7 November where all members are very welcome.

This year's Annual Remembrance Service will be taking place at Oaksey parish church on Sunday 12 November. Cirencester Band will be playing at this service which starts at 3pm. This service is for everybody – not just Legion members. Light refreshments will be served after this service in the church.

Our Christmas dinner will be held on Friday 1 December at the Thames Head. Members will be receiving more information about this event nearer the time.

If you are not already a member of the Royal British Legion, and would like more information please contact me for details.

Jeremy Clarke – Chairman - 770472

NOTES FROM CULKERTON (cont)

fragrance, Lonicera 'Scentsation' and 'Graham Thomas' both with masses of yellow blooms. The informal hedges of weigela have been pruned with secateurs and the 'Elizabethan Ruffs' of Geo-matting trimmed away and removed, annual weeds also removed with hand tools. This time I had a good look and feel of the soil which is clay overlaying builder's rubble and seems to stay damp/wet; so now I have a much better idea of suitable additions to this garden for the future.

Where there are substantial amounts of stone or, as above, builder's rubble present, add more soil or compost as plants are added or colonise, and the hardcore will disappear and the ground will regenerate.

Sally Oates

WASP BLUES

How many wasps did you see this year, or indeed last year or the year before? Their populations appear to be collapsing, and not just here. Good riddance! You all say, and I rather empathise, as I react badly to their stings; but wasps do more good than harm, preying on a range of smaller insect pests, helping pollination, and playing an important role in the food chain. Furthermore, and somewhat philosophically, what affects insect populations here today will almost certainly affect our own tomorrow; they are canaries in the mineshaft.

There are actually two species: the Common Wasp *vespula vulgaris* and the German Wasp *V. germanica*. I struggle to tell them apart, and I'm supposed to be an entomologist, but basically the German is a little bigger, has a spotty face, is more prone to irritating behaviour, and usually nests underground (in old mouse holes and the like) and avoids roof spaces.

I've conducted rudimentary citizen science surveys, through Twitter and various email groups, which suggest that common wasp populations have been very patchy, UK-wide, for several years. This is not sound science, in fact it's bad science – but it suggests that proper science needs to be conducted. It seems that the common wasps took a big hit nationally in the dire summer of 2012, and have only recovered in a scatter of districts. Sure, they're heat-loving creatures, booming in hot summers and busting in wet summers, and recent summers have been against them. But populations seem to be buoyant in Northern Ireland, which is wet, wet, wet, as well as in the

NEWS FROM SAPPERTON AND FRAMPTON MANSELL

TALKING TO MYSELF

November – a time to remember

We start the month with All Saints Day; a time to remember those who we have known and are now in heaven. In some churches, the names of those who have died during the last year are read out so that we do not forget them.

Then of course, there is November 5th; the foiling of the Gun Powder Plot – a day which so many enjoy because we have bonfires and fireworks. I wonder if we would still celebrate if they had succeeded in blowing up the Houses of Parliament?

And then of course we come to Remembrance Day. When I was a child this was always at 11am on 11th November whatever day of the week it fell on. At school each class would pause to remember. At about five minutes to the hour our lesson would stop and as the hour approached we would be asked to stand and think of those who had fought in war. If it meant anything to us I do not recall. I remember being in town with my mother on the 11th hour. The traffic stopped, men took their hats off and stood to attention. Everywhere it was so quiet. Now of course we come together on the Sunday nearest to 11th November to commemorate not just those who served in the two World Wars but also those who have been involved in conflict in the years since.

There is something very poignant about standing as the clock strikes the hour and we think of those of our parishes and others known personally to us. It is good to remember.

Will you be there at 11am on this 11th November as we commemorate and say; 'At the going down of the sun and in the evening we will remember them'.



SERVICE AND COFFEE

We hold a said communion service, followed by coffee on the first Tuesday of the month, 7 November, at Woodstock in Frampton Mansell. The service will start at 11am with coffee and a natter at 11.30am. We would love to see you for either or both.

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Notice is hereby given that it is the intention of the Secretary of State for Justice, acting on an application by the incumbent and churchwardens, to apply to the Privy Council for an order requiring the discontinuance of burials in the above churchyard. Any representations about the proposed closure should be sent to the Coroners and Burial Team, Ministry of Justice, 102 Petty France, London SW1H 9AJ (quoting reference OPR/075/362) within 21 days of this publication

Please do contact Rev Trevor on 01285 770550 if you would like to discuss this or understand the reasons better. This official closure will have no impact on existing use of the churchyard as it has in effect been unavailable for new plots to be opened since the additional burial ground was opened and that is an entirely separate plot of land not included in this notice.

NOTES FROM CULKERTON

GARDENING TIPS FOR NOVEMBER

As this year prepares for winter, colourful deciduous and evergreen foliage give backdrops to the last blooms of the season before becoming centre stage. Particularly eye-catching this year are the burgundy red leaved trees seen as you drive into Cirencester, *Fraxinus augustifolia* 'Raywood', selected in 1928 for the outstanding autumn foliage. This tree has a pleasing shape and will reach about 15m tall when mature and obviously is not suitable for small gardens. Other tall good burgundy leaved trees are Copper Beech and *Acer platanoides* cultivars, 'Goldsworth Purple', 'Crimson King'; some cultivars have green leaves during the summer which become purple during the autumn like 'Deborah', 'Meyering', 'Reitenbachii' and the small leaved 'Crimson Sentry'. All look beautiful as fallen dry leaves and give that evocative sound of autumn as you walk through them.

Following the same colour theme for smaller trees and shrubs, other fine choices are *Amelanchia lamarkii*, any of the wonderful Japanese Maples or flowering cherries, particularly *Prunus sargentii* or the purple leaved *Prunus cerasifera* 'Pissardii'; this popular tree was introduced to France in 1880 and obtained from the Shah of Iran's head gardener, and can be seen growing locally at the Trouble House on the Tetbury Road.

At the time of writing, grass still seems to be growing apace and as worm casts appear now you can gauge how healthy your garden worm population is by the autumn activity. These small creatures are doing sterling work aerating the ground and taking new humus into the soil, either as top-dressed compost or fallen leaves.

Continue to use clippings and mown grass for home-made compost which can be used in spring.

On my second visit to my daughter's new garden my mower came as well, plus a few basic hand tools. The grass was very long in one area and needed a double cut with the blade set higher and then dropped lower for the second cut. In future an electric mower with collecting grass box should suit them well. Once mown it is a good practice to clip any edges with long handled shears, this immediately gives your garden a groomed look, which also seems to make the space look larger. In between my visits, plants had been fed, trellis painted and a fern & mossy stumpery made. Against one set of trellis two different honeysuckles are now planted for a long flowering time and plenty of

KEMBLE AND DISTRICT RBL WOMEN'S SECTION

At the recent 80th Anniversary of the County RBLWS held at Colesbourne Manor Lady Elwes presented two cups and four certificates to our branch covering membership, efficiency and progress of the branch.

Great news that through special events Kemble and district has received, via the Vintage and Wartime event at Cotswold airport, £1,553, its half share of the proceeds from bucket collections and promotional materials sold and generous donation from the event organizer; the other half was given to the Cirencester branch who shared the workload on the day. Also the joint concert held in the Cirencester Baptist church organized by Kemble and South Cerney branches raised a magnificent total amount of £1,470 which was shared. These monies will all go into the Poppy appeal account.

I give notice that the annual general meeting will be held in Kemble village hall on Thursday 23 November at 2.30pm. Any nominations for committee will be welcome. The speaker at this meeting will be Jim Cunningham MBE who will give us an insight into his life story involving his flying/charity work on behalf of the legion. Everyone is welcome. A delicious tea will be served. A Royal toast will be made to acknowledge the 70th Wedding Anniversary of our Queen and Prince Philip.

Ring me for further details about our group.

Pat Ayres on 770385.

KEMBLE PLAYGROUP

We are urgently seeking local people to join the Kemble Playgroup committee. We currently need key roles of Chairperson and Treasurer in order for the playgroup to continue and additional members for ongoing support. Without a chairperson or treasurer sadly Kemble Playgroup, which has been running since 1973, will close by the end of 2017. You don't need to be a parent of a child at Playgroup. We would welcome local residents with some spare time and passion for a community led playgroup.

Please get in touch if you would like to find out more about the Playgroup and the committee.

Contact Harry on 07934 495823

Kemble and District



Playgroup

PIG, PRIMS & PINTS EVENT

With over 90 tickets sold to residents of Frampton Mansell and Aston Downs, weeks of planning culminated in the Pig, Prims and Pints being held on Sunday 3 September at Frampton Mansell village hall, much to the appreciation of all who attended. The event was held to allow residents to meet in a friendly, convivial atmosphere to renew old acquaintances and make new ones. Although the weather was cold and wet it did not dampen anyone's enthusiasm, the welcome that everyone was met with or that was extended to all. It is also true to say that the roast hog, wine, cake, Prims, Stroud ale, ice cream and selection of cheeses all worked to keep the chill out and the warmth in.

The village hall was resplendent with bunting, tables decorated with flowers and the room alive with conversation. Many thanks to all those who attended the event and also to the team of volunteers who worked extremely hard to make the event a success for the village and its residents.

FRAMPTON MANSELL VILLAGE HALL Tuesday 21 November at 7.30pm My Cousin Rachel

Philip is a young Englishman who finds his cousin Ambrose dead after travelling to Florence, Italy. He vows revenge against Ambrose's missing wife Rachel, blaming her for his untimely demise.

When Philip meets Rachel for the first time, his mood suddenly changes as he finds himself falling for her seductive charm and beauty. As his obsession for her grows, Rachel now hatches a scheme to win back her late husband's estate from the unsuspecting Philip.

Tickets £3.50 per person doors open @ 7pm, film starts @ 7.30pm Tea, coffee, homemade cakes and ice creams available



FRAMPTON MANSELL VILLAGE HALL CREATIVE GROUP

Do you sew, knit, embroider or work on another craft?

Do you have that half-forgotten project in the bottom of a drawer, which you really would like to finish?

Do you need a bit of help with something or a bit of inspiration perhaps?

Well, we can help you with all the above; we get together once a month to work on some of our projects and, of course, eat homemade cake.



Please join us!



We will meet in Frampton Mansell Village Hall

Wednesday 8 November, 10 - 12noon.

We would love to see you there. The cost is £3 to cover hall hire and refreshments.

For further information, please contact:

Teresa Howes

thowes51@gmail.com

Kath Sanderson

kathsanderson@btinternet.com

Messy Church is back!

Come and join us for
Sunday 19 November
3.30 - 5pm

Kemble Primary School
School Road
GL7 6AG

Fun, Games, Craft, Worship & Tea

For more details contact Liz Collins

Tel: 01285 770698 email: e.collins@farming.co.uk



afternoon during term time. Little Squirrels runs from 1.15pm to 2.45pm with a different adult-led activity every week. It's just £2 per child so why not come along?

For more information contact the school on 01285 841284 or visit www.rodmartonschool.co.uk.

More next month - bye for now!

Nutty (the Rodmarton Primary School squirrel!)



STAY, PLAY & MAKE SESSIONS

for babies and toddlers

Friday afternoons 1.15pm - 2.45pm (term time)
at Rodmarton Village Hall

Tea, coffee, juice & biscuits
£2 for first child (£1 siblings)

art & craft • outdoor & indoor activities
gardening • messy play • friendly & fun

**FRIENDS OF
RODMARTON PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Autumn is here! The leaves are turning and starting to fall, and the children are back at Rodmarton Primary School. But, what many of you may not know, is that one afternoon a week the infants' classroom at Rodmarton falls silent and the learning moves to the woods!

Forest School, which has been part of the curriculum at Rodmarton since 2010, helps the children learn through exploration and experimentation, and

complements what they learn in the classroom giving them additional opportunities to develop skills like problem-solving and teamwork.

Research has shown that outdoor learning can be very powerful and memorable as it involves all the senses. Rodmarton's Forest School adds an extra layer to the pupils' classroom education with the children learning to master simple tools, collect wood, make shelters and dens, paint with mud and understand wildlife and nature. And, just as importantly, the children love it!

The children's outdoor learning is celebrated this term with the school's Bonkers Conkers competition, which encourages the pupils to make their own conker creations, and the children will also be making "chocolate apples" for the school's fireworks display in November.

Rodmarton Primary School, which was rated as "good" by Ofsted in September 2016, is growing. As well as the annual intake of children into Reception class, there are also places available across the school. The school is all about individual learning – shaping the teaching to the specific needs of each child.

The school also offers Little Acorns, early morning and after school clubs (from 7.30am to 6pm), with after school activities ranging from tag rugby and football to drama, science, and arts and crafts. There is also a modern library, a resource/computing suite, an extra teaching room and a huge 2.5 acre sports field.

Parents at the school have described it as "a hidden gem" but come and have a look for yourself. We're having two open mornings – 9am to 11am – on Wednesday 15th and Wednesday 29th November.

The Friends of Rodmarton School have also started the "Little Squirrels - Stay, Play and Make" group for preschool children which takes place in Rodmarton Village Hall (next to the school) on Friday



SCHOOL TIES - SAPPERTON SCHOOL NEWS



Schools Out! And the Autumn Term has got off to a flying start with excellent results in the Inter Schools Football Tournament at Deer Park. Despite the school's relatively small size, the Sapperton squad played really well throughout and came 4th out of 12 teams! If this wasn't enough, further success was gained in the Quicksticks (that's Flight Deck Hockey to the uninitiated) competition, also at Deer Park, where Sapperton again punched well over its weight, coming 5th out of 20 teams and through to the Cotswold Finals! And just wait for next month when I will be in a position to reveal the results from the Juniors X-Country Competition! And then there has been more Watersports at the Cotswold Water Park for Years 4, 5 and 6 where a gallant band of mariners venture out on the High Seas in canoes, kayaks and paddleboards - always ending in the "great leap-off from the pontoon" and splash back to shore. Great fun for all and now over after yet another successful season. Roll on next summer and this hugely enjoyable activity will, hopefully, be getting under way again.

Harvest on the Farm took place once again on Sunday 1 October at Park Corner Farm where, as has become the custom, a lovely lunch was provided by Jeremy and Stevie Hoskins. This event has very much become a part of the Sapperton calendar, as indeed has the Harvest Service on the school allotment which took place in brilliant autumn sunshine the following Friday and was attended by many parents, some of whom even joined in with the words and actions of the "Big Red Combine Harvester" harvest hymn! This was followed by a Coffee Morning and School Open Day at which much interest was shown by prospective parents.

And inside the school, another photography workshop has taken place, linking this time with the ongoing literacy topic of Dragons in Years 3 & 4, and Big Cats in Years 5 & 6. Beware if you are visiting the school as the nights start drawing in as I am told that some of these pictures may be displayed or re-photographed in the school grounds to make them look real: You have been warned....

And talking of dark evenings, upper desks are now darkened, navigation lights are turned out and burning brightly and the school sails on through Halloween, Bonfire night and the run up to Christmas (surely the most exciting time in a primary school?) – More details of festive activities next month!

Molesworth

Sapperton and Frampton Mansell Parish Council
Defibrillator Awareness - short session
FREE for village residents

When a person suffers a Sudden Cardiac Arrest their chances of survival decreases with every minute waiting for an ambulance. It is very important to act quickly and, in many cases, a community defibrillator can make all the difference.



The Parish Council is installing an Automated External Defibrillator (AED) in the Old Bus Shelter in Sapperton and in the Telephone Box in Frampton Mansell.

Anyone can use an AED. We are providing two awareness sessions, which will be delivered by an experienced and well qualified First Aid Trainer. The sessions will give you the confidence to know what to do in an emergency.

- **Saturday 11 November, 11am to 12 noon, in Sapperton Village Hall**
- **Saturday 18 November, 11am to 12noon, in Frampton Mansell Village Hall**

Tea and coffee from 10.30am

To book your place telephone 01285 760480 or email sappertonandfmpc@btinternet.com

Places are limited and only available by prior booking

**NEWS FROM RODMARTON, TARLTON,
CULKERTON AND HAZLETON**

RODMARTON CHILDREN'S CHURCH CHOIR

Forthcoming choir services at St Peter's are:

Sunday, 5 November, 11am – **All Saints**

Sunday, 3 December, 11am – **Advent**

Please also note:

Sunday 12 November at 10.55am – **Remembrance Sunday** at St Peter's, with act of remembrance (joint with Tarlton).

DATES FOR THE DIARY

Saturday 2 December - Christmas Bazaar in the village hall with Father Christmas, mulled wine & mince pies, craft stalls & attractions. More details will follow nearer the time.

RODMARTON PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS

The school is holding two open mornings for prospective parents. The school, which Ofsted rated as "Good" in September 2016, has places available throughout all years and offers early morning and after school clubs from 7.30am until 6pm.

Come and have a look around.

9am to 11am – Wednesday 15th and Wednesday 29th November.

Little Squirrels - Stay, Play and Make sessions for babies and toddlers in Rodmarton Village Hall.

1.15-2.45pm every Friday in term time

Tea, coffee, juice and biscuits and a different adult-led activity every week.

For more information on the open mornings or Little Squirrels call 01285 841284 or visit www.rodmartonschool.co.uk

RODMARTON PARISH COUNCIL

The parish council meetings are held in Rodmarton village hall on the 3rd Tuesday of every third month at 7pm. Future dates are 21 November (when the precept will be set), 20 February 2018 and 15 May 2018 which will include the AGM.



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