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Chalke Talk

(The newsletter of the
Chalke Valley Team)

Lent, Easter and Mothering Sunday (from the Editor)

During Lent, apart from the various study groups, full details of which can be found in Chalke Talk (at the N&N website or in churches), there are two events of special note. One is a **Lent Lunch** on **1st March**, proceeds of which will go to the Lent Project. Full details can be found on page 3. I know Debby Underhill will be delighted to see any who can make it. The other is the **Bible Reading Marathon** from 10th to 15th March in the Chapel at Broad Chalke. If you'd like to participate please call Janet Roe on 01722 781112 – otherwise just turn up during one or more of those days and listen.

In addition to all the Easter Services listed below, there will be the **Good Friday Experience** at **Bishopstone**. Teddy and Mary Penn of Charlton went last year and have sent me this note: "May we just urge anyone reading of the Good Friday plans for Bishopstone that to make that extra little effort will bring a rich reward. We spent an unforgettable hour there last year - all was very quiet and the tableaux depicting the events of Maundy Thursday, Good Friday and Easter were so realistically portrayed that we were both deeply moved - please do try to get there for a short time." It's open from 10am to 9pm with Devotional Services at 2-3pm and 8-9pm.

The first Sunday of the month is **Mothering Sunday** and here is an extract of a letter I have received from Angela Moules: "Mothering Sunday is the 4th Sunday of Lent, when servant girls were given a day off to visit their mother, often picking a little bunch of primroses and dog violets in the hedgerows to take with them. If she had a kind mistress she might be given a Simnel cake to take too." I'm sure flowers will be in evidence at our morning services that day. Why not come to one? All will be very welcome at the Easter services too!

Church of England Services

Sunday, 2 nd March Mothering Sunday	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am 6.00pm	Parish Communion Family Service Mothering Sunday Service Evensong BCP	Britford Nunton Coombe Bissett Hominaton	AW ACFT AW DH
Sunday, 9 th March Lent 5	9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Family Communion Matins BCP Parish Communion	Odstock Charlton All Saints Coombe Bissett	AW DB AW
Sunday, 16 th March Palm Sunday	8.00am 9.30am 9.30am	Holy Communion BCP Parish Communion Family Communion	Britford Nunton Hominaton	AW AW CH
Friday, 21 st March Good Friday (see above)	12 noon 2.00pm	Devotional Service Devotional Service	Britford Nunton	CH CH
Sunday, 23 rd March Easter Day	8.00 9.30 9.30am 11.00am 11.00am	Holy Communion BCP Parish Communion Family Communion Parish Communion Family Communion	Hominaton Charlton All Saints Odstock Britford Coombe Bissett	AW AW CH CH AW
Sunday, 30 th March Easter 2	10.00am	Parish Communion	Coombe Bissett	AW

AW = Revd Alison Williams, DH = Revd Canon David Henley, CH = Revd Charles Hatton
DB = Denis Blake, ACFT = Adrian Taylor BCP = Book of Common Prayer

WI Report

Julia Joynt

Sue Bourne, the President, greeted an almost overwhelming crowd to the meeting held in the Radnor Hall on 11th February. She introduced three visitors and welcomed new members, including Ashleigh Smith our youngest member, who had received quite a lot of publicity in WI magazines and the Salisbury Journal. Hatty Hillier, with her crutches and a broken leg was also welcomed back. Anne Waight was thanked for her charming posy of spring flowers.

The business meeting covered forthcoming events and invitations including a visit to Kew Gardens, a polo day at Westonbirt and a bridge lunch. Theatre plans and some successful skittles and scrabble events were discussed, as were the village Fête, the summer garden party and the WI outing fixed for 16th July.

During the coffee break we browsed through and bought books on the "Bring a book/buy a book" table. Sue Bourne won the flower of the month with a rhododendron.

We were then entertained by Mrs Marion Emery, (on her second visit), whose talk was called "Reflections and a 5-piece Walnut Bedroom Suite". This was really her life story which she told in a warm, earthy, moving and extremely funny way, covering her early childhood, her adoptive family and their eccentricities, her love of music and the various jobs she had during her life, punctuated with delightful and appropriate (or inappropriate!) anecdotes. She and her family were accompanied always by the 5-piece walnut bedroom suite in various forms until its demise a few years back. We hope we will hear her again. She was warmly thanked by Jill Dodd.

The next meeting will be the AGM on 11th March.

Odstock Primary School

The children enjoyed a wonderful springtime experience when the whole school helped to plant 128 lavender bushes to create a hedge around our junior playground. We look forward to the fragrant aromas and colour this new hedge will bring in the summer.

We welcome Phillippa Gibson as our new Parent Governor. Phillippa lives in Nunton and has Jamie in Year 3 and Peter who will be joining us in September. It is always good to have members of the local community represented on the school governing body.

If you would like to recycle your printer ink cartridges, please drop them in to the school office in a sealed bag.

Odstock Primary School (cont.)

Please pop any Sainsbury's vouchers through our letterbox. Last year we were able to collect enough to order a set of hockey sticks and balls for use on the astro turf during the winter months. So many thanks to those of you that donated your vouchers to our school.

Dog Walking

I live in Britford and have a very delightful, gregarious and incredibly energetic and bumptious yellow Labrador who is 10 months old - all the mania of an enthusiastic toddler and the strength of a bulldozer. (He is not at all aggressive).

It would be so great to find another dog walker locally, preferably with a big Labrador or Retriever (they seem to play in the same rumbustuous way), or any breed of the same rough-and-tumble nature, to do a morning walk (between 8 and 10ish?). Please call Annabel Lawson on 01722 413913.

Book Group/Play Reading Group

Annabel Lawson

I would very much like to join or start a book group/play reading group locally. Am personally keen on keeping up with modern literature as well as catching up on some of the classics I never got round to... Anyone interested? Please call 01722 413913.

The Acorn Social Club at The Orchard

The residents of The Orchard in Nunton are starting The Acorn Social Club which will be open to non-residents. We will shortly be advertising activities. Your support would be very much appreciated.

Enquiries to Doreen Burns, 19 The Orchard, 01722 416377.

Inter-Village Quiz

Friday 25th April 2007

at

The Radnor Hall, Bodenham

7.30pm

Fish and Chips Supper

Bring your own drinks

Make up a team of 4 - 6 people

£8 per person

For tickets please contact

Chris Clark 01725 510891

or Jenifer Withers 01725 510796

Any profits to Charlton All Saints church fund.

Neighbourhood Policing

Local Priorities

At our recent Neighbourhood Tasking Group meeting (NTG includes representatives from all Parishes across Downton NPT) the local priorities for the coming 3 month period were decided as-

- 1- Anti-Social Behaviour in Moot Lane area of Downton.
- 2- Speeding at designated locations across all Parishes
- 3- High profile enforcement of HGV weight restriction – Downton/ Redlynch (following completion of bridgeworks)

The enforcement of the weight restriction is a new priority and has been put in place in response to concerns from local residents.

Local crime report

Recent local crimes – (011207-110208)

151207 – overnight burglary to shed – Bodenham – garden power tools stolen

130108 – overnight theft of bicycle Shepherds Close, Odstock – bicycle recovered nearby – offender subsequently identified and charged

There have also been 11 reported crimes at Salisbury District Hospital within this period.

These crimes are listed for information as to local crime patterns but our overall crime figures show that crime is down nearly 20% when compared with last year.

How to contact your local police

You can contact the team directly by phoning 0845 408 7000 and entering our extension no. - 742 820/822. If there is no reply on this extension it doesn't mean no-one is on duty – we prioritise visible patrol whenever possible. Our switchboard can tell you if a NPT member is on duty and can take a message for us to contact you. You can also email us with non-urgent enquiries: matt.holland@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk
Pc 1157 Matt Holland, Community Beat Manager
jeremy.horner@wiltshire.pnn.police.uk
Pc 1460 Jem Horner, Community Beat Officer
Downton Neighbourhood Policing Team

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Britford Primary School Notes

"Buy me a cake!" by Claire Leese

On Wednesday 13th February, Britford Primary School held a Cake Sale in the school hall. Lots of parents and staff participated by bringing home made cakes and biscuits in for the occasion. Furthermore, the stall holders raised a staggering £130 with the help of the children's donations the next day. All this money is going towards improving the playground's facilities and new 'game' markings.

"I really liked the cake sale because of the wide variety of different cakes" says one of the pupils at Britford. We are very pleased with the amount of money raised and we are looking forward to the improvements on playground facilities.

"Valentine's Day" by Lillie Coughlan

Britford Primary School had a special Valentine's Day where the children could wear red, purple or pink. The children formed a heart shape in the playground before they could go into school. They raised money for improving playground facilities. They raised a total of £130.00.

The Radnor Hall Development Update

Next month sees the start of our extension programme. We have succeeded in winning over £50,000 in grants from The Big Lottery Fund, the Land Fill Tax Credits Scheme and Wiltshire County Council.

The programme will result in a new storage area, easier access for disabled users and improved toilets. All of this will help make the hall more attractive to a wide range of users as well as benefiting all our current users.

Local builders Jas. Dolman will start on site on Monday, 3rd March, with completion planned for early May. The hall will remain open for business during the building work.

If you would like further information, please contact either Harry Joynt on 01722 329782 or Brian Clake on 01722 340261.



Lent Lunch

at Longford Farmhouse, Bodenham

Saturday, 1st March
12.00 noon – 2.00pm

In aid of MISSION TO SEAFARERS
Chalke Team Lent Project

RAFFLE/SOUP AND PLOUGHMAN'S LUNCH - £6
All welcome – do come.

More details from Debby Underhill 01722 329769

Charlton All Saints Garden Society

Mondays

31st March

'Gardening on Chalk'
Sarah Coles

28th April

'Dahlias for Pleasure and Exhibition'
Bryan Madders

19th May

Bedding Plants and Annuals

(Please note date) Kelvin Mason

Summer outing, September and October meetings to be arranged

Barbara Box, 01725 510758 – oldcharlton@btinternet.com

PALM SUNDAY, 16th March at 7.00pm

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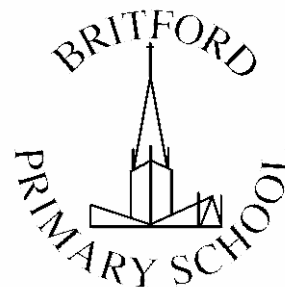
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What do Governors do? They have 3 roles: to provide a strategic view, to act as a critical friend and to ensure accountability.

How much time will I have to commit? Governor duties differ depending on your circumstances and the time you have available. The full governing body meets 6 times a year and you will probably belong to a sub-committee so there is an expectation that you will at least be able to attend as many of those meetings as you can.

At Britford School these are some of the things we are proud of:

- Excellent teaching in small groups including specialist music teacher
- High academic achievements and success rates in the 11+
- Participation in regional sports festivals
- A good Ofsted report in 2005 and a good PE Ofsted in July 2007
- An excellent working environment for pupils to develop fully
- High expectations of pupil behaviour.



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<u>Regular Events</u>	
WI	Second Monday of the month, 10.00am, Radnor Hall, Bodenham
Whist Drive	Every Thursday, 7.30pm, Barker Room, Nunton
Singing Group	Every Tuesday (ex. Aug/Dec.), 7.30pm, Barker Room (contact Adrian Taylor on 01722 325862)
Tiny Tots	Wednesdays (ex. Aug.) 9.45 – 11.45am, Radnor Hall, Bodenham (Suzie Orchiton on 01722 502026)
Mobile Library	Britford (recycling area), alt. Thursdays, 9.30 – 9.40am (6 th & 20 th March, 3 rd April) Charlton All Saints ('phone box), alt. Fridays, 10.15 – 10.30am (29 th February, 14 th & 28 th March, 11 th April) Nunton (The Orchard), monthly, 11.55 – 12.25pm (19 th March)
Open Circle Folk Dancing	2 nd , 4 th and 5 th Mondays each month, 7.30pm, Radnor Hall (Clare Chitty on 01722 330871)
<u>Diary Dates</u>	
1 st March	Lent Lunch, Longford Farmhouse (see page 3)
1 st March	Table Top Sale, Bishopstone Village Hall, 10.00 – 12.00 (Contact Millie Holder - 01722 780186) (see last month)
10 – 15 th March	Bible Reading Marathon, Broad Chalke Chapel (see page 1)
16 th March	Stainer's Crucifixion, All Saints, Broad Chalke, 7.00pm (see page 4)
25 th April	Inter-Village Quiz, Radnor Hall, Bodenham, 7.30pm (see page 2)
12 th July	Odstock, Nunton and Bodenham Grand Fête, Nunton Field, 1.30pm (Peter Pod and the Peas on 11 th July)

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