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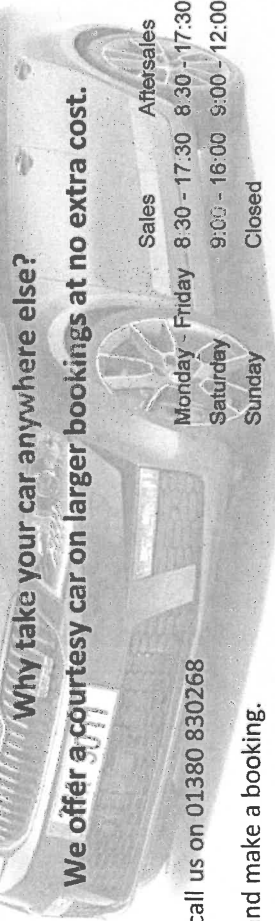


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# 'THE NEWS' April 2015

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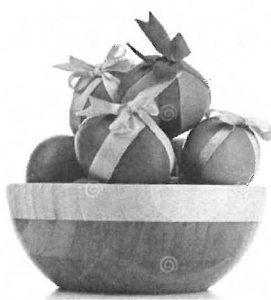
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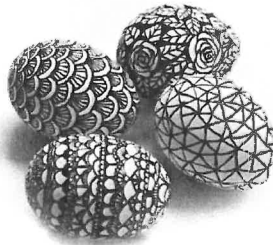


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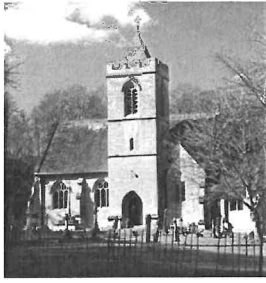
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9 May Plant Sale, 2pm. Plants, raffle, refreshments.  
Any donations of plants gratefully received and can be dropped off at the Church.



### COULSTON CHURCH FLOWERS

LENT — 18th February to 4th April

EASTER DAY — Sunday 5th April

Mrs M. Hicks and Mrs P. Johnson

### STATISTIC OF THE MONTH

Fly tipping and fast food litter have both increased by 20% in the last year. It now costs local authorities up to £850m a year to clear up litter. £56m of that goes on the clearing up of chewing gum. 35% of total litter consists of smoker's materials.

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## Selflessness & Sacrifice

At the time of writing this article, the local churches have just had their Mothering Sunday celebrations. It is always wonderful to see so many families and extended families gathering from all over the country and enjoying themselves. In many ways, the church is just like one big family.

On Mothering Sunday we remember the many sacrifices that mothers (and fathers!) make for their children. In my last round of school assemblies, children talked about the sacrifices that they had seen. Parents, I was told, gave up their time to do all sorts of things to help their families: cooking and cleaning, shopping and playing games with the children (to keep them occupied) were high on the list. Ferrying children around like a taxi service was also appreciated! Children really valued all that their parents did for them, and the way that they were cared for and looked after, especially when they were sick or feeling vulnerable: children appreciated the fact that their parents gave up their sleep to make sure that they were alright.

Sometimes there are things which don't often get said, but which children appreciate nonetheless: some children were aware, to a degree, of how many families struggled financially, and of the sacrifices made to make ends meet. Some children were also aware of some of the sacrifices of careers that, particularly mothers, had sometimes chosen to make. Equally, the vast contribution made by mothers who worked long hours to support their families was truly valued. I wonder how many people reading this article have recollections of their mothers giving up some of their own food for them? Quite a lot of people reading this may have been the recipients of such generosity and sacrifice without actually realising it at the time.

This spirit of self-lessness is something that the Bible advocates. We've been talking about this recently in our Benefice Lent Course. Christians are called to pay less and less attention to their own will, and to try to discern more and more what God wants - and then to put this into practice. This sometimes involves great spiritual determination and sacrifice (and interested readers can pursue the matter further by referring to the writings of John of the Cross), but if successful, the result is a more self-less person, more attuned to God, and more responsive to the needs of others. In short, a better 'likeness' of Christ.

I think that the sacrifices associated with parenthood make us into better, more self-less, people. It's not the only way of becoming a better person - far from it - but it is a good training ground for giving up things and putting others first –and it enables you to see life differently, and to become a different person. God bless you all,

*Revd Mark Jones, Rector of Bratton, Edington & Imber, Erlestoke and Coulston.*

SERVICES IN THE BENEFICE APRIL 2015

Sunday	Bratton	Edington	Erlestoke	Coulston
<b>GOOD FRIDAY</b>	10AM ECUMENICAL WALK OF WITNESS to PICQUET HILL  7.30PM THE CROSS OF CHRIST St James'	1PM GOOD FRIDAY LITURGY.		
<b>EASTER EVE</b>	20.00 CHRIST IN QUIET at St James'	20.00 THE EASTER LITURGY		
1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday <b>5<sup>th</sup> April</b> <b>EASTER DAY</b>	08.00 HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)  11.00 FAMILY-FRIENDLY COMMUNION	09.30 PARISH COMMUNION FOR EASTER (CW)	09.30 EASTER PARISH COMMUNION (CW)	11.00 EASTER PARISH COMMUNION (CW)
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday <b>12<sup>th</sup> April</b> <i>Second Sunday of Easter</i>	08.00 HOLY COMMUNION (CW)  11.00 PARISH COMMUNION(CW)  18.00 SING PRAISE	09.30 PARISH COMMUNION (CW)  <i>Refreshments followed by APCM at Edington Parish Hall.</i>	9.30 FAMILY WORSHIP	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday <b>19<sup>th</sup> April</b> <i>Third Sunday of Easter</i>	08.00 HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)  11.00 THIRD SUNDAY SERVICE AT BCI	09.30 PARISH COMMUNION (CW)	18.30 EVENSONG	11.00 PARISH COMMUNION (CW)
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday <b>26<sup>th</sup> April</b> <i>Fourth Sunday of Easter</i>	11.00 PARISH COMMUNION (CW)	08.00 HOLY COMMUNION (BCP)  11.00 FAMILY WORSHIP  18.30 EVENSONG	9.30 PARISH COMMUNION	

**SELECTED SPECIAL EVENTS:**

**Public Morning & Evening Prayer:** Mondays and Tuesdays (9am, 5pm) -at Bratton; Wednesday and Thursdays at Edington (9am), 5pm at Bratton;

**Wednesday Communion Services:**

At 9.30am on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 22<sup>nd</sup> and 29<sup>th</sup> April and at 2.30pm on the 15<sup>th</sup> at Shepherd's Cottage, Edington

**APCMs:** Edington (12/4 at the Parish Hall), Erlestoke 16/4 (Church), Coulston (28/4 at the Village Hall).

**Re-commissioning of our Lay Pastoral Assistants:** please pray for them all on the 18<sup>th</sup> April at Salisbury Cathedral.

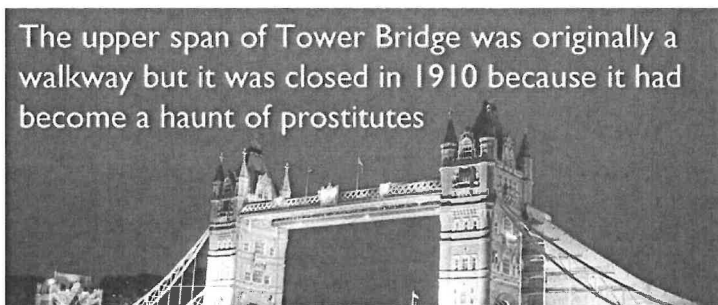




Natal is an 11 year old girl from a poor Muslim family living in Jerusalem. She joined the pre-school section of the Rawdat El Zuhur School in the Autumn of 2007. Since June 2009 the children of Edington Priory Church have been sponsoring her education through Embrace the Middle East – a charity which helps Christian partners, like Rawdat El Zuhur School, tackle poverty and injustice by sharing the love of God with those in need in the Middle East. £216 is the yearly sponsorship for Natal. We like to be able to send more money each year to help the school with its valuable work in this community.

Rawdat El Zuhur School in Jerusalem provides an education for children who mostly come from lower income families in the East Jerusalem community. Up to 250 children aged between 4 and 12 years old attend the school- a primary school with a kindergarten. Natal would be unlikely, as a girl from a poor family, to have access to education if it were not for that provided by the school to enable girls like Natal to attend. The name of the school literally means Garden of Flowers and the founder of the school wanted the school to be just that- a garden of happy girls looking like flowers and radiating joy.

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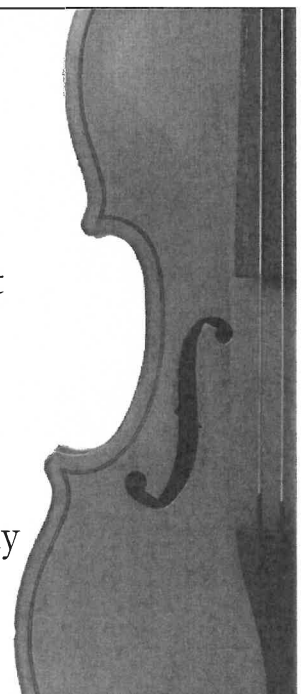
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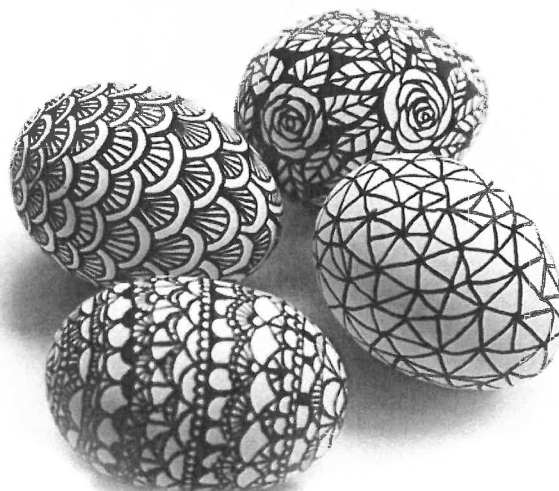
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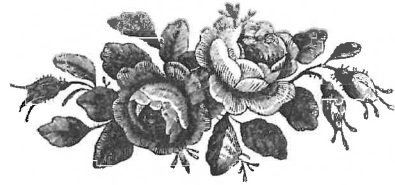
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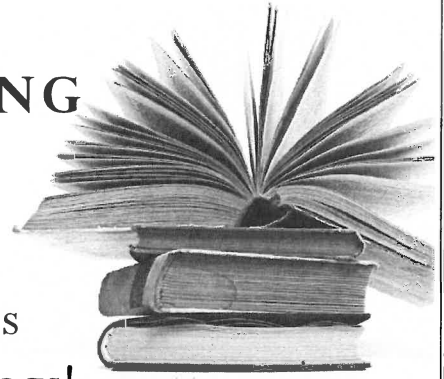
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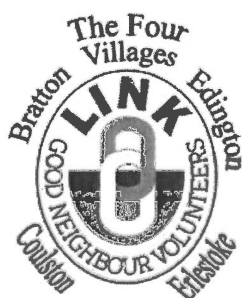
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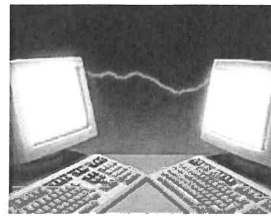
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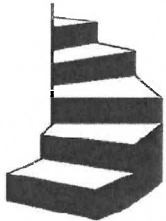


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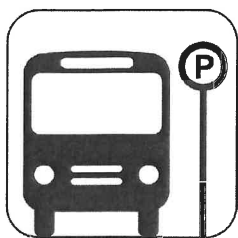
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## I STILL NEED THE CHOCOLATE!...Kim Johnston



Our training for the London 2015 MoonWalk in May is thoroughly under way. The thought of the 26.2 mile walk around London at night is starting to make even the fittest in our group go a little pale! But what delights we get to see on our training walks. During the day the snowdrops are a welcome sight, the busy wren in the hedgerow always on the move and the small signs that spring is just around the corner. A lucky few even caught sight of a kingfisher along the canal towpath – a brilliant flash of blue. At night there is less to admire but we were treated to a beautiful full moon the other night surrounded by an ice halo – truly a stunning sight that made us all stop in our tracks and stare.

Not such a good sight is some of us in our Lycra leggings – not a pretty picture! The sight of me in my training garb with my head torch on full beam is enough to make my family dissolve into hysterics. I'm informed, as the tears roll down their cheeks, that they are laughing with me - not at me! Sometimes I'm not so sure, but it's all for a great cause so I really don't mind.

We have been delighted by the amount of support we have received so far. Thank you – it is very much appreciated.

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With the longer daylight hours and relatively dry weather during late Feb/March, the training venues for some of the teams are now changing to outdoor locations:



**The Under 6's** (year 1) have over 18 children turning up for training on Friday afternoons after School, at Worton Five Lanes School site, followed by training for the Under 9s and 10s.



Whilst the **Under 7/8s** and Reception year who were training at Lavington School Sports Hall, will be changing to an outdoor location

**The Under 12** group have had a 100% success record so far this year, with a recent win at home against Melksham Harriers – well done to all team members.



**At the Adult** level of the Club, the Saturday team who are in the Trowbridge & District League have not fared so well this season picking up only 9 points at the time of going to print. The Sunday adult team who are in the Chippenham League have so far put in a great seasons performance, currently in 2nd with 38 points.

### Team contact details:

Reception Year (tasters) + Under 7 & 8's: Dave 07843 678 781 or Mark 01380 813 160 . U6 & 9 & 10 – Jason 07590 427 999 .

U11: Ian 01380 848 437; U12: Jake 07741 306 303; U14: Neil 01380 818 193. U16's : Mike 07854 320 605 ; Adults: Paul 01380 727 242 or Chris 01380 812 339





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*Maggie Atterbury.*

## EDINGTON MAY BALL

Villagers in Edington will again be holding their annual charity fund raising May Ball on Saturday 23 May.

The event – now in its eleventh year – raises money for the Bath Cancer Unit Support Group, the Help for Heroes Charity and for local, village, causes. Music will be supplied by the Steeple Rocks Choir and by local rock band, Purple Fish and the

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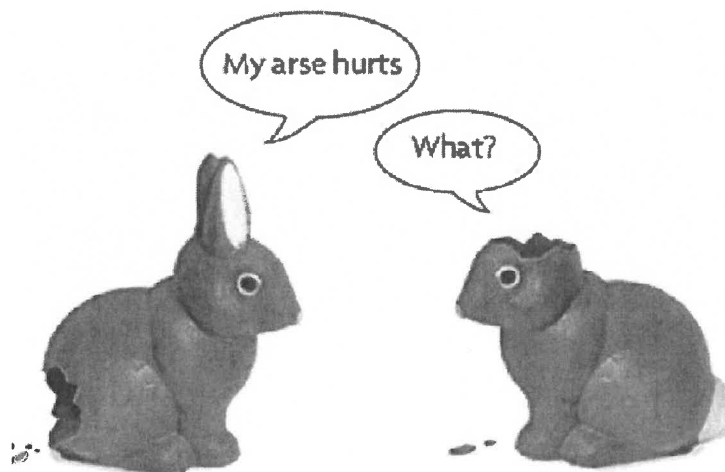
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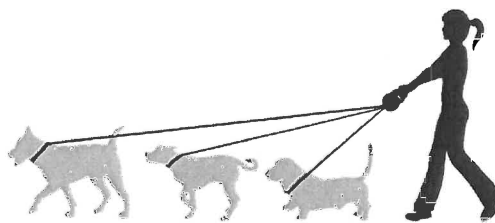
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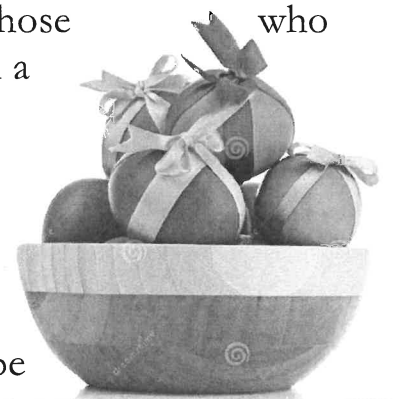
Mr John Jameson-Davis this month's speaker is a handwriting expert who gives advice on the authenticity of signatures on documents such as wills and cheques as well as understanding personality traits from handwriting. He gave us a lively and informative talk on how handwriting expresses our personalities. We write automatically and our unconscious mind may be revealed. We learned that whereas our signatures do not usually change much throughout life our handwriting does.

The history of understanding personality through handwriting goes back to Suetonius the Roman Historian who was the first to criticise handwriting. Camillo Baldi in the 17th century built up graphology and the work of Jean Nichol in the 19th century is still studied by experts. In 1930 psychologists such as Jung were interested in looking at the unconscious personality traits handwriting reveals. Today seeing what our handwriting reveals about our unconscious mind is used by employers to look at our work attitudes, aspirations, concentration levels, whether we are cautious and can multi task for example. "We are what we write". In conjunction, psychometric testing, which relies on the conscious mind, is also used.

John went on to explain the way we slant our handwriting, whether our letters are rounded or elongated, large or small, the width of margins, the pressure used when making upward and downward strokes all contribute to the study of our personalities. However he stressed the need to take the whole picture into account and that individual traits could not be taken in isolation. He showed us several examples of handwriting to illustrate this.

Finally he explained that brain research is showing that we neglect handwriting at our peril. We use less brain power with a keyboard and it is shown that children who use keyboards are less disciplined in the classroom than those who use pen and ink. It is a case of use it or lose it. There followed a lively question and answer session which continued during the refreshments.

The next meeting is on 14<sup>th</sup> April at 1.45pm at the United Reformed Church Hall. Speaker Mrs Priscilla Gray. "25 years sitting on a bench" (The Life of a JP). A reminder that the AGM takes place on 12<sup>th</sup> May when the new committee will be elected. *Julie Vince*



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## Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools (SIAMS)

Although we are no longer subject to onsite Ofsted visits as our Outstanding performance has been sustained year on year and our performance is checked and analysed at central government each year, we are still subject to SIAMS. The SIAMS inspectors look at our academic results and make judgements on them but, more importantly in our opinion, they look at the spiritual, moral, social and cultural development of our children, they check on discipline in the school and on how happy children and parents are with the school. We were delighted when the inspection on 26th February confirmed that our school is outstanding in all criteria used for this inspection. The full report can be read on this link: <http://holy-trinity.co.uk/wp-content/uploads/2011/11/Holy-Trinity-SIAMS-March-15.pdf>.

Some of the comments made by the inspector include the following:

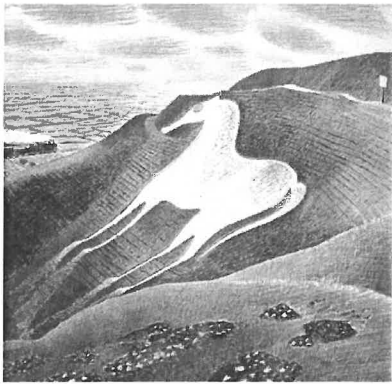
The clearly defined Christian vision and values are firmly rooted in this school, influencing every aspect of school life and leading to academic standards that are well above the national average. Behaviour is exemplary. Pupils are enthusiastic about their school and its values, saying, “this is a warm, welcoming, wonderful school.”

Older pupils have a clear understanding...that they are being given experiences and insights that enable them to form their own opinions and make their own choices. Pupils are questioning, outward looking and keen to pursue their knowledge and understanding still further. The spiritual and moral development of pupils is exceptional. They understand that their responses directly affect others and, as a result, are thoughtful and caring, applying the school’s Christian values in a manner that ensures respect and harmony. Worship is exceptionally well planned and inclusive, giving a range of experiences that engage and interest all pupils, whether of faith or not. Quality provision gives the pupils many experiences to develop a range of skills and attributes such as empathy, reasoning, philosophical thought and the chance to develop their own opinions...the deeply embedded Christian vision and values are seen daily, both in actions and relationships across the school.

Parents praised the school unreservedly, likening it to a family where everyone is loved and forgiven, giving pupils the confidence to make mistakes, to learn and to aspire.

It is a great privilege to work in such a wonderful school with such an outstanding team, where Christian values and teachings are the foundation for everything that happens and upon which all our success is built.





## A MESSAGE FROM RICHARD GAMBLE WILTSHIRE COUNCILLOR FOR THE LAVINGTONS & ERLESTOKE DIVISION

Historical anniversaries seem to be coming thick and fast. We are still in the midst of the WW1 centenary, but this year also marks the bicentenary of Waterloo, the 300th anniversary of the first Jacobite Rebellion and the 600th anniversary of Agincourt. All of those conflicts were seminal events for our country.

But perhaps the most influential moment that we are marking this year is the 800th anniversary of the signing of the Magna Carta in 1215. That document was a foundation of the emerging English Parliament and established the principle that the liberty of the people should prevail over the despotic rule of kings.

I cannot profess that Magna Carta proves that the pen is mightier than the sword as it has often been used to justify military action. Protagonists in the Civil War, the Glorious Revolution and the American War of Independence each cited Magna Carta to warrant their cause.

Edmund Burke, writing at about the same time as the American War of Independence (he was pro) and the French Revolution (he was anti), said “Those who don’t know history are destined to repeat it”. If he was right, we should sit up and take notice.

Fortunately, tyranny has not recently prevailed in this country and we can take comfort that the liberty of the people will again be exhibited by a General Election in May. Sadly, however, despotic rule continues to be prevalent in some other parts of the world. The tyrants are rarely kings these days but they can be political dictators or, increasingly, cultural or religious oppressors who seek to deny freedom of thought or the right to debate. Burke, said “All tyranny needs to gain a foothold is for people of good conscience to remain silent”, so we must not be complacent.

As for the lessons of the past, Henry Ford said “History is bunk”. Of course, he was trying to suggest that we should not dwell too much on what happened before but we should live in the present and look to the future. He may have had a point. Easter is upon us and, of all the Christian festivals, Easter encourages us to look forward with confidence. Happy Easter!

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



## ERLESTOKE PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

The Parish Council met on the 4th of March 2015 in the village Church at 7.30pm. All Councillors were present.

Discussions took place regarding the status of the George and Dragon public house. It was noted that the business has been closed since the 23rd of February 2015. Cllr Morgan-Frise advised that she had submitted the application plus signatures as required for the building to become an Asset of

Community Value and the clerk was asked to do the same on behalf of the Parish Council. The clerk advised that the comprehensive document of objection to the change of use to residential for the George and Dragon, prepared by Cllr Lewcock and agreed by all the Councillors, had been submitted to Wiltshire Council. The estimated time for a formal decision on the planning application is the end of March. Following on from this discussion the council decided to send out a questionnaire to all residents in the village asking their view on the continued use of the pub building and whether they would be supportive of a community project. The outcome of this questionnaire will be discussed at the next Parish Council meeting on the 15th of April 2015.

It was also decided that the Parish Council would like to begin the process of preparing a Neighbourhood Plan which will list the things the residents would and would not like in the village. This will be on the agenda for the Annual Parish Meeting on the 22nd of April 2015 at 7.30pm in the Village Church. We are also welcoming Sally Willox, the Youth Services Co-ordinator for the Devizes Area who will tell us about her ideas for engaging young people in the Devizes Area. Please do come along and join us.

Finally, the Parish Council has a vacancy for a councillor and is looking to co-opt in the very near future. If you are interested please send a letter of introduction to the Parish Council Clerk Anita Whittle – email [erlestokepc@btinternet.com](mailto:erlestokepc@btinternet.com). If you are interested in finding out more about what being Councillor entails please either contact Stan Jonik on 01380 831 191 or the clerk Anita Whittle on 01380 830 765.

### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Wed 15th April 2015**

Parish Council meeting – 7.30pm in the Village Church.

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The Priory Church, Edington, Saturday 20th June at 9.30am–7pm

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Contact Anne Curtis at [anne@edingtonarts.org](mailto:anne@edingtonarts.org) or 01380 831454 for information.



## NEWS FROM YOUR WILTSHIRE COUNCILLOR JERRY WICKHAM

I would like to start by wishing you all a Happy Easter.

As we move into a new financial year, the budget for Wiltshire Council has been set and we begin delivering services with £30m less than we previously had and, irrespective of the result of the election in May, we are likely to face an ongoing reduction in budgets over the next few years. In 2014/15 we saved £25.5 million as a result of reviewing our services and looking at how we deliver these more efficiently, which included sharing resources with Wiltshire police.

Despite all of this, the Council is continuing to invest, amongst many other areas, in Wiltshire's roads. £84 million has been allocated to resurface roads over the next four years and £26 million will be spent on road maintenance - including filling potholes. This includes repairing sections of the B3098 in towards Westbury due to its poor condition in several places.

On a local basis, Westbury Area Board meets in the Jubilee Hall at Bratton on Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> April at 7pm and residents from the villages are welcome to attend. An issue being discussed is the effects from an ageing population and the increase in dementia, and what we as communities can do to address the situation. Another item being determined is the transferring of the ownership of the allotments at Coulston, from Wiltshire Council to the Parish Council. And finally, the Coulston & Erlestoke Cricket Club recently benefitted from a £3000 grant from the board, for cricket nets and equipment, and I hope these will be of great use.

In the meantime, if you have an issue, please feel free to make contact either through my email address [jerry.wickham@wiltshire.gov.uk](mailto:jerry.wickham@wiltshire.gov.uk) or my home telephone of 01380 870476 or mobile 07980 701617.





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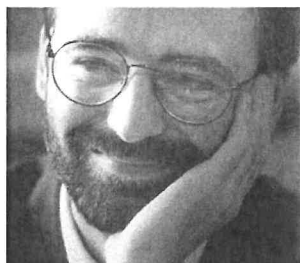
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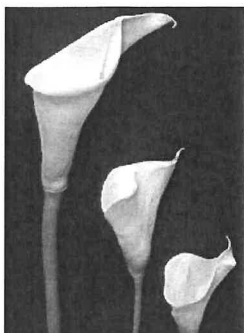
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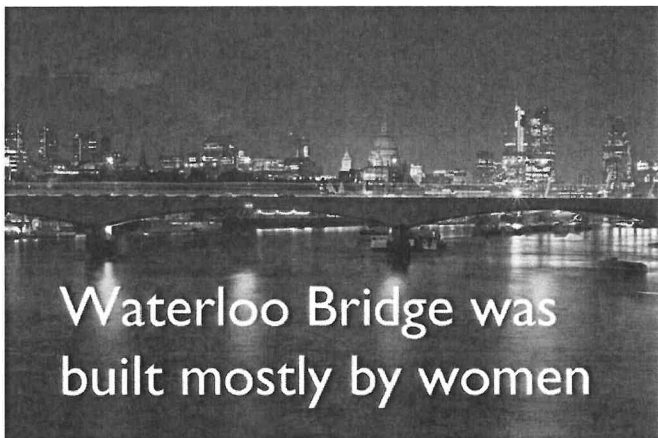
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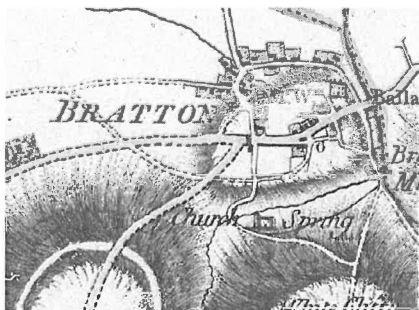
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## BRATTON HISTORY ASSOCIATION

*The next meeting of the Bratton History Association*  
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The talk will be given by John Craig  
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Annual membership : £8 single, £12 couple.

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Further details can be obtained from posters in the village  
or by contacting Mo Maclean on 01380 830 221  
or Anne Bailey at [bratton.history@live.com](mailto:bratton.history@live.com)



## Steeple Rocks Choir



Following the great success of last November's musical evening in conjunction with **Opus One Big Band** in St Mary's Church, Steeple Ashton, we would like to announce a further concert on **Friday 1 May** in Warminster Civic Centre.

This joint event will be in aid of the charity Help For Heroes and we hope to see as many local people there as possible. Details of how to buy tickets etc will be on our website [steeplerockschoir.weebly.com](http://steeplerockschoir.weebly.com). Tickets are £10 and will be available from Steeple Ashton shop, choir members, [www.wegotickets.com](http://www.wegotickets.com) or ring 01380 871890 for details. *Adrienne Hale*

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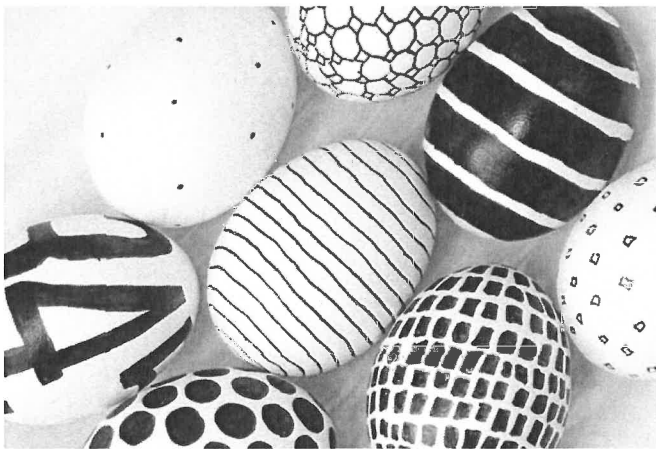
Want something to do on a Thursday with your toddler or baby?

The first session is free, and only £2 per family thereafter (to help with the food and running costs).

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**When:** Every Thursday 10-12pm (closed during school holidays)



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# Wiltshire

## GOOD NEIGHBOURS

### NEWS FROM YOUR GOOD NEIGHBOUR CO-ORDINATOR

*A free and confidential service for residents of Bratton, Edington, Erlestoke and Coulston*

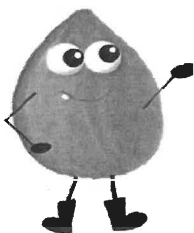
*Lise Griffiths (Edington, Coulston and Bratton) 07541 353 401 or westburygnc@communityfirst.org.uk. Alex North, Good Neighbour Co-ordinator for Devizes villages. M: 07557 922 027*

Working with older people in our rural communities, as your local Good Neighbour Co-ordinator I can provide a range of information and put you in touch with sources of help for any issue, to enable you live a more independent life. I can visit you at home, or help over the phone. Here are some of the things I have provided information on recently:

- Applying for Attendance Allowance
- Arranging to install a 'Lifeline'
- Finding out about local social activities
- Free fire safety checks from Wiltshire Fire and Rescue
- Accessing support if you are a carer
- Help with transport for care home visits or medical appointments

Wiltshire Good Neighbours is a free service that is provided through a partnership of Wiltshire Council, Community First and Age UK Wiltshire

If you think you or someone you know would benefit from the service, please don't hesitate to contact me (see above).



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## HEAVENS ABOVE

On Tuesday 10 March the ladies of the WI. had stars in their eyes. To meet us, a telescope had been set up outside the Parish Rooms, fortunately it was a clear night. As we arrived the ladies had the opportunity to gaze up to the heavens and view Jupiter and Venus. All this was arranged by Maggie and Charles Daniel, astronomers from Frome, it continued to be a very enlightening evening. Maggie explained how stars are formed by dense gas and that the earth is the third planet from the sun, all of the planets in the solar system being held in place by the pull of the sun, Mercury being a lump of rock and nearest to the sun.

Earth is on an arm of the Milky Way and the possibility of meeting another intelligent planet is very remote, about 2.2 million light years. So do not worry about lights over Salisbury plain it is only the military after all.

Did you see the solar eclipse on 20 March when we could see a partial solar Eclipse, 85%, not to be seen again until 2090 or at least notice the plunge into darkness.

Our next meeting on 14th. April, we shall be more down to earth, entitled

## WALKING TO THE SOUTH POLE

So you can see we have an interesting and varied programme, so why not come along. New members and visitors are always welcome.

“Do not abandon yourselves to despair. We are the Easter people and hallelujah is our song” *Pope John Paul II*



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## JUBILEE HALL BRATTON EVENTS

### NOTES FOR YOUR DIARY

The next Supper Night will be **Friday 17th April 2015**. To book a table please ring 01380 830297.

The Hilly 11k will be on Saturday 9th May 2015. Application forms available in the Duke, Jubilee Hall, online or ring Dot Reeves on 01380 830987. A donation will be made to MNDA. Volunteers for Marshalls and help please ring Ken Witcomb on 01380 830297

The Village Fete will be held on Saturday 25th July 2015. Any body wishing to have a stall please ring 01380 830297. A meeting will be held nearer the time.

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## Edington Parish Council News

**Casual Vacancy** — There has arisen a vacancy to the Parish Council. We are looking for an enthusiastic villager to join us. If you are interested please contact Malcolm Wieck clerk to the council on 830256

On behalf of the village we would like to thank Sue Bromhead for all the hard work she has put into the council over many years, Particularly her dogged determination in keeping the footpaths in the parish in good order.

**Speed watch.** Help keep speed down in our village, join our happy band of volunteers. Full training given. Tel. 831029 for details

**ANNUAL PARISH MEETING** with **cheese and wine** Monday 20 April, all welcome. Topics will include report on Housing needs survey discussion on Where do we go from here? Your views needed. Plus reports on what the Parish Council, County Council and police have been up to last year and plans for the future. Come and have your say, your voice counts.

**Playing field** — our playing field is important to us. You will have noticed we are making some improvements and repairs. New swings have been installed, ongoing repairs addressed including replacing steps to slide and new bark added to the swing seat. Access to the playing field from the pub will shortly be improved. Your co-operation in keeping the field dog free is appreciated. This is a legal requirement because of the dangers to health on dog faeces. If you notice anything amiss, in the playing field, or in the village please report to Pauline in the post office or any Parish Councillor or Malcolm our clerk.

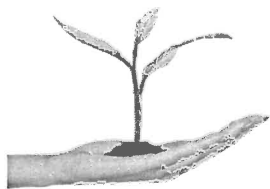
**Litter pick** Thank you to all who turned up to help with the annual litter pick.

**Planning** (a) The following applications have been received:

(i) 15/01576/FUL Construction of a first storey extension comprising 1 bedroom and 1 bathroom, above existing kitchen and bathroom. Change of bathroom to utility/shower room, with addition of external side door to property. Replace existing kitchen window and external door with external bi-folding doors at Monkswell Cottage 18 Westbury Road for Mr Robin Lines.

(ii) 15/01903/TPO T1 – Beech tree to rear of Pub reduce by 10%; T2-T6 Beech group crown lift 6m over road; T7-T8 remove dead elms at The Three Daggers for Conservation Contractors Ltd.

**Next Parish Council Meeting Monday 14 April 7.30pm.**



## EDINGTON & DISTRICT GARDENING CLUB

FIRST THURSDAY IN THE MONTH PARISH HALL 7.30PM

Members of the gardening club have had a busy month.

At our meeting on March 5th, John Tucker from Prior Park Garden Centre, Bath, gave us an informative talk and slideshow on how to care for and prune shrubs. John said they give us long term pleasure and are the backbone of the garden. As people have smaller gardens nowadays, he brought along a selection of the new mini-shrubs including buddleias, pittasporums, photenias and even a bush lilac! These are much easier to keep under control!

We also saw the winter scented shrubs such as the daphnias and sarocca box and colourful cornus, skimmias and grasses.

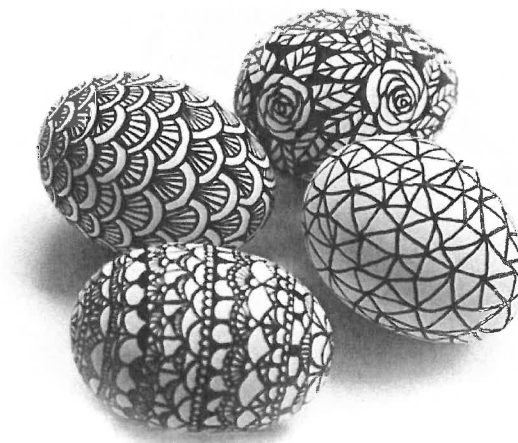
On March 10th, Cheverell Gardening Club invited us to an evening with Derry Watkins who runs a special and unusual plant nursery near Bristol, a chance to buy something different.

On March 14th several members visited Kapunda Plants Garden near Bath. There were many different species and coloured hellebores, a beautiful display. This garden featured on Gardeners World T.V. this week.

**Next month our speaker is Alison Peterson — a practical demonstration on Container planting. April 2nd. 7.30pm.**

All are very welcome.

*Stella Callaway*



## Edington Parish Hall

### Bratton Silver Band concert at Edington Priory Church

Saturday 16th May at 4pm to include tea

Tickets £7.50 from Pauline at Post Office 01380 830 013

and Rachel 01380 831227



## Do you need funding for your group?

Our challenge is to make a positive change in Wiltshire and Swindon by helping local groups make life better for their communities. We want to help you to support those who need it most. You can apply grants for project or core costs and overheads for:

### FOUNDATION GRANTS

Apply for up to £5,000 for one year's funding, or up to £3,000 a year for two or three years. Funding will go to projects where the majority of people who will benefit experience disadvantage either economically, socially, geographically or physically.

### The Office of Police & Crime Commissioner Grants

Apply for up to £3,000 for one year's funding. Applications are welcomed from groups who seek to bring communities together to tackle local issues around anti-social behaviour, crime, drug and alcohol related crime, reducing re-offending, violence against women and girls or youth crime.

### COMIC RELIEF SMALL GRANTS

Grants available up to around £1,000-2,000 to support work where there is clear evidence of a sustained beneficial impact on people's lives who are excluded or disadvantaged through low income, rural or social isolation, age, disabilities, race, sexuality or gender. Priority is to be given to small, locally based groups or organisations in areas of disadvantage that have a clear understanding of the needs of their community and are undertaking actions as a means of addressing these needs.

### PUBLIC HEALTH & WELLBEING GRANTS

Apply for up to £4,000 for one year for groups who can demonstrate a clear link to improved mental or physical health outcomes that will result from their project, for example, reducing childhood obesity or helping adults to adopt healthier lifestyles, helping to combat loneliness, isolation and other factors which contribute to poor mental health, supporting older people to have more active and fulfilling lives, promoting the use of community green spaces, assets and infrastructure for exercise and wellbeing or reducing drug and alcohol abuse.

Visit our website at [www.wiltshirecf.org.uk](http://www.wiltshirecf.org.uk) for more information and click on the 'Apply' menu. The first step is to fill in an 'Expression of Interest' survey and the link for this can be found underneath the listing of our criteria. If you meet our criteria we will send you a link for an online application form.

Call us on 01380 729284 or email [info@wiltshirecf.org.uk](mailto:info@wiltshirecf.org.uk) to find out more about how we can help. This information is valid until 30th June 2015.

**THE 2015 EDINGTON MAY BALL**  
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**PROPOSED HOUSING DEVELOPMENT ON  
 COURT LANE AND LITTLE COURT LANE.**

The owners of the field bordered by Court Lane and Little Court Lane  
 are proposing to build 10 houses on the site.

The developers QDos of Melksham will soon be submitting a planning application. We  
 understand they may be attending a Parish Council meeting in April or May to discuss  
 their proposal. Please check with Malcolm Wieck, Clerk of the PC, to confirm. Tel.

01380 830 256. As many of the local residents of Tinhead have expressed their  
 opposition to this development we urge you all to attend the Parish Council when this  
 item comes up for discussion. Court Lane Action Group.

Contact [terryannetott@madasafish.com](mailto:terryannetott@madasafish.com) 01380 831055



## BOWOOD DOG SHOW

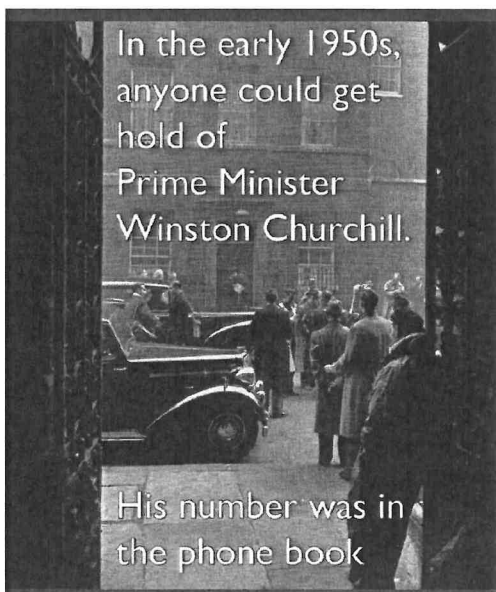
For the 10th and FINAL time, the Bowood Charity Dog Show & Summer Fair will now take place on Sunday 21st June 2015. Over the last 9 years it has raised over £250,000 and, as a final gesture, will be trying to get to £300,000 for charities serving the people of Wiltshire.

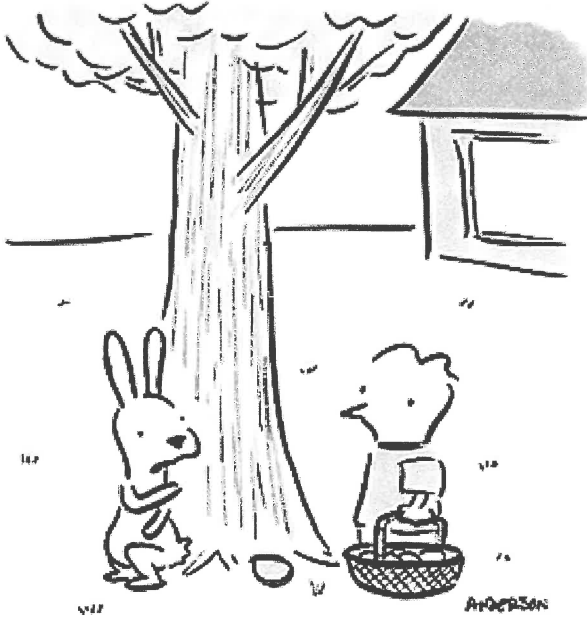
The theme of this Show will reflect the title and bring back the old fashioned family day out with the normal dog classes for pedigree and family dogs, including fun classes for children, and the ever popular "Have A Go events". There will be fantastic displays in the main ring, a Dance Theatre (featuring a guest appearance by Angelina Ballerina) with dance displays and hip hop master classes, great local food outlets and the Theatre of Food with cookery demonstrations.

The shopping will be terrific – there are usually well over 100 stalls selling everything from dog collars to cashmere. Falconry displays and, hopefully, a craft tent will add to the mix. There will a farm animal petting tent with chickens hatching, and baby farm animals and other attractions

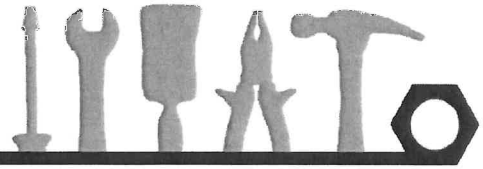
The charity element is the most important aspect and local charities are given free stands to promote their work (limited to 12). And, as in the past nine years, ALL the gate money goes directly to local charities and the show is funded by local people and businesses and run by a vast team of volunteers.

See website: [www.bowooddogshow.org](http://www.bowooddogshow.org), follow us on Facebook and Twitter or email [bowooddogshow@aol.co.uk](mailto:bowooddogshow@aol.co.uk).





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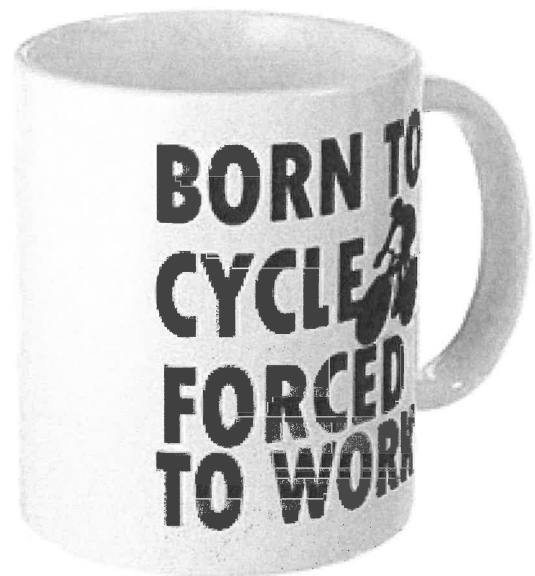
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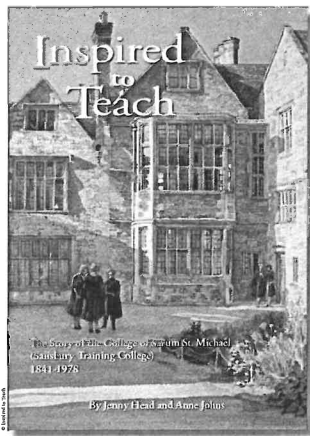
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## New book, 'Inspired To Teach'

Inspired to Teach will be published in April 2015. It tells the fascinating story of The College of Sarum St Michael/Salisbury Teacher Training College and the changing lives of the students who went there. The College, which opened in 1841, was unique and was one of the first teacher training institutions for women. During the past two years the authors have worked on the book in their old college library at King's House, now home of The Salisbury Museum.

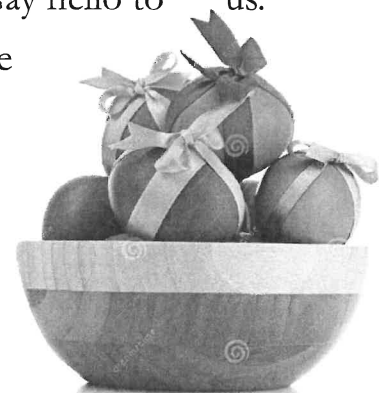
The authors, both former students, live in Wiltshire. Anne Johns has lived in Edington for over thirty years. The book contains beautiful paintings by local artist Kate Sykes and some poems by Westbury poet Judith Nicholls, who was a former student. It is full of interesting photographs and memoirs.

There are so many stories to tell. The first student arrived by mail coach after crossing desolate Salisbury Plain in terrible weather. In 1877 Kate Hardy followed her sister Mary to the College; their brother Thomas Hardy often visited them there. The regime was gruelling and discipline was strict. Thomas Hardy used their experiences when he wrote 'Jude the Obscure'. In 1890s there was a Cookery school at the College. Children from local schools, as well as students, were taught how to cook satisfying basic dishes such as Rabbit Pie and Roly Poly Pudding.

The authors attended the college in the Sixties-what a decade! The husbands of both of the authors were their boyfriends at this time and have many happy memories. The age of majority, however, was still 21 and students were only allowed 8 nights away from college each term. On the positive side, boyfriends were now allowed in rooms-but only until 10 pm. In the Seventies there was much more freedom. Many young men in Salisbury 'thought they were in heaven' with the pool of young women in The Close. The College sadly closed in 1978, but the work that was done against a background of social and educational change, lives on.

The book is sponsored by the Chalke Valley History Trust. We are having a marquee at the Chalke Valley History Festival in June so please do come and say hello to us.

For further information, or to purchase a copy of the book, please visit our website: [www.inspiredtoteach.co.uk](http://www.inspiredtoteach.co.uk) Books will also be available to purchase in mid-April from The Three Carrots Farm Shop in Edington, The Salisbury Museum and The Devizes Bookshop. Profits from the book will be given to CRESS, a locally based charity which raises funds to support the education of children in South Sudan. *Anne Johns: 01380 831197.*



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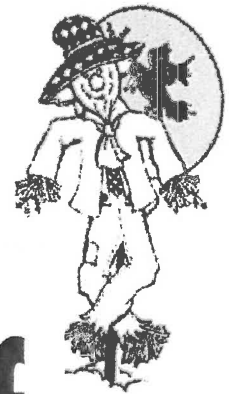
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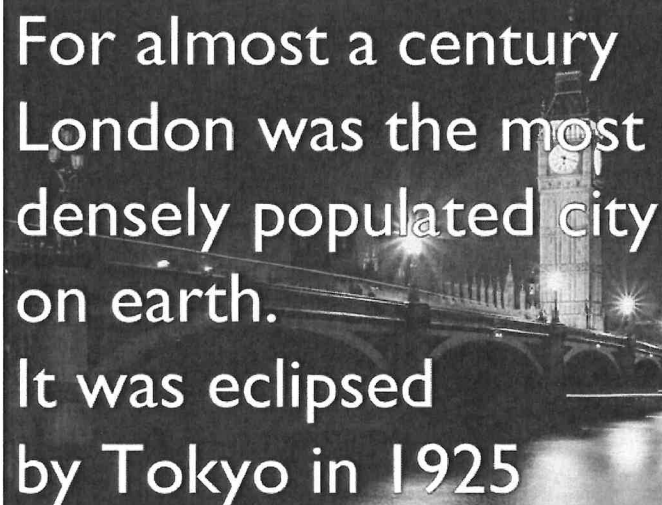
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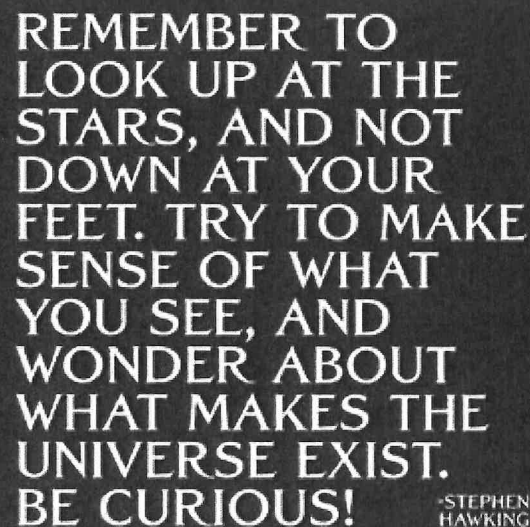
The Musical Evening and Supper celebrating the Festival's Diamond Jubilee will take place at the Parish Field (adjoining the village Churchyard), by kind permission of Edington Parish Council, on Wednesday 26 August 2015, 6:30 for 7pm.

Tickets are £22.50 each and may be ordered on, or after, Sunday 21 June from Mr WJ Pepler, Chapel Plaister's Cottage, Chapel Plaister, Box, Wiltshire SN13 8HZ. Tel: 01225-811344. Cheques should be made payable to 'Edington Priory Church Music Evening'. Please enclose a stamped addressed envelope. The Committee will allocate tickets on Friday 10 July and they will endeavour to accommodate requests to sit with friends if this is stated when ordering tickets.

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# NEWCOMERS' COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 25 April 10.30am – midday in Edington Parish Hall



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#### Easter Sunday Masses:

Morning Mass 10.30am

Evening Mass 6.00pm

#### Confessions (Sacrament of Reconciliation):

Maundy Thursday:

8.30 - 9.00pm

Good Friday: 11.00 - 11.30am

4.30 - 5.00pm

Holy Saturday: 11.00 - 11.30am.

3.00 - 4.00pm

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Collective Worship reminds us to support others – people who are poor and need things like food, clean water, clothes and houses.

*From the children of Holy Trinity Academy, Great*





## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### APRIL

- 04 Book Swap, Erlestoke Church, 10am-midday
- 05 Easter Carvery, Erlestoke Golf Club
- 05 Easter Egg Hunt, Dagers Farm Shop, 11am
- 10 Concert, Edington Arts, Priory Church, 7.30pm
- 11 Spring Bingo, Erlestoke Church, 1.30pm
- 13 Lunch Club, The Duke, Bratton, 12.30pm
- 14 WI meeting, Edington Parish Hall, 7.30pm
- 14 U3A meeting, United Reform Church, Westbury, 1.45pm
- 15 Erlestoke Parish Council meeting, Erlestoke Church, 7.30pm
- 15 Lunch Club, Churchill Arms, West Lavington, 12.30
- 17 G and J Trip to Wilton, Edington PO 11am
- 17 Bratton Supper Club
- 18 White Horse Opera, St Johns Church, Devizes, 7.30pm
- 19 Bratton History, Church Institute, 4pm
- 22 Annual Parish Meeting, Erlestoke Church, 7.30pm
- 25 Newcomers Coffee Morning, Edington Parish Hall, 1030-1200

### MAY

- 01 Steeple Rocks Choir, St Marys Church, Steeple Ashton, 7pm
- 01 Rossano Sportiello, Edington Priory, 7.30pm
- 02 Book swap, Erlestoke Church, 10-12
- 09 Plant Sale, Erlestoke Church
- 09 Bratton Hilly Run
- 16 Bratton Silver Band, Edington Priory, 4pm
- 23 Edington May Ball

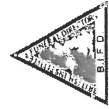
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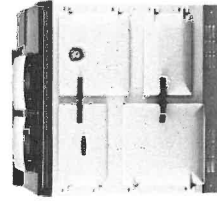
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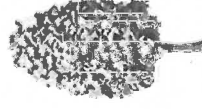
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