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# What's in this month's magazine

This month's bumper magazine nurdles us gently into Winter and there's poetry.

The subject of our vicar's article, pages 4 & 5, casts an interesting eye over the subject of remembrance. It covers both the need to remember those who have served us in conflicts and martyrs to their beliefs.

There's an update on the planning battles the Parish Council are carrying out on our behalf, see pages 10 & 11. Our clubs and societies remind us, in their articles, of the amazing breadth of activity that takes place in our community, of special interest might be an article on the Sports and Social Club on page23. On pages 14 15 & 17, BT School, and their PTA, contribute updates on the school world.

The plea for a editor of this magazine has fallen on deaf ears. If we don't manage this we will see the demise of the magazine!

Please e-mail me, Keith Wellsted, on btparishmagazine@hotmail.com if you think you might be persuaded!

Finally you'll have seen your magazine arrived with a gift aid envelope. See page 45 to find out why.

#### St Chad's diary

1<sup>st</sup> Nov @ 10am – All Saints/ All Souls Service – names of loved ones to be remembered to Elaine please

8<sup>th</sup> Nov @ 10:15 – Remembrance Day Service

11<sup>th</sup> Nov @ 10:50 – Service of Remembrance

6<sup>th</sup> December @ 4pm – Christingle Service – All welcome

12<sup>th</sup> December and 13<sup>th</sup>
December - Nativity Festival –
Do you have a special Nativity
set or could you make one? The
church will be open over the
weekend to view the Nativities
on Display and we will all meet
at 6pm on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December
for Carols on the Green and the
lighting of the Christmas Tree.

**18<sup>th</sup> December @ 6:30pm** Carols at the Leopard.

20<sup>th</sup> December @ 6pm Carols by Candlelight - in Church

24<sup>th</sup> December @ 4pm \_ Crib Service with traditional Nativity.

24<sup>th</sup> December @ 11:30pm Midnight Mass

25<sup>th</sup> December @ 10am – Christmas Day Service

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## Remembrance

## Rev Elaine Scrivens

I was recently lucky enough to be able to attend a service in Westminster Abbey. It has been many years since I visited the Abbey so I was keen to see the statues that had been erected at the end of the last century to commemorate 20th century martyrs.

These ten figures of Christian martyrs are drawn from every continent and different denominations. They remind us of the cost of being true to one's beliefs, and of the continuing persecution of those who dare to stand up for what is right.

November is a month of remembrance, inspired by the Church's remembrance of all its unnamed saints on November 1st and all the faithful departed on November 2nd. After the First World War Armistice Day was added, which after the Second World War gave way to Remembrance Sunday, when we remember with respect and gratitude all who died in those great conflicts and in all the conflicts that have happened since.

The Christian Martyrs of the Twentieth Century commemorated outside Westminster Abbey challenge us to expand our remembrance to include all who have made great sacrifices for the benefit of others. Each one represents many other victims of tyranny, fanaticism, dictatorship, prejudice and brutality. They include Janani Luwum, Archbishop of Uganda, murdered in 1977 by the troops of Idi Amin (perhaps by the President himself) for his opposition to

the unchecked violence of the security forces, and Archbishop Oscar Romero, Archbishop of San Salvador, who stood out against the oppression of the poor and the abuse of human rights by a repressive government. He was shot at the altar in 1980 while saying Mass.

There are also the human rights leader, Martin Luther King, assassinated in Memphis in 1968, the Chinese pastor Wang Zhiming, executed in front of a mass rally of over 10,000 people during the Cultural Revolution, the Grand Duchess Elizabeth, a member of the Russian royal family, who renounced her status to take religious vows and care for orphans, but who was murdered by the revolutionaries, Dietrich Bonhoeffer, one of the leaders of the German Christians who refused to make an accommodation with the Nazi regime, and Esther John (Qamar Zia), an Indian Christian whose Muslim family had to flee to Pakistan at partition, and who was brutally murdered in 1960 because her faith was seen as a threat to the established order of her community.

One of the most inspiring of these heroes is the Polish Franciscan priest, Maximilian Kolbe, a prisoner in Auschwitz. When a prisoner from his block escaped, the commandant ordered that ten prisoners should be locked in an airtight cell as a reprisal and left to die. One of those selected begged to be spared because he had a wife and children, and Fr Kolbe stepped forward to take his place. "Greater love hath no man than this, that

a man lay down his life for his friends" words of Jesus that we shall recall on Remembrance Sunday. The statues above the abbey door illustrate them powerfully.

In November, members of our Armed Forces will think again of the sacrifice of those who died alongside them in war, but we can all ponder the vision of the future that inspired them and countless others who have striven, often against enormous odds and at great personal cost, to make our world a fairer, better place. True remembrance should motivate all of us to renewed efforts to preserve all that is good in our society and change what is bad, and increase our prayers and activity for the coming of God's Kingdom.

We will remember the saints, named and unnamed on November 1st. If you have a family member you would like remembering please pass on their name to Flaine.

#### Posada

Could you make room for Mary and Joseph in your home? Once again they will be travelling around the village run up to Christmas. They will begin their journey on the first Sunday of Advent and make their way to church on December 24<sup>th</sup>. If you would like to offer Mary and Joseph a home either sign up at the back of church, drop Elaine an email or give her a ring.

Posada originated in Mexico where children, dressed as Mary and Joseph would travel around villages in the run up to Christmas representing the journey from Nazareth to bethlehem which was over 80 miles by foot. The Church Army introduced it in this country and we have a Mary and Joseph who travel around the village, staying in homes during Advent.

## Cycle of Prayer Praying for our Community

This month's we will be praying for all who live in:

- Seven Acre Close
- Shylock Grove
- St Chad's Road
- The Lees

We will be remembering those who live in these roads in our prayers during the service each. Sunday this month and many of the congregation will also be praying for them during their daily prayers.

#### **Nativity Festival**

On December 12th and 13th we will be holding a Nativity Festival. The church will be open over that weekend and we will hopefully have a large number of Nativities on display.

The Festival will end with the Singing of Carols around the tree on the Green with mulled wine and mince pies in church. Please do spread the word about this opportunity to put Christ firmly back into Christmas.

Please contact Elaine if you would like more details.

## THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY

#### **Baptism**

Alfred Webster

We welcome him into the Christian Family

#### **Funerals**

Robert Wilkins

Philip Butler

We pray for their souls and offer our sympathy to their family and friends.

## The St Chad's Centre

## St Chad's Centre News

The first brick laying ceremony may well have taken place by the time this article reaches your doorstep. Supporters, donators and VIPs were invited to mark the occasion of the St Chad's Centre building beginning to take shape.

Centre from their own pockets have encouraged other bigger pocketed organisations to commit their money to this much needed parish facility.

As the building becomes a reality,



The event was intended to spread the word about the Centre to the wider Warwick District and beyond to encourage future potential hirers to consider the Centre when choosing a venue. Trustees also wanted to share the success of the Centre finally being built after more than 10 years of efforts by many of those invited to the event.

Personal donations have amounted to around £100,000 and are the foundations upon which the grants secured from Warwick District Council, WREN and Bishop's Tachbrook Parish Council were built. Those funding the

Trustees are beginning the task of deciding what equipment we need to provide in the St Chad's Centre. We hope to attract hirers of all ages and for a range of purposes. In order to understand what we need, we have thought about who we would like to use the Centre.

We would like baby and toddler groups to have the necessary facilities to change their children so we will be providing baby changing facilities. We would like hirers to be able to provide hot drinks for their large groups so we will be providing sufficient cups and saucers. Potential

hirers have already told us how important storage is in order for them to be able to store their equipment from week to week so we have carefully planned lots of storage into the building design.

As well as the large hall and the foyer area, there will be a smaller office sized room which Trustees are keen to furnish in such a way that it is able to be versatile in its uses. We would envisage it will accommodate probably four people comfortably, six if they're good friends! What uses might you have for the room? How would you need it to be laid out? What furniture would it have in it?

We are also currently looking at kitchen specifications. There will be the standard equipment such as a hob, oven, fridge and freezer, glasses, cups, plates etc. as well as pots and pans. Is there anything specific you think we should provide as an essential bit of kit?

Trustees have been thinking about these issues in great detail, even down to providing a bottle opener and tin opener! However, we know we won't have thought of everything. What would you like to see in the Centre? Should we get a projector and screen so you can host a cinema night? Do we need staging so you can put on plays and shows? Should the kitchen have a tea urn so you can make 30 cups of tea in one go?

We would really welcome your input into what equipment the Centre should provide for hirers and guests. To let us know what you would like to see please email stchadscentrebt@gmail.com.

## Poetry please

With Remembrance Day soon to be with us, I thought it apt to share a WW1 poem that I particularly admire.
Written by Ivor Gurney, who was also an accomplished composer, it contrasts the landscape he knew around his home in Gloucester and life at the frontline.

#### To his love

He's gone, and all our plans Are useless indeed. We'll walk no more on Cotswold Where the sheep feed Quietly and take no heed.

His body that was so quick Is not as you

Knew it, on Severn river
Under the blue
Driving our small boat through.

You would not know him now...
But still he died
Nobody, so cover him over
With violets of pride
Purple from Severn side.

Cover him, cover him soon!
And with thick-set

Masses of memoried flowers Hide that red wet
Things I must somehow forget.

Ivor Gurney died in 1937 aged 47. He spent the last 15 years of his life in an mental asylum.



## Bishop's Tachbrook Junior Youth Club

Monday 6.30-8pm in the School Hall During Term Time Only £1.50 per session and yearly membership of £2 payable in September.

For more information contact Kate Underhill on 335144 kateunderhill68@gmail.com or come along on a Monday. We desperately need more adult volunteers to come and help at our club, if you can spare a couple of hours on an odd Monday then please let me know.



## Ist Bishop's Tachbrook Rainbows

Is your daughter aged 5,
does she like having fun, playing games,
making things and
being part of a group?
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Rainbows are part of the
Girl Guiding group.

If your daughter is interested email Jade at jadechoc@aol.com



## Are you interested in being a Brownie?

Bishop's Tachbrook Brownies meet on a Wednesday at 6 - 7.30pm. We have fun, make, work on badges, go on outings, sing, play games and meet new friends. If your daughter is in Reception or Year 1 and would like to be a Brownie when she is 7, please contact Caroline Loveday on 429082 or 07796 034371 or carolineloveday@sky.com to find out more and register your interest in Brownies. Even if your daughter is a Rainbow, you still need to put her name on the Brownie waiting list.



## Parish Council News

## Sean Deely

Over the coming weeks you will be invited to give your initial thoughts on Sports, Leisure and Well-being facilities in the Parish. This an initiative that arises from the draft Neighbourhood Plan, so the Parish Council and Sports and Social Club have started working together on this. A questionnaire will be available from early November, via the website and will be delivered through your door. The initial consultation will run until the end of the year. Public displays and further consultation will follow to allow ideas to be developed in line with residents' aspirations.

You will have read in the local papers about developments in the Local Plan. In order to keep the Draft Local Plan alive, Warwick District Council has voted to increase new housing in the district to over 18000 homes. This is to deal a perceived lack of space in Coventry to meet their housing need and represents an increase of over 50% in what was proposed previously. The Parish Council will continue to be very active in this space.

Please make sure you read the request for volunteers that Councillor Paul Whitwood has placed in this edition. It's about setting aside a couple of hours on a Saturday morning each month to do maintenance tasks around the parish. You don't need to commit to the whole morning. An hour or two would be greatly appreciated. It's great fun, satisfying and a chance to meet people. So, please give it a go.

The Parish Council has decided not to pursue a traffic scheme on Mallory Road

at the moment. After careful thought it was agreed that there needs to be a wider approach to the traffic issues within the parish, particularly with the increase in traffic flows expected over the coming years as a result house building focussed in the south of the district. With this in mind councillors are trying to secure funding for a Highways Officer to look at the whole parish and suggest ways to reduce and slow the traffic coming into our parish. We have provisionally booked County Council Highways to look at this in the next financial year. Thanks to Councillors Carol Gabbitas and Leigh Carter for attending a meeting with residents and explaining the situation.

We are aware of the continual fly tipping which is taking place in the Oakley Wood Road lay-by. The Parish Council believes that the best solution is to remove the lay -by and reinstating the verge. We are working with the County Council and developers to try and arrange this. The burning of waste on land off Oakley Wood Road recently reported is being investigated. We are also requesting an update on the enforcement action on the dumping of waste building materials on land off Oakley Wood Road. We are applying for a grant for 3 benches on Warwick Gates and will also be contacting resident representatives in our section of Warwick Gates to look at other improvements to amenities in this part of the Parish.

Please note that Parish Council meetings will now start at 7pm and not 7.30pm. The next meeting is on 19<sup>th</sup> November.

## Ray Bullen

## Planning appeals

The last year has been a busy one for the Parish Council in part due to the heavy involvement with planning applications on many sites in the parish and close by. Normally, when planning applications are made, the decision of the District Council's Planning Committee as to granting or refusing permission is the end of the matter.

When an application is refused the applicant can appeal against the decision and the window opens onto a strict and rigid legal process as the Planning Inspectorate appoints an Inspector to examine the application and the decision, to determine whether the refusal was lawfully correct. In the last year or so we have been involved with 7 appeals on major sites so we have had a sharp learning curve to ensure that your interests are fully represented at the Public Inquiries. It is a world that revolves around legal argument, piles of documents presenting the case for and against the decision, expense, experts, time and tensions, both through the proceedings and awaiting the Inspectors decision. The Inspectors decision has to be fair to all parties and take into account the National Planning Policy Framework, various Town and Country Planning Acts, legal precedents and ministerial statements to arrive at an overall planning balance.

The inspector can only take into account matters raised by the participants at the Inquiry, so it is important to make sure

that the best planning arguments are made to the Inspector. The primary participants are the appellant and the District Council, but the Parish Council can request Rule 6 status, giving us a proper role in the appeal. Individuals and other interested parties can also speak to the Inquiry and it is important that interested members of the public attend to support the case being made.

The first appeal was for a refusal to grant permission on 26<sup>th</sup> February 2014 for 125 dwellings on land south of Mallory road and west of Holt Avenue. The inquiry was held on 16-19<sup>th</sup> September 2014 taking 4 days to consider whether, in the absence of a 5 year housing land supply, any adverse impacts of the proposed development, having particular regard to the effect upon the character of the area and appearance of the area including the setting of the village of Bishop's Tachbrook and the setting of the Grade II listed 17<sup>th</sup> Century converted barn, northeast of Hill Farmhouse, would significantly and demonstrably outweigh the benefits of the scheme. The Inspector found in his decision letter of the 4<sup>th</sup> November 2014, that the proposal would perform poorly against the environmental dimension to sustainable development and dismissed the appeal.

The second appeal was for refusal of a development on Asps Farm for 900 dwellings, a school and other community facilities between Banbury Road and Europa Way. This appeal took 10 days

between 14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> April 2015. We joined with 'Warwick Deserves Better' for Rule 6 status to share costs for barrister representation. The main reasons for refusal were due to the historical setting and the proximity of this very large development to the Grade 1 listed Castle Park and Warwick Castle plus the environmental dimension on the landscape of development on this elevated site of the quality and character of the Tachbrook valley in addition to being contrary to the emerging local plan in which the site is in open countryside. It is anticipated that the decision will be made during October 2015 but as it has been called in by the Secretary of State and that it relates to an adjacent appeal site on land south of Gallows Hill also called in by the minister, it may be that both will be decided jointly and perhaps later, depending on progress on the Examination of the Local Plan.

The third appeal was for refusal of a development on land south of Gallows Hill for 425 dwellings, between Gallows Hill and Europa Way. This is just outside the parish and again we joined with 'Warwick Deserves Better' but as an interested party rather than a rule 6 participant. This appeal took 6 days between 25<sup>th</sup> August and 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2015 with similar reasons for refusal to that of the Asps development.

The fourth appeal was for land at Seven Acre Close for 25 dwellings. This was running at the same time as the appeal on the nearby Mallory Road appeal, but due to the dismissal of that appeal this appeal was withdrawn.

The fifth and sixth appeals have been on Grove Farm. When the 1<sup>st</sup> phase for 200 dwellings was refused by the Planning Committee the applicant lodged an appeal and a second identical application. This time the Planning Committee granted permission following which the appeal was withdrawn. When the second phase for 520 dwellings was refused permission the applicant employed the same procedure. The second application was also granted but the Parish council has taken Judicial Review action so the appeal still stands. We have applied for Rule 6 status for the appeal and await a decision by the courts as to whether the Judicial Review should proceed.

The seventh appeal has just come in for the refusal of planning permission for 10 houses on land opposite the Leopard on Oakley Wood Road. This appeal will be considered on written representations. All the representations made by you to the application have been sent to the Planning Inspectorate by the District but if you wish to make comments, or modify or withdraw your previous representation, you can do so on either the planning portal at www.planningportal.gov.uk/pcs or by emailing to teamP1@pins.gsi.gov.uk or by posting 3 copies to Rob Nash, The Planning Inspectorate, Room 3/09 Wing, Temple Quay House, 2, The Square, Bristol, BS1 6PN. All representations must be received by 6<sup>th</sup> November 2015. Quote the appeal reference APP/T3725/ W/15/3134611 at the site address: Land east of Oakley Wood Road, Bishops Tachbrook CV33 9RL.





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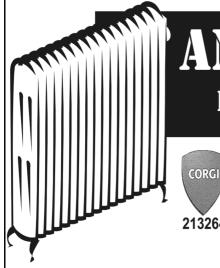
Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Family Service

#### Wednesday

11:15am Holy Communion (BCP)

Are these times convenient for you? Would you like a mid-week communion service in the evening or an early morning service? Please let me know, the church is here to serve you and if you find that you cannot come to church on a Sunday but that a Tuesday evening would be great, then I am happy to provide what you need. Elaine



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## School times

## Andy Brettell

This half term our Christian value is THANKEULNESS.

It's Half term already and it's been a very busy start to the School year. We have had plenty of activity including teams of volunteers from JLR building a platform in our wildlife area and working on our Peace Garden. We've had a truly bumper Harvest with hundreds of apples from our own orchard; enough for every pupil to choose one of the less common apple types. Our favourite is definitely the 'Red Love' apple which has pink fruit all the way through! It's wonderful to see the pupils benefitting from the plans to improve our school grounds which began over 5 years ago.

We also celebrated HARVEST at St Chad's where children lead the whole service with a play performed and written by Year 5 pupils and Harvest music accompanied by Year 6 on the hand chimes.

The untiring PTA have been busy too with



their never ending ideas for events which are not only fun for the whole community but which raise much needed funds for specific projects in school. At the moment there are plans to buy more iPads to help pupils master web design, animation, computing and video editing to ensure their learning is not only engaging but also bang up to date!

Pupils and families have enjoyed a 'Bake off' family tea as well as a sponsored 'Silly hat walk' and now there's the PTA Christmas Fayre planned for 3.00pm on Saturday December 5<sup>th</sup>.





Some silly hats



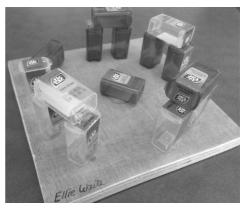
This term our pupils have visited The Meadow (a Science trip studying friction in the playground apparatus) as well as The Rollright Stones to learn about Neolithic life and make some fabulous watercolour paintings.





Pupils in Year 4 and Year 6 have undertaken 'Bikeability' to improve their safety and skill on two wheels and two infant classes have visited Kenilworth Castle (to learn about castles)! Our wonderful new Reception class have been to the Canalside learning Centre and our Cross—Country team have competed against local schools in the area for the very first time.

Everyone is welcome at our PTA's Christmas Fayre on 5<sup>th</sup> December. We will of course be having an early visit from FC himself! Put that date in your diary now. Take a look at the School website to see more details of everything that is going on at BT School.



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## BT School - PTA

## Sarah Brewster

We are now well into the Autumn Term and the Bishops Tachbrook PTA is in full swing with a great calendar of events for the next academic year. After a really successful fundraising year last year we are hoping to achieve great things again this year, making a huge difference to the school lives of all the children. This terms events are as follows:

20<sup>th</sup> November – Film night — Minions 5.30pm -7.30pm in the school hall

5<sup>th</sup> December — Christmas Fair
3pm — 5pm
throughout the school,
including Santa's
Grotto

11<sup>th</sup> December – End of term disco 5.30pm-6.30pm for the infants and 6.45pm-7.45pm for the juniors, in the school hall.

If you have children at the school you will be updated by regular monthly newsletters. You don't have to have children at the school to join in our social activities, have fun and raise much needed funds. If you would like to know what the PTA is planning to organise, E-mail sarahbrewsterhr@gmail.com and register your request for the newsletter or look on the school website www.btschool.co.uk for details of all PTA events.

We are always looking for new ideas or people who can help us at events. If you think you can spare us some time then we welcome your support in any of the following ways:

- Come along and support our school social events
- Organise a fundraising event
- Help at one of our events we always need volunteers
- Offering us a craft/skill that could be useful
- We are always in need of donations of raffle prizes – we make a lot of money from items donated to us
- And we always need donations for the infamous tombolas - these can be cakes/biscuits, unwanted toiletries/ gifts, unwanted bottles (wines, spirits, etc) or donations from companies you may work for. If you have any unwanted items please ask yourself would this be useful to the school.

The School collect the Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers and any of the other supermarket vouchers which support schools, so we welcome your donations if you wish to collect on our behalf.

We very much look forward to welcoming you to our events and to another exciting and successful school year.

The PTA Committee

## Elissa Temple

## Tachbrook Tinies

Welcome back to all our members after the long summer holidays and a warm welcome to the new members who have joined us this term.



Over the summer term we enjoyed the lovely hot weather with bubbles and outdoor toys in the courtyard. The children did some fantastic artwork, which included seaside pictures, using sand, glitter and seashells. Our last session ended with a taster from Dandy



Development, the award winning baby sensory class. Nikki showed us some baby signing, which enables early communication with babies and toddlers, relieving frustration for them and guess work for parents. The session included play under a jungle canopy with cuddly parrots, snakes and tree frogs, whilst learning signs through songs. All the children were given a Dandy balloon to take home, which proved to be very popular.

This term began with a visit from Gymboree, which was their third visit to Tachbrook Tinies. Our toddlers were entertained by the very energetic Kelsey. who takes them on an educational musical journey. The children are encouraged to find their natural rhythm and play musical instruments in time, whilst having fun with magic bubbles, a parachute and Gymbo the clown. The result: very excited toddlers! Gymboree will be joining us again in the new year. We have also been having fun with homemade play dough, painting with corks (sadly no wine was consumed), pasta play and autumn leaves. We have Halloween crafts, firework artwork and lots of Christmas arts and crafts planned for the rest of the term



Upcoming events: Crazy Kiln Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November. Diana from Crazy Kiln will be bringing her Christmas range of pottery included baubles, plates, mugs and more. She will capture your little ones hand or footprint on the pottery of your choice and can embellish with a message or even turn the print into a cute Christmas reindeer! The pottery will be able to be collected at a future session. Please see price list and images of her work. Further information can be found at www.crazykiln.co.uk.







Emma will be selling a range of Usborne children's books, including board books, touch and feel books, sticker books, first reading books and more. She will also have a range of Christmas cards, including multi packs, as well as the usual birthday cards. A full catalogue is available on request.

Thank you to all of you who volunteer at Tachbook Tinies, the group could not run so smoothly without you! We would be grateful for extra volunteers to help set up on an ad hoc basis, half an hour before the session begins on a Thursday morning.



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## **Steve's Nature Page**

On a warm day back in the Summer I was near a long raised bank of grass. It ran for several hundred yards. Flying just above the grass were lots of Mining Bees. The more I looked the more I saw, what looked like hundreds could have been thousands. Each little bees went into an entrance hole in the soil, either to lay an egg or take food for a grub yet to hatch. All looked very organised and idyllic from the bees point of view, until I noticed hundreds of small Wasps each one waiting for a Bee to leave its hole before nipping in. Not idyllic at all more a nightmare. the Bees paid no attention to the Wasps who were, I guess, laying their own eggs in the hole which were probably timed to hatch before the Bee eggs so the wasp grub could eat the Bee grub and its food! The Bees would have to rely on safety in numbers and hope the Wasps wouldn't find every hole. 'Tis the season of Cobwebs, from the grass up the hedges and into the trees. A worst nightmare for a Daddy Long Legs with hardly a safe place to put down.

I did see a spider catch a Wasp which was far too big for it. The Spider shook and shook its web, its legs spread apart it vigorously vibrated the whole web. This didn't work so the Spider carefully moved round the Wasp cutting it out of the web so it escaped with minimum damage to all its hard work.

Redwings are here, Scandinavian thrushes flying in hoping for an easier Winter....me too! Lots of Blackbirds flying around, either locally migrating, or Continental cousins coming to swell our numbers. Three Lapwings and a Cormorant passed over - its busy up there and no Traffic Control.

I'm loving seeing the Ravens, several villages around here have them, even seen them over the middle of Leamington. You hear them coming before you see them with a loud one-note croak. On a fine sunny day they seem to be filled with pure joy of flying, masters of their air space, sometimes flying high as a pair calling to each other as they make a circle in the sky. Other times flying in a straight line often doing a half roll with a flick of their wings. I'm amazed every time, but then I don't watch a lot of telly. Hedgehogs haven't been as plentiful round



us this year. Last year you could set your watch by them, as they appeared to rootle through the garden. Only the occasional glimpse this year. Fingers crossed again for an easy Winter and a numbers boost in the Spring.

Squirrels are dashing about doing the cache and carry, mouths full as they leap about seeking the perfect hiding place for their treasure. Its the best time to see Jays, often squawking like Parrots as they fly from Oak to Oak, crops full of acorns, looking for the best safety deposit spot. Such a busy time!

Bíshops Tachbrook Víllage Events Group

## BONFIRE NIGHT





# Friday November 6th Bishops Tachbrook Meadow



Starts at 7.00p.m.

Due to Health & Safety reasons there will be no parking at the meadow so please try to leave your cars at home!!!!

Bringing the Community Together

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- Has snooker, darts, crib and football teams all using Bishop's Tachbrook as a home. The snooker and darts teams have both recently won their respective leagues
- Host Tachbrook Tinies, Rainbows, Brownies, Country Dancing, Zumba, an over 50's group, Bingo, a Parkinsons group and many more
- Has a family room (with a pool table, dart board and jukebox), snooker room, all weather pitch, function room for over 100 people – as well as a members bar
- Have catered for weddings, birthday parties, funerals and charity sports days
- Supports community events, like the Church Fete, Tachfest and Bonfire Night



 Is a success! In the local area at least one club per month has closed over the last 15 months. Bishop's Tachbrook Sports and Social Club is in a sound position to serve the community over the coming years. We look forward to welcoming new people to join us in making the community one where everyone feels at home

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If you want to get in contact, use one, or all, of the methods shown below.

Telephone: 01926 421621

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Call Karen Capehorn 07855 709051

If you're a lover of social media keep up to date with what's going on at the club on

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and

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Our website can be viewed at: www.bishopstachbrookclub.co.uk

## <u>Bishops Tachbrook Sports and Social Club</u> Winter Entertainment

## November

### 7th November – Quiz Night

Don't forget to get down early for this popular night

## 14th November - The Score

After their fantastic debut earlier in the year, The Score are back. Playing songs from the 50's all the way through to modern chart hits, with audience involvement too, you will have a great time

#### 21st November – Drink & Jive

This 4 piece band are playing hits from the stars of Rock 'n' Roll, including Elvis, The Shadows, The Beatles, Lynard Skynyrd, Queen, T-Rex, ZZ Top and many more

#### 28th November – Rob Alton

A popular local solo artist. With the vocal ability to sing many different styles. Performing favourite songs from the 60's to present day

## Christmas Eve Harry Rag Band

A firm favourite at the club, Harry Rag are back with their Rock and Roll show to really get you in the Christmas party spirit

## December

## 5<sup>th</sup> December – Christmas Party

We're hosting a local company's Christmas do, and there'll be a real party atmosphere so come and join in the fun.

## 12th December - Charity Xmas Quiz

Raising money for Encephalitis again, this popular quiz night will have prizes for every team so get down and grab a table

## 13th December - Family Bingo

A festival season edition of our regular bingo with a round just for children too

## 19th December - Steve Ray

Steve has sung for us before and always entertains. He sings all the popular hits from throughout the decades.

## New Years Eve

## Blinkwatch

They don't really need an introduction...

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## <u> 6<sup>th</sup> November – Village Events Fireworks Spectacular</u>

A quick reminder that the Village Events Group Bonfire and Firework Night will be on the 6th November on the Meadow. It's free to attend as usual, with the opportunity to buy burgers, hot dogs, hot drinks, glow sticks etc. There will also be a few stalls. Raffle tickets will be on sale as they need to raise £2,500 to pay for the event. Please come along, support the Events Group and enjoy a great evening out

## Bishop's Tachbrook Calendar

November events							
5 <sup>th</sup> Thursday	WI	J and A Christopher's Fun Clay	B.T. School		7.45pm		Anne Allan 01926 424135
6 <sup>th</sup> Friday	Social Group	Fireworks and Bonfire	Sports and Social Club		Club open 5.00pm		07795109038
10 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	History Group	The English Houses	St Chad's Church		2.30pm		01926 336749
12 <sup>th</sup> Thursday	Tachbrook Tinies	Crazy Kiln Pottery	Sports and Social Club		9.30am to 11.00am		Elissa 07854427213
17 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday	Croft Medical Centre	Patients Group	Sydenham Surgery		2.30pm		01926 336749
December events							
3rd December	WI	Christmas Party	B.T. School		7.45pm		Anne Allan 01926 424135
5th December	PTA	Christmas Fayre	B.T. School		3.00 –5.00pm		Email sarahbrewsterhr@gmail.com
8th December	History Group	Christmas lunch	Leopard		12.30p.m		01926 336749
11th December	PTA	End of term disco	B.T. School		5.30pm-6.30pm for the infants and 6.45pm-7.45pm for the juniors		Email sarahbrewsterhr@ gmail.com
Weekly events					l .		
Mondays	Rainbows	Sports and Social C	ts and Social Club		pm	jadechoc@aol.com	
Mondays	Youth Club	B. T. School		6.30-8.00pm		Anoushka76@hotmail.com	
Tuesday	Pilates	Sports and Social C	Club 9.30-10.3		0am	07769222524	
Tuesdays	Brownies	Sports and Social Club		6.00-7.30pm		carolineloveday@sky.com	
Tuesdays	Over 50s	Sports and Social Club		2-4pm		01926 313020	
2nd Tuesday of each month	History Group	St Chad's Church		2.30pm winter 7.30pm summer		01926336749	
Tuesdays	Bingo	Sports and Social Club		8.00pm		01926 421621	
Thursdays	Tachbrook Tinies playgroup for 0 to 5s	Sports and Social Club		9.30-11.00		Elissa 07854427213	
2nd Thursday of each month	Country Dancing	Sports and Social C	Club	8.000pm		01926 314286	
3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month	Parish Council meeting	B.T. School		7.30pm		01926 641220	
Sundays	Bingo	Sports and Social Club		8.00pm		01926 421621	

If you have any items you'd like included in the December calendar please email Marion Smith on <a href="mailto:marismi913@aol.com">marismi913@aol.com</a> by Friday 6th November with the following information about your event:

Date – Time – Organisation – Event – Venue - Contact name and number

## Linda Stevens

## Nature page

We are now well into Autumn with the leaves changing into a glorious range of colours. I wondered why different trees changed into red or orange or yellow. I looked it up and found that a type of skin forms cutting off the leaf from its supply of chlorophyll, the stuff that makes the leaf green. Then the other chemicals in the leaf are no longer masked by the green pigment and are evident in their own colour. Different species of tree have differing amount of these chemicals and so some show yellow, some red and some orange. If you want to know the names of the chemicals I suggest you look them up too.

I must have been in an enquiring state of

mind because I spent some time finding out about cedars. It all started when I walked into the



churchyard by the top gate from the Green. The ground was covered with catkins. They had all fallen from the two cedars by the gate. Catkins in Autumn! Well they are the male flowers, which shed their pollen in the Autumn and fall to the ground once their job is done. The bright green small female flowers, growing on the same tree, will take two years to form a mature cone. It's not surprising that I couldn't see any cones on the ground because once they have

shed their seeds they break up on the tree just leaving a central stem.

My books were very helpful in providing all that information but not when I tried to identify which variety of cedar growing in the churchyard. The churchyard Tree Survey says they are semi-mature Cedars but nothing about the variety. As they are both growing in the churchyard I thought they might be Cedars of Lebanon. It was the wood from these trees that King David used to build his palace and King Solomon used to build the Temple in Jerusalem.

There are four candidates - Lebanon, Atlas, Deodar or Cyprus. My Collins Tree Guide has a little saying for recognising the shape of the branches:

"Lebanon level; Atlas ascending; Deodar drooping" (It doesn't say about the Cyprus Cedar.)

However, it then went on to admit that there can still be confusion as Deodars can have level branches and Lebanon branch tips can droop as well as ascend! So no real help there! I looked at the trunk pattern. I found one mature cone still growing at a height I could reach. So what was the conclusion? Well, I think they might be Atlas Cedars, or maybe Deodars, but of course if you know do tell me!

So what else is there to report? Hedgehogs should be hibernating soon. If you are planning a bonfire please do that you are providing it with a cosy winter home. Saturday 21 November is The Day of the Hedgehog. You can find out more fascinating information about hedgehogs at the British Hedgehog Preservation Society's website.www.britishhedgehogs.org.uk/. If you find an injured hedgehog you can email to info@britishhedgehogs.org.uk or Tel: 01584 890801.

check that a hedgehog hasn't decided

Of course if you prefer books there are some very good ones about and the local Library will help you to find one.

Lots of Cobwebs about still mainly the round variety but many long sticky threads covering amazing distances. Someone complained that they walked out of their back door straight into one that had appeared overnight! Clever things, spiders, and so industrious.

There were butterflies about despite a period of heavy rain and shorter days. I saw small whites daily during September and a small tortoiseshell on 23 September and as late as 8 October. I found a Ladybird in the house at the beginning of October and it was still there a few days later. I've seen so few this Summer so I hope it finds a good place to hibernate. The fox has been seen again in the field behind Holt Ave.

Autumn Watch first or last seen sightings are being ticked off one by one. The Ivy is in flower and the Swallows have gone but I can't give you an exact date for either. Redwing should be arriving in the fields and I will look out for them when we are out and about.

What have you seen? Please let us know.

### Poetry please

This poem is by another WW1 poet, Wilfred Owen. After suffering from shell shock, something that only officers were allowed to have, he returned to the front in September 1918 winning the Military Cross. He was killed one week before the war ended.

#### 1914

War broke: and now the Winter of the world

With perishing great darkness closes in.

The foul tornado, centred at Berlin.

Is over all the width of Europe whirled.

Rending the sails of progress. Rent or furled

Are all Art's ensigns. Verse wails. Now begin

Famines of thought and feeling. Love's wine's thin.

The grain of human Autumn rots, down-hurled.

For after Spring had bloomed in early Greece,

And Summer blazed her glory out with Rome,

An Autumn softly fell, a harvest home,

A slow grand age, and rich with all increase.

But now, for us, wild Winter, and the need

Of sowings for new Spring, and blood for seed.



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## Anne Allen

WI

My apologies for no report last month, it got lost in space somewhere. Lots of things have happened, we had an interesting speaker, Jenny Boyle, whose talk was entitled Viva Cuba. It was an insight into the country, it's people and way of life. Together with various slides proved to be a place to visit.

I was writing my previous report as Last Night of the Proms was playing Jerusalem . This was very apt because 16th September was the 100th birthday of the WI. Those of you who follow us on Facebook will have seen the photos of us enjoying afternoon tea at Mallory Court. Everyone was dressed in their finery, with hats if wished, and all were presented with the centenary badge . Our thanks to Elaine for commemorating the WI during the previous Sunday service . We are also hoping to plant a tree and create a cookery book of 100 recipes to launch next May .

If you were unable to attend the recent coffee morning to buy a poppy brooch knitted by WI members do contact me and I'll see if there are any left. A party of us attended the recent group meeting. Thinking we had done well to nab the front row, got asked by the speaker to turn all the chairs, she wanted the room "the other way round" it was an

enjoyable evening Janet Wroe brought costumes from the Concordia Theatre in Hinkley. It appears If you need to hire a costume they are the cheapest around.

October brought us to our Annual meeting where a new committee is elected. A couple of years ago we passed a by-law stating we could have a fluctuating number of committee members with a maximum of 12. We have reached that . So meetings are going to be cosy where ever they are held. From these 12 a president is nominated and has to agree to take office. So guess what... Yes it's me again!! There used to be a saying " use it or lose it" I for one certainly don't want to lose the WI so a big thanks to all our members for supporting us too. The evening finished with a chaotic game of indoor curling. This was great fun.

Christmas is looming and with it our world famous Christmas party. This is on Thursday December 3rd. If you would like to join us please give me a ring asap cost is £6 for non members. There will be the usual array of excellent food, entertainment and carols to get you in the mood for the festive season.

Our speaker in November are J and A Christopher with fun clay. January we

have a meal out and in February we will be learning about recycling I am told this is an excellent speaker well worth hearing and seeing what can be made from recycled items. In March we hope to have a falconry display. Fingers or should I say talons crossed, so a busy few months.

If you would like to know anything more about WI, give me a ring or find us on Facebook We look forward to meeting you.

Anne Allen, 424135

### **MU Happenings**

As a result of the photo and article in last month's magazine about Twiddle Muffs, Kath was asked if she could make one for the mother of a Bishop's Tachbrook lady whose mum is 100 yrs old and is in a care home with other dementia sufferers. Kath dashed off a twiddle muff and it has proved to be a godsend to the lady concerned. BUT of course, the care home saw it, thought it was wonderful and asked if we could supply 3 more! So at our **next MU meeting on Nov. 3**<sup>rd</sup> we will be gathering again in my kitchen (81 Kingsley Road) at 7pm to make pom-poms and fix all sorts of other 'feely' objects into some more muffs which Kath will have knitted by then.

On Sat 21<sup>st</sup> Nov. we are holding a pre-Christmas Coffee Morning in St Chad's church from 10 am to 12 noon. There will be cakes and puds, jams and chutneys on sale along with some gift ideas for Christmas. Proceeds will buy some gifts for prisoners' children and the balance will go to other MU projects supporting families.

Jenny Lister - Branch Leader – Tel. 427922

## A dog's life

**Dear Friends** 

As a lot of you know I've been a bit poorly over the last few weeks. My mum was talking about the possibility of being able to chase rabbits and pigeons in a hunting ground in the sky.?? So it wasn't me who has been leaving deposits around the village. I wasn't able to walk that far. Please get your owners to carry a poo bag or any bag come to that, so if you get taken short they can clean up after you. Let's try really hard to "go" in the right places or train our owners a bit better.

Lots of licks and yaps

Pickle x

Ps. Please, please think about me and my friends when you hold your firework parties, cos it really makes me ill. Xx

## Anne Kirby

## History Group

At our October meeting Maureen Sutherland bravely replaced her husband, Graham, with her talk "Feeling Peckish? Food through the Ages." Her research did little to tempt us, and often repulsed us with her account of past food fads. Maureen lamented the loss of perfect fruits and heavenly drinks following the expulsion from the Garden of Eden. Instead we imagined the available foods of prehistoric tribes and various cultures: the Vikings, Egyptians and Romans.

How do we know what early tribes ate? Modern science has enabled experts to determine diet from excavated bones, and in the case of Egyptians, from mummies' innards and from food entombed with bodies for the journey into the next world. In earliest times any available wild animals and edible berries and fruits were on the menu.

Vikings enjoyed their alcohol and it was an insult to the host if a guest left without being drunk. Later generations record the fare of the peasants and that served at royal banquets. The first cookery book from 1468 includes mice in batter, stuffed rat, elephant's trunk, and roast bear (said to be a good treatment for baldness); Fish and birds were generally available and enjoyed sparrows, larks, exotic roast herons, swans and peacocks' tongues: insects of many varieties were savoured. Then as late as the mid-19<sup>th</sup> century, there were the Fiji cannibals who were puzzled by the refusal of western explorers to enjoy a tasty portion of a captive's flesh.

We heard stories of various dishes: the milk from 700 asses which provided Cleopatra with her daily bath (good for a delicate, wrinkle-free complexion). Emperor Claudius passed a law permitting the passing of wind during a meal – maybe the result of eating delicacies such as stuffed dormice, or the need for relief so diners could gorge themselves further.

The King of Castile decreed that taverns must serve food with each glass of wine – hence the development of "tapas".

Elections of popes in the Vatican were taking up to 3 years – influenced no doubt by the sumptuous feasts and a free holiday. The new rule that participants would be served only bread and water had the desired effect: Pope Gregory was elected within a day!

In Europe rules governed the number of courses permitted according to social level: 8 to the top echelon, lords were allowed 6 courses and only 2 for the lower orders. Hygiene was an unknown concept and the modern finicky attitude to food was unknown.

The most amazing dish must be the pie served to King Charles I and Queen Henrietta Maria. Out popped a live well-proportioned 23" dwarf, who was adopted into the Queen's household and nicknamed "Lord Minimums".

Meat served between 2 slices of bread, was requested by the Earl of Sandwich,

so he could eat without disturbing his game of bridge – hence the popular sandwich. 19<sup>th</sup> century saw the introduction of fish and chip shops, and at the height of their popularity they numbered 35,000. There are now fewer shops, but it is estimated that 250 million meals of fish and chips are served annually. Puppy-dog pie was still enjoyed in the 1930s in the Cotswolds.

And what of the future....? genetically-modified food or a concentration of vitamins in a pill and taken on the move? Maureen urged the continuation of the family meal and chat round the table. Long may it continue.

Next Meeting – TUESDAY, 10<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2.30pm in St Chad's Church

Food in October; Houses in November!

Retired Architect, Keith Cattell, will present an illustrated review of houses –
from Castles to Comfortable Cottages.



There are a number of jobs that need doing around the Parish such as clearing undergrowth from paths, trimming trees and general tidying etc. We're fed up with waiting for someone else to do it so we're going to help ourselves! The plan is to put working parties together on a Saturday morning once a month to tackle these jobs. All tools, equipment and protective clothing will be provided. We really need your help so if you are willing then volunteer by contacting me at the email address below. It's fine to come along for just an hour or for the whole session. Your help would be really appreciated.

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#### Stephanie Mowatt

## **Brownies**

In our sixes the Bishops Tachbrook Brownie Pack headed out in our raincoats and wellies into the outback of Oakley Woods for our very own "I'M A BROWNIE... Get Me Out Of Here!!" We followed the map around the woods collecting numbers on the trail and facing some challenging Brownie bush tucker trials!

The first trial each six had to work in pairs to transfer water from one bottle to another. They needed to make the star inside the empty bottle float to the top to win points... sound easy? Well... there was a catch... the bottle used to fill up the second bottle had lots of holes in it, so the girls had to be very quick! In the second trial, as a team, the girls had to lie down on the ground in a line. Then they had to eat a donut tied to a piece of string without using their hands! The girls found this one particularly difficult but enjoyed eating their donuts. The third trial saw the girls working individually. There was a bucket of water with stars in, which had sunk to the bottom; and using a fishing hook the girls had to hook a star each to gain points for their team.

The forth trial tested their bravery. The Mystery Boxes! Each Brownie had to put their hand into a box to guess what was inside. If they guessed correctly they gained points for their team. There were also stars inside the mystery boxes which, if they were brave enough to rummage around and find, gained them extra points. The girls found out the boxes where filled with Jelly, Cotton Wool, Hotdogs, Plastic Creepy Crawlies,

Spaghetti and Peeled Grapes! The fifth and final trail was the most testing of all. The Jungle Diner! Each Brownie had to select a card at random to open a box numbered from 1-9. Once they had selected the box the girls then braved a small spoon of whatever local delicacy was inside. To get a star they had to eat what was inside. We had some lovely dishes on the menu, including Toenail Clippings, Slithering Snakes, Pickled Slugs, Frog Spawn, Monkey Snot, Wriggly Worms, Poo Sticks and Kangaroo Eyeballs! After each Brownie had had their turn, each six could select 1 team member to eat a spoon full of all the Jungle Snacks to gain extra points for their team!

Bishops Tachbrook Brownies had lots of fun, laughs and thoroughly enjoyed the "I'M A BROWNIE... Get Me Out Of Here" experience! We tallied up the scores and well done to the winning six.. The Leprechauns!

We would like to thank the volunteers who gave up their evening to assist in what was a fantastic event.

We would also like to welcome our new Brownies who have recently made their promises, Daisy B, Sophia B-R, Riana T, Amelia G, Ellie S, Ellie W, Shaan S and Sienna D.

If anyone has a daughter who may be interested in becoming a Brownie when she is 7 please contact Caroline Loveday.

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#### **Spicy Roasted Parsnip Soup**

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#### Ingredients

- 2 tbsp olive oil
- 1 tsp coriander seeds
- I tsp cumin seeds, plus extra to garnish
- ½ tsp ground turmeric
- 1/2 tsp mustard seeds
- I large onion, peeled and cut into 8 chunks
- 2 garlic cloves
- 675g parsnips, diced
- 2 large tomatoes, quartered
- 1.2I vegetable stock
- 1 tbsp lemon juice

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#### Instructions

- 1. Heat oven to 220C, fan 200C, gas7
- 2. In a big bowl, mix together oil and spices.
- 3. Add vegetables and mix well.
- 4. Spread over baking sheet and roast for 30 minutes until tender.
- 5. Spoon into food processor or blender with half the stock and process until smooth.
- 6. Pour into saucepan with remaining stock, then heat until barely simmering.
- 7. Remove from heat and stir in lemon juice.
- 8. Garnish with cumin seeds.

Enjoy, Kate

If you have a recipe you want to share please send it into the magazine on: btparishmagazine@hotmail.com. We'd prefer recipes that use seasonal ingredients. Please give us any details of where you picked the recipe up.





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We rehearse Thursday Evenings during term time at Harbury Village Hall from 6.30-7.30pm. We take all children age 7-16 and offer a free trial session (normal subs £30 per term), We already have children from Bishop's Tachbrook who attend regularly and we would welcome more. Please go to www.warwickshireyoungvoices.org for more information.



# **Notice Board**

#### **Country dancing**

December there will no meeting

January there will be the belated Christmas party on 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday as usual

#### Book early to get the best dates

Mary and Joseph have a very long and slow journey to make in the weeks leading up to Christmas. They need a place to stay every night of their tiring walk and the donkey would like a space too. Can you and your family provide that for just one night during this period? Everyone is invited to offer hospitality, whether you are a member of the congregation or not. It is not just for families with children. Households of any size are welcome to join in.

From the beginning of November there will be a chart at the back of church with all the days set out. Choose the date that's best for you and enter your name and telephone number. This is so you can be in contact with the household who have Mary, Joseph and the donkey before you and the ones you pass them on to. If you have them on a Saturday night it is lovely if you can pass them on at church.

As the church isn't open all the time you might find it difficult to get in. Don't worry! Ask a member of the congregation to do it for you or ring the number below. We will do our best to find a suitable date for you. Find a special place in your home for them where everyone can see them. Find a special place in your hearts to remember the baby who was born at the end of this journey.

Ros Pratt 01926 428609

Songlines Community Choir, featuring 4 BT residents, has its winter concert on Saturday 5th December. Great music covering a range of countries and genres.

Tickets £5 all the money raised goes to WaterAid.

E-mail keithwellsted@btconnect.com if you want tickets.

#### **Warwick University Chancellor's Commission**

Warwick University is seeking feedback and comments from the local community. Please take a few minutes to complete a survey at: www.warwick.ac.uk/research/warwickcommission/chancellorscommission/communitysurvey

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#### New Green Bins in the Churchyard

We have been given two Green Bins for compostable waste by the council. They are both near the gate onto the Green. A volunteer will put these out for collection. The first items put into them included plastic wrapping. If they contain items such as plastic, glass metal or amounts of soil they will not be emptied and we might also have them taken away. Please ensure that you only place compostable items in them and put the non-compostables in the metal dustbin, which is emptied by a volunteer and not the council. If possible please take these items home with you. We will continue to try to get a Council grey bin but so far the answer is no.



#### Footpaths and Trees maintenance. Monday 16<sup>th</sup> November, for 2 hours.

Our Working Party will meet at 2 Church Lees at 9.30. a.m.

Stout footwear and gardening gloves recommended.

Ring Paul on 337204 if you need more info – otherwise just turn up!

A fun chance to enhance the rural setting of our parish ..... and enjoy some fresh autumnal air and a bit of banter!



Next deadline for magazine items is 13th November for the December issue.

# Fun and Facts



# Halloween Word Search



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