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### What's in this month's magazine

To quote Shakespeare, "Small cheer and great welcome makes a merry feast!" so this month's slimmer magazine still offers plenty of interesting material for you to read.

Elaine's article also speaks of hospitality and the need to make people feel welcome, see pages 4 and 5.

Matt Greene's Parish Council article also offers some welcomes. The first welcome is to the opening of the new Heathcote primary school. The second is to the launch of the Welcome Pack for new residents. We hope those new residents will appreciate this magazine and contribute both to its content and distribution. On this note, thanks to those new residents who have already volunteered to distribute the magazine, much appreciated. Apologies to the person who thought her son may get paid to deliver it. Sorry it's all done by volunteers. If you think you may be able to help the delivery team please contact Kate at, kate.wellsted @btconnect.com

Elsewhere there's two articles by the History Group, apologies to them for missing their August report, see pages 15, 24 and 25.

Pages 22 and 23 highlight the work of Guide Dogs. The article reveals that almost two million people in the UK are living with sight loss that has a significant impact on their daily lives. So it is a cause well worth supporting at their Christmas Market towards the end of November.

Desert Island Discs returns on pages 32 and 33 with Leigh Carter producing both a great selection of tracks and great artwork. He also introduces a hint of controversy about Spotify. I'd love to hear your tracks and views.

#### Enjoy your reading.

The front cover picture shows the planting of an oak tree on St Chad's Green to celebrate 141 years of The Mothers' Union.

The tree was planted by Diocesan President Mrs Jane Hill. Felix and his Mummy, Kat, are watering the tree.

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Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers for thereby some have entertained angels unawares. Hebrews 13:2

The above is one of my favourite quotations from the bible. In the Letter to the Hebrews we are reminded of the visitors that Abraham and Sarah had when Abraham was sitting outside his tent by the oaks of the Mamre. Suddenly three men stood in front of him, two of whom were angels and one of whom was God himself. Abraham and Sarah set about welcoming these visitors by being courteous and putting on what seems like a banquet. The person writing to the Hebrews reminds us that when we are welcoming people we do not know, we might be welcoming angels!

I was thinking of this the other day and realised that there is a paradox here. If we welcome people so that they may join in with what we do (how often when you join a club or society do you hear the phrase "we do it this way"?), so that they may join and become more like us then we may have a slight problem. Surely if they are angels we need to become more like them.

As a church and as a community we want to be welcoming, to amply share the good things that we have, to mutually enjoy the things we love and take pride in but at the same time we have to leave space for you the newcomer, the stranger, the visitor to be part of what St

Chad's is to become, so that you can infuse and pollinate us with your ideas, experience desires and needs. Do come and join us for worship any Sunday at 10am, you will be very welcome.

I was watching Countryfile this week and a segment of the programme looked at the skills people have and how some of those skills are dying out because they are not getting passed on. Lisa, a member of our congregation, and I were discussing this at the community café. I was telling her of a visit I made in my role as Chair of the Diocesan board of Education. I went to a school in the north of the diocese and there were a number of clubs being run by members of the community. The one I visited was an embroidery club and the work the children were producing was amazing. There were 3 ladies helping pass on the skills they had learned from their mothers and grandmothers. It was lovely to see.

I know that there are people in the village who want to run a group in the St Chad's Centre to meet for fellowship and pass on skills they may have.

What could you offer to the church or the community? Do you have a skill that could be passed on? If so then please contact me and I could put you in touch with others and who knows what might happen.

I look forward to seeing many possible angels through the door of St Chad's in the coming weeks, so that you may both

join us and help us all to come closer to God.

With every blessing

Flaine

## Poetry please

#### Radical Hospitality By Rumi

This being human is a guest house. Every morning is a new arrival. A joy, a depression, a meanness, some momentary awareness comes as an unexpected visitor.

Welcome and entertain them all! Even if they're a crowd of sorrows, who violently sweep your house empty of its furniture, still, treat each guest honorably. [S]he may be clearing you out for some new delight.

The dark thought, the shame, the malice, meet them at the door laughing, and invite them in.

Be grateful for whoever comes, because each has been sent as a guide from beyond.

#### October Haiku

Warm October day motorway drone is backup to insect symphony

#### THE CHRISTIAN FAMILY

#### **Baptisms**

Isla Lilly Rees
Charlie Daniel Madden
Maisy Anne Madden-Finch
Mark William Hemming
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#### Thanksgiving for a Birth

Evelyn Katherine Smith We offer our blessing.

#### **Marriages**

Darren Barrott & Sally Flavell Bradley Joyce & Alice Roberts We offer our congratulations and best wishes for the future.

#### CYCLE OF PRAYER—Praying for our Community

We are praying in October for those living in : Reignier Place Royal Boulevard

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First of all a plug for our Community Café. Last week our numbers weren't so good and one of the ladies there commented, "Isn't it a shame more people don't come, especially as it supports the church." This is true, although the main purpose of the café is to provide a space for people to come together for a chat, good coffee and excellent cake. Yes, it also raises money for the upkeep of St Chad's but that's a bonus! If you haven't been before please do come and join us on Wednesday mornings between 10:30 and 12pm.

October 1<sup>st</sup> is our Harvest Festival. Details were in last months magazine. Do come and join us for the service at 10am and for our Harvest lunch in the Centre at 12pm.

29<sup>th</sup> October 9:30am in the St Chad's Centre we will hold our first "Breakfast Church" come and join us, enjoy bacon rolls, tea, coffee, fruit juice and help us celebrate Bible Sunday. Everyone is welcome.

Our Nativity Festival will once again be taking place in St Chad's in December. Do you have an interesting Nativity set you could loan us for the weekend? Perhaps you could make one! It could be a fun craft activity for half term!

Have you been thinking of taking that extra step in your faith? On January 21<sup>st</sup> at 10am the Bishop of Warwick will be coming to St Chad's for a Confirmation Service. If you would like to be confirmed then please contact Elaine for more details.

#### **Churchyard Regulations**

The PCC met in September and discussed the putting of ornaments and artificial flowers on graves and our duty to keep the churchyard tidy and well cared for. This has been a growing problem for some time despite requests and notices.

It was unanimously agreed we must abide by the Church of England Regulations for churchyards, which is supported by the Diocese of Coventry.

Therefore any ornaments and artificial flowers will be removed. The PCC apologises for any upset caused. Please contact the Diocesan Office if you need to speak to anyone. Phone: 0247652 1307 or e-mail The Diocesan Secretary at <a href="mailto:ruth.marlow@covcofe.org">ruth.marlow@covcofe.org</a>

The above Regulations also include the Garden of Remembrance where ashes are buried. Stones marking each plot should be flat without any pots that restrict mowing. The wall and hard area are for flowers. We suggest that having placed your flowers there you might like to put one of the flowers on the gravestone of your loved one.

The onset of autumn meant that our second primary school, Heathcote Primary, has now opened; this is great news and the whole Parish Council wishes them every success.

Many residents of our Parish were affected over the August bank-holiday weekend (and thereafter) as a result of the disruption triggered by the presence of an unsanctioned and illegal Traveller party on the green-space of a neighbouring Parish, affecting the walkway and cycle route into Leamington Town Centre. The Parish Council are aware of the reports of anti-social behaviour and animal cruelty attributed to the party during their time at that site. Throughout the period of occupation the Parish Council remained in touch with Warwick District Council officials and passed on the concerns of affected residents.

It is important to note that this group consisted of a small number of individuals and therefore their behaviour cannot be taken to be representative of the wider Traveller community. However, what is clear is that significant inconvenience can be created when any one group of individuals restricts (through words or actions) access to community assets. The Parish Council is therefore considering ways to make all Parish controlled green spaces secure from occupation so as to discourage a similar incident arising in the future and the associated costs (remediate after the event or intangible aspects) falling as a burden on the

residents of our Parish. From a wider cross-district perspective, Cllrs. Bullen and Deely are attending a meeting at the District Council regarding sites for travellers.

The Welcome Pack will be delivered to new residents in the next couple of months. If you are aware of any new residents (who have moved into existing houses) who would benefit from a Welcome Pack, please let the Clerk know and we will arrange for a pack to be delivered.

The village parking leaflet has now been finalised and will be passed to community groups (and their participants) within the Parish. If you would like copies of the leaflet please talk to your community group organiser; if you are a community group organiser please contact the Clerk for copies of the leaflet.

After some fantastic work by Cllr. Bullen preparing a defence against the appeal from a developer looking to construct a considerable development on the South East of Oakley Wood road (the initial application was refused after overwhelming objections from Parish residents and landscape experts), we are pleased to report that the appeal has been withdrawn. The whole Parish Council is very grateful to Cllr. Bullen for his work on this matter.

There is a County Council "Home to School" Transport Consultation which may be of interest to some residents.

#### **Parish Council News**

Details are on the County Council website and there is a link from the Parish website. The deadline for the comments is early November.

Thanks to our working party the dog waste bins that were rotten have been removed. Please remember that dog waste can be placed in any waste bin. Please also be aware that the speed limit on Harbury Lane and Gallows Hill has now changed to 40mph – don't get caught out as some of the surrounding roads remain at a 50mph speed limit.

The considerable housing development continues throughout the Parish at a breath-taking rate; one District Council department struggling to keep pace is the (often unsung) group of heroes responsible for the naming of new streets. To help ease their burden and provide inspiration, District Cllr. Day has kindly provided this team with a copy of our very own Bishop's Tachbrook history book to help them with naming the streets on the new developments.

The next meeting will take place on Thursday, 19<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm at St. Chad's Centre – all are welcome. Any questions please contact our Parish Clerk

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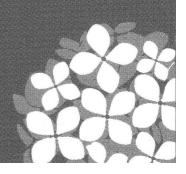
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As the seasons change so does life. I've moved to a small but beautiful Victorian cottage not far from Tachbrook. There are more trees and sheep here than people. My partner and I have landed in a little patch of heaven.

I'm feeding every creature that ventures near. Many bird feeders are swinging from the branches. Within the hour Blue Tits, Great Tits and Coal Tits have found them. By the next day the goldfinches flew in, at least 30 of them. The little bird table can hold about 15 of them before swearing starts - that's the goldfinches, not me!

A Nuthatch pops by regularly, that's a dream come true too. Male and female Pheasant join the Squirrels to feed. It 's in the early morning the Squirrels scamper headfirst down the trunk of the Cedar tree that stands far taller than the cottage. They come down as for a peanut breakfast. I'm working with them so they should leave the bird feeders alone.

Tawny Owls call out most nights, often starting in the late afternoon, one of them "Twooing" for a while waiting for its partner to answer with a "Kiwick!" then the classic "Kiwick...twooo" starts and they are away.

Muntjac deer tiptoe through the edge of the manor. A Fox tentively emerged from the trees, then froze when it saw us and dashed back in.



I happened to look out of the bathroom window as a Barn Owl floated silently through the twilight. There's definitely magic here.

Now, around these parts the Oak trees are having a bad year for acorns. It's hard to find healthy ones. Most are gnarled or unrecognisable as acorns. They are attacked by several insects the Gall Wasp being one of them. An egg is laid into the acorn bud and the grub hatches. As it eats, the acorn is damaged, growing into different shapes, some knobbly. The Gall Wasp turns the acorn into a hard ball. So the mighty Oak will have produced thousands of acorns to try to outdo the insects. This year for many the Oaks have lost.

The leaf fall is coming along with the hanging mists. The last Swallows are heading south, as the Winter visitors get ready to head north or west. Time to put another log



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#### **Autumn Entertainment**

#### October

#### 7<sup>th</sup> October - Quiz

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#### 14<sup>th</sup> October – Insomnia

After popular demand Insomnia are back to rock the night away with classic rock & pop covers from a band born to entertain.

#### 21st October - Side by Side

Local band Side by Side will be here singing hit covers from the 50's, 60's & 70's.

#### 28<sup>th</sup> October – Halloween Disco

Join us for our annual Family Halloween Disco - Ghouls, Vampires & Witches all welcome! Prizes will be awarded for the spookiest dressed

#### **November**

#### 4<sup>th</sup> November – Quiz

Gather your smartest friends and head over to test your knowledge against The Judge!

Lots of fun and great prizes to be won.

#### 11<sup>th</sup> November – The Ant Hill Mob

The Ant Hill Mob are a five piece local band who have entertained us previously as Rock Band The Caves. The Ant Hill Mob will be singing songs everyone knows and guaranteed to get you singing along!

#### 18<sup>th</sup>November – The Score

The Score are back playing songs from the 50's all the way through to modern chart hits. Guaranteed to get you dancing throughout the night.

#### 25<sup>th</sup> November – Race Night

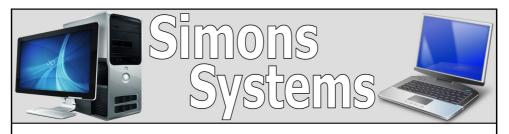
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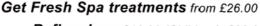
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#### The Truth behind 'Les Misérables'

#### Anne Kirby

The Truth behind 'Les Misérables' was the title of David Price's presentation at the History Group's August meeting. The historical novel of that name by Victor Hugo was published in 1862 and is said to be one of the greatest novels of the 19<sup>th</sup> century – it is also one of the longest.

The 5 volumes cover the period 1815 to

1832 and follow the lives and relationships between various characters. They also incorporate essays to argue a moral point, as well as topics such as the Paris sewers and the

street urchins of Paris.

David Price gave us a brief history of France at the period featured in 'Les Mis. In 1830 the elected French Chamber of Deputies had established a constitutional monarchy and replaced Charles X of the House of Bourbon by his more liberal cousin Louis-Philippe. This angered republicans and added to their

discontent. By 1832 political unrest, poverty, failure of the harvest leading to famine and finally a cholera epidemic erupted into a brief rebellion in Paris led by students. Barricades were erected in the narrow old streets in a hopeless fight against the forces of authority. The battle was over within hours. This episode was

> recounted in Victor Hugo's novel and inspired the musical 'Les Misérables'.

The original musical was written and produced in France in 1980,

but was not a box-office success. An English language version was developed and this new production opened to great acclaim in 1985. Mr Price entertained us with films of songs from outstanding performances of the show, which gave us the opportunity to savour the excellent new audio and visual equipment now

installed in St Chad's Community Centre. **Future Meetings** 

Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> October: (Note day) A day's outing to Croome Court and Capability Brown landscape near Worcester

Tuesday, 14<sup>th</sup> November at 2.30pm in St Chad's Community Centre Jane Arnold will provide us with a demonstration and taste of a Wartime Christmas

> Tuesday, 5<sup>th</sup> December Noon for 12.30 - a Festive meal at The Leopard Inn

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#### WI Anne Allen

Due to unforeseen circumstances, at our September meeting we had a change of speaker. Georgia Jacobs is a member of a Beoley WI in Worcestershire and in an earlier life was a further education lecturer in geography and geology at Halesowen College. After retiring from work she attended Inkberrow design centre taking her City and Guilds in machine embroidery and advanced textile decoration and also has an involvement with Geofest at the Abberley and Malvern Hills Geopark. Her talk entitled Geological Inspirations in Textile Art.. All the pieces she brought to show us were geologically based whether a slice of rock as seen through a microscope or the aftermath of Kt Impact. ( when a meteor hit the earth and wiped out the dinosaurs) Not only was her work excellent but I came away feeling I'd had an amazing insight into the past.. Her enthusiasm for her subject is infectious. It's well worth googling her to find out more.

By the time you read this we will have visited Chavenage House and Tetbury. We are also thinking ahead and hopefully going to Gypsy at the Loft, and most importantly planning the Christmas season. The wine club is still meeting regularly. We are now getting to know what we do and don't like. October is our Annual meeting when new the new committee and officers are elected. This will be followed by a ploughman's supper.

Events offered by county include the start of the Serious Science lectures the first being on Richard III. Also classes today on

Tai Chi and playing indoor bowls. Warwickshire is celebrating its centenary next year and we were asked if we had a poetry bard amongst us, and if we'd like to attend the launch of the Federation Cookery Book.....copying our idea I think. I still have a few copies left. They make a perfect stocking filler at now only £3 a copy or two for £5. Just give me a ring.

Our knitting group is providing premature baby hats as a county initiative, plus various other items. If you have any odd knitting wool no longer wanted we would give it a good home.

I am still collecting used stamps and old bras both for recycling.....but not to the same company. Bravissimo donate £1 per kilo donated to their given charity. So for something you are just going to throw away lets do a little good.

Do think about coming along to meet us. We are very mixed ages, know how to laugh and thoroughly misbehave. Fun and friendship is what the WI is and has been to me. I was taken to a meeting in 1982 and I'm still here now. If you'd like to know anything more please give me a ring. We would love to meet you..

Anne Allen. 424135

#### **Bishop's Tachbrook Calendar**

#### What's on in October

Sunday 1st 12.00 for 12.30, St Chad's Church Harvest Lunch, St Chad's Centre, 01926 651643

Thursday 5th 7.45, WI, Annual Meeting, B T School 01926 426797

Wednesday 11th 08.30 History Group, Outing to Croome Court, Village pick-up, 01926 885938

Saturday 14th 10.00-12.00, St Chad's Churchyard gardening, 01926 330050

Saturday 14th 9.30-13.00, Parish Council Working Party, thewhitwood4@btinternet.com

Thursday 19th 19.30, Parish Council Meeting at St Chad's Centre

Wednesday 25th 10.00-12.00, St Chad's Churchyard gardening, 01926 330050

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Thursday 2nd 7.45, WI, Meet at Dawn Unarmed!, B T School 01926 426797

Saturday 11th 10.00-12.00, St Chad's Churchyard gardening, 01926 330050

Tuesday 14th 14.30 History Group, War-Time Christmas, St Chad's Centre, 01926 885938

Thursday 16th 19.30, Parish Council Meeting at St Chad's Centre

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Tuesdays 09.30-12.15 Little Tinkers Soft Play at St Chad's Centre 079117385747 or Facebook

Tuesdays 14.00-16.00 Over 50s at the Sports and Social Club.

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Tuesdays 18.00-19.00 Pilates at St Chad's Centre 01926 259293

Tuesdays 19.15-1920.15 Pilates for cyclists at St Chad's Centre

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Tuesdays 20.00 Bingo at the Sports and Social Club, 01926 421621

Wednesdays 09.15-10.15 Pilates at St Chad's Centre 01926 25929

Wednesdays 10.30-12.00 Community Cafe at St Chad's Centre

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Wednesdays 17.00-18.00 Rainbows at the Sports and Social Club, 0779 6033471 e-mail:

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Wednesdays 18.00-19.45 **Brownies** at the Sports and Social Club, 0779 6033471 e-mail:

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Wednesdays 19.00 -20.00, Tai Chi at St Chad's Centre, 01926 338866

Thursdays 09.30-11.00 **Tachbrook Tinies playgroup** for 0-5s at St Chad's Centre, Tachbrook Tinies on Facebook 2nd Thursday of each month 20.00 **Country Dancing** at the Sports and Social Club, 01926 314286

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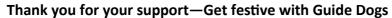
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From 11am – 4pm around 50 stalls will showcase a variety of festive gifts, Guide Dogs merchandise and dog products for four-legged friends. Refreshments including; mince pies, hot chocolate, fruit punch and homemade cakes from the centre's Winter Warmers café will be available to fuel on and Santa himself will be making a VIP appearance to entertain the young ones and ensure the event feels merry.

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Professor Beat Kumin's question at our September gathering was timely: 2017 marks 500 years since Martin Luther presented his 95 theses (propositions for disputation: an academic method of discussing new ideas) for consideration by the hierarchy of the Catholic Church. This important event is being widely celebrated in Germany - important because the results of his challenge to the church led to the Reformation, which everyone recognises as a landmark event in European and world history and remains of profound relevance to society today.

With his lucid and unfaltering presentation, illustrated with relevant slides, Beat covered Luther's background of scholarship and pastor as an Augustinian monk with a deep love of the scriptures. The traditional granting of "indulgences" to individuals, to remit the punishment due for sinful acts, had degenerated into a financial arrangement whereby indulgences could be bought rather than earned. Luther recognized this as a corruption by the Church of Christ's teaching and his theses addressed these concerns. His propositions were discussed by the Bishops but four years later he was pronounced a heretic and excommunicated.

At that period there was a warm appreciation of the church at grass roots level, reflected in church architecture and artistic decorations – exemplified in our own village church with its splendid Norman doorway and now faint remains of wall paintings. Politically the Reformation would lead to the

diminution of power and wealth of the church; it was an attractive prospect for the European Prince rulers of various States, many of whom supported the reforms; Henry VIII's motives in introducing reforms were power, financial, as well as personal. How were the reforms promoted? Luther utilized his gift as a charismatic preacher and every available means of mass media was utilised. There were plays. disputations, meetings and public discussions and the advent of printing provided the opportunity to disseminate pamphlets and woodcuts. Beat displayed a woodcut picture showing important aspects of the reform. Luther is preaching from a raised pulpit, below the open Bible is in evidence as the source of his inspiration; windows are clear rather than stained glass, groups are being baptised and receiving the eucharist in both bread and wine, which was not practised in the Catholic church, and the traditional portrayal of the damned in hell now depicts the fate of the pope and bishops of the church.

There were other reformers in Europe, notably Zurich's *Ulrich Zwingli*, a humanist and contemporary of Luther. Zwingli was influenced by Luther's teaching and his life mirrored Luther's background of study and priesthood. His version of the reformed tradition spread across Switzerland and southern Germany, to France (Huguenots), Holland, England and Scotland. Like Luther he preached that scriptures are the only authoritative guide to

Christianity. Disagreements between Luther and Zwingli developed: Luther accepted the real presence of Christ in the consecrated Eucharist, whereas Zwingli preached it was a symbolic act. In 1525 Zwingli supported peasants in their revolt against authority and their conditions whereas Luther did not. Their split was bitter.

John Calvin (1509 – 1564) was an influential French theologian, pastor and reformer. He moved to Geneva to further his work of reform, which included revision of the liturgy and music in worship, the doctrine of predestination and alignment with Zwingli's belief in the Eucharist as a symbol. Reformed, disciplined protestant churches such as Calvinism was adopted by Presbyterian and some Congregational communities. The followers of Luther opposed Calvin.

And what of Luther? He married a former nun and they had 5 children. For ten years he worked on translating the Bible into German, as did several other reformers of the period. The splits among reformers led to strife and persecutions.

#### **Professor Kumin concluded:**

The early Reformation was sparked (but not single-handedly caused or shaped) by Luther's 95 Theses
All 'Protestant' theologians built on medieval precedents, but devised an ingenious (and extremely well-communicated) alternative to Catholicism

After much early enthusiasm, the reform

movement slowed down, fragmented and relied on princely backing – confessional divisions fostered conflicts
While fiercely contested, the iconic 1517 moment deserves to be celebrated for its monumental impact and the fundamental reflections it has nurtured ever since. Indirectly and grudgingly, furthermore, it promoted 'tolerance' (albeit through the back door).

#### Points in favour of the Reformations

- ... forced clergy and laity to reflect their lives & beliefs
- ... encouraged education & accountability

#### Points against the Reformations:

... sparked disagreements not only with Catholics, but also in their own ranks ... resulted in centuries of conflict and wars AMEN!

October 4<sup>th</sup>at 4:30 pm at the Lord Leycester Hospital: 'Reformation at 500: Luther and his Legacy'.

The literary festival "Warwick Words" will feature a panel of historians from the University of Warwick – all experts on different aspects of the Reformation in Europe and the British Isles – will seek to show how the legacy of the Reformation remains of profound relevance to society today.

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# The owl and the pussy cat

By Edward Lear

The Owl and the Pussy-Cat went to sea In a beautiful pea-green boat: They took some honey, and plenty of money Wrapped up in a five-pound note

The Owl looked up to the stars above,

And sang to a small guitar, "O lovely Pussy, O Pussy, my love

What a beautiful Pussy you are, You are

You are!

What a beautiful Pussy you are!"

Pussy said to the Owl, "You elegant fowl,
How charmingly sweet you sing!
Oh! let us be married;
too long we have tarried:
But what shall we do for a ring?"

They sailed away, for a year and a day,

To the land where the bongtree grows;

And there in a wood a Piggy-wig stood,

With a ring at the end of his nose.

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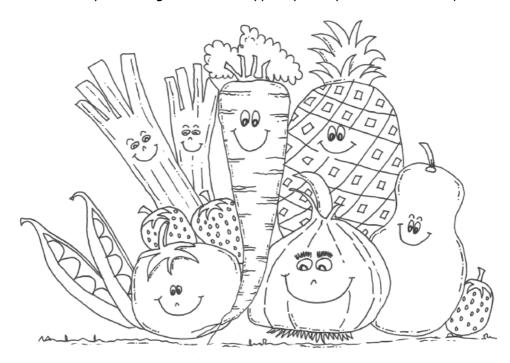
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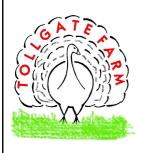
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#### Harvest festival word search and colouring in

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Harvest, crops, feast, grains, wheat, apples, plums, potatoes, onions, squash





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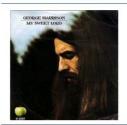
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# Leigh Carter Bishops Tachbrook Parish Councillor Vinyl record curator & DJ



The first song I remember hearing on the radio was 'My Sweet Lord' by George Harrison. It was released in 1970 when I was 4 years old. When I hear it I can see the kitchen in our house in Knowle. There is something haunting about it & it just stuck with me for some reason.



When I was 9 years old my father bought a Wurlitzer jukebox for the house because my parents had a lot of parties and the guests could key in a bunch of tunes to play the night away. I would of course put tunes on when my parents were out. Favourites were Stevie Winwood's 'While You See a Chance', Tina Turner 'Nutbush City Limits', Frankie Valli 'Who Loves You' but the one I have to choose is **Free 'All Right Now'.** 



The late 70's at secondary school was all about the two great tribes of Mods & Two Tone. Harrington jackets, ties turned round to the thin side & loafers with white socks. The Jam's 'Town Called Malice' was a favourite but I will go for **The Beat's 'Mirror in the Bathroom'** as it still sounds great today & I play it a lot – you gotta love that sax! By the early 80's Depeche Mode's 'Just Can't Get Enough' was hitting the spot.



I left school in 1984 & moved to Coventry for my job. I started going to Park Lane nightclub & dressing like Don Johnson from Miami Vice. A lot of chart rubbish was played but every now & then during the evening something good would drop to make it all worthwhile. Favourites were Level 42 'Love Games', D-Train 'You're The One For Me' & Paul Hardcastle 'Rainforest' but I will have to go for **Joyce Sims 'All & All'** as it sounded way ahead of its time. Still does.



1990 was all about Acid Jazz for me. This was a really cool sound and I loved the look of flared cords & denim jackets paired with Adidas Gazelle trainers. An important album for me at the time was Guru's 'Jazzamatazz' & I loved The Brand New Heavies. But the tune I have to pick is **The Young Disciple's 'Apparently Nothing'** which sums up the whole scene in a single record.



1991 everything changed for me musically with the release of Massive Attack's 'Unfinished Sympathy'. Nothing was ever the same after you heard this record. The album it came from 'Blue Lines' is also one of the greats. If I could only take one record onto the desert island then this would have to be it. One of the great music videos as well shot in a single take as Shara Nelson walks through downtown Los Angeles.



1995 & the last great youth movement is in full swing as acid house broadens into a multitude of new electronic genres. The music has moved from warehouses & into underground clubs for the first time. We were blessed with one of the best in Crazy Daisies on the A45 near Coventry. To be there in the mid 90's was something special. First time I walked in there **Kenny Dope & The Buckethead's 'The Bomb'** was playing & the crowd was going nuts. This one transports me back every time.



In the second half of the 90's / early 00's I'm living in London & Cool Britannia is in full swing. I started DJ'ing & running a monthly night called Fusion Lounge in Clerkenwell where we blended records, live musicians & MC's. There were loads of shops selling vinyl then with my favourite (now gone of course) called Release The Groove in SoHo. 'You need this' the owner JC would say & he was always right. Bugz in the Attic's mix of 4 Hero's 'Hold it Down' is the sound of Soho circa 2002.



2003 and its grown up time as I'm now married with children & living in Tachbrook. My DJ'ing has enjoyed a renaissance over the last few years playing for friends around the parish. I now DJ pretty much everything in my eclectic collection & quite often all in one night. One record has become my signature sign off at the end of the night though & always fills the floor & that's Marc Cohn's 'Walking in Memphis'.



Last year I turned 50 and we had a mad Studio 54 party at the house. Studio 54 was THE club in the late 70's New York disco scene & I love the music from this period. There are so many great tunes but for me the stand out of the night was **Greg Diamonds 'Danger'**. It's a pretty hard core disco banger but what a tune and oh my, what a crowd (you know who you are!)



Being a dyed in the wool vinyl junkie I don't do Spotify so if you want to listen to my list you will have to put them in yourself—sorry! Do please check out **BBC Radio 6 Music** though. This is an absolute treasure trove of heritage music as well as the latest crackers. Much respect to Gilles Peterson.

#### **Poetry please**

# Especially when the October wind Dylan Thomas

Especially when the October wind With frosty fingers punishes my hair, Caught by the crabbing sun I walk on fire And cast a shadow crab upon the land, By the sea's side, hearing the noise of birds, Hearing the raven cough in winter sticks, My busy heart who shudders as she talks Sheds the syllabic blood and drains her words. Shut, too, in a tower of words, I mark On the horizon walking like the trees The wordy shapes of women, and the rows Of the star-gestured children in the park. Some let me make you of the vowelled beeches, Some of the oaken voices, from the roots Of many a thorny shire tell you notes, Some let me make you of the water's speeches.

Behind a pot of ferns the wagging clock
Tells me the hour's word, the neural meaning
Flies on the shafted disk, declaims the morning
And tells the windy weather in the cock.
Some let me make you of the meadow's signs;
The signal grass that tells me all I know
Breaks with the wormy winter through the eye.
Some let me tell you of the raven's sins.

Especially when the October wind (Some let me make you of autumnal spells, The spider-tongued, and the loud hill of Wales) With fists of turnips punishes the land, Some let me make you of the heartless words. The heart is drained that, spelling in the scurry Of chemic blood, warned of the coming fury. By the sea's side hear the dark-vowelled birds



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