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# What's in this month's magazine

Another slight 32 page edition, slight in bulk but rich in interest.

For a start just check out the pictures of the parish working party clearing up after trees were cut down behind the village allotments, an amazing mound of chippings moved—thanks!

In November the working party planted daffodil bulbs on the bank at the front of Heathcote school , Mrs Humphriss reports they are starting to bloom amongst an interesting report from our new school –see pages 22 and 23.

Concentrating on schools, the extract from the March 1965 Parish Magazine throws light on the origins of the village school, see page 19.

Matt Greene's Parish Council report covers diverse issues ranging from relations with our police to Warwick District Council's Climate Action Charge, interesting reading on pages 8 and 9.

If you wish to test your ability to translate old English into modern English check out the History Group on page 25.

We usually don't react to letters but a missive from Tania, age 10 ,complaining about the lack of jokes in the last issue has led to some truly awful offerings on page 12.

On page 13 there's information on the Tach Brook Country Park consultation—have a look.. HAPPY READING

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# Raising the roof

By Revd. Elaine Scrivens

A couple of weeks before writing this letter, Bishop's Tachbrook school had its SIAMS inspection ( Statutory Inspection of Anglican and Methodist Schools). The purpose of the inspection is how we are doing as a church school. We don't know the result yet but I do know that the staff work so hard to ensure each child reaches his or her full potential. The vision of the school is based on a saying of Jesus, "Love our neighbour as yourself" and this is achieved through the Christian values at the heart of the school.

During the inspection, I and a group of governors were asked by the inspector, "Where do you see God at work in this school?" There were many examples we could give of children being kind, the buddy system between Years 6 and Reception, where the older pupils help and mentor their buddies, of the school prayer written with help from the children, how the children lead services in church. The list was endless and it set me thinking about where we see the work of God in St Chad's and in our community.

Just over six months ago we had the lead from our roof stolen and we were left with what seemed an almost impossible task of raising the money to replace it but nothing is impossible with God and the good will and help of our local community. Over £2000 was

raised at an auction of promises, £8,000 was given by L&Q group, £2,500 by Rick & Fiona Hunt at Soma Services Ltd, over £1000 raised by the parents and children of BT C of E Primary school, £1,500 raised at an open garden event, local churches giving us money and local individuals giving donations ranging from £100 to £1,000. Gosh, this was most definitely God at work in our community!

Thanks to this wonderful effort and also a generous grant from the Croft Trust we now have the money and the various permissions needed to begin work. We have chosen our contractors and our architects are hoping work will commence soon. The roof will be replaced by terne-coat steel, which looks very similar to lead but cannot be removed as easily. Thank you so much to all who have contributed to this huge success story! Do come along to St Chad's on March 1<sup>st</sup> when we will give thanks at our Civic Service for our amazing community.

Of course, during this time we have still had to pay for the running costs of the church and I must admit we are struggling. We are about to launch a Parish Giving Scheme where people can donate to St Chad's by Direct Debit. Every penny helps and if you want to see a thriving and active church in the village then please do consider joining the scheme when it is

launched. There will be more details in next months magazine.

Every penny we spend at St Chad's has to be raised by us as a congregation and a community. I am so grateful to the generosity of so many but it can't just end with the roof being fixed. This past couple of months our boiler has cost us over £1,000 to repair. At the end of last month we had £270 in our current account. We owe £16,000 to the diocese from last year's parish share and haven't started paying the £33,000 we need to pay this year. Please do consider giving to your parish church on a regular basis to ensure the survival of St Chad's now and in the future.

Let me finish on an upbeat note, thanks to our wonderful community we will raise the roof on St Chad's. Come and celebrate with us on March 1<sup>st</sup> at 10am, with children from our school performing, Archdeacon Sue Fields preaching and cake and Prosecco in the St Chad's Centre after the service!

THANK YOU BISHOP'S TACHBROOK

With love and prayers, Elaine

## **CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL**

A Revision of the Church Electoral Roll is currently taking place and will end on 8<sup>th</sup> March 2020. If you wish your name to be added to the roll, application forms are available from Joan Alderman, Electoral Officer (Tel: 651643).

Those whose names are already on the roll **DO NOT** have to re-apply.

Membership of the Church Electoral Roll entitles you to vote at the Parochial Church Council AGM.

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## What's on in St Chad's

Sunday March 1<sup>st</sup> 10am **Civic Service** where we celebrate everyone in our community. – preacher Archdeacon Sue Fields. Everyone welcome.

Every Wednesday during **Lent** there will be a celebration of Holy Communion at 12pm, after our Community Coffee morning.

**Film Club** – Thursday March 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 *What we did on our Holiday* is a really enjoyable family drama come comedy set in the stunning Scottish Highlands and featuring a cracking cast including Billy Connolly, David Tennant and Rosamund Pike. Several further well known faces appear in supporting roles including Celia Imrie and Ben Miller. The story of the dysfunctional family of Doug and Abi (Tennant and Pike) - in the middle of a messy divorce - and their three young children, heading from London to Scotland for a family reunion and playing happy families for the benefit of dying grandfather Gordie (Connolly) and the relations, is told with much humour. Witty and well-cast, What We Did on Our Holiday injects unlikely laughs into a story dealing with dark, difficult themes. Everyone welcome, it's free!

Saturday 21 March 1-30 to 3pm – **Craft at St Chad's**. Come along and make Mum a gift for Mothering Sunday.

Sunday March 22<sup>nd</sup> 10am **Mothering Sunday Service**.

Sunday March 29<sup>th</sup> 11:15am **Annual Parochial Church Meeting**. Join our Electoral roll and come and have a say in the future of St Chad's.

April 5<sup>th</sup> 10am **Palm Sunday** with procession of Psalms.

April 6<sup>th</sup> to 11<sup>th</sup> **Holy Week**

Monday – Church will be open from 7 pm for quiet prayer – 8 pm Compline

Tuesday – 7pm Stations of the Cross.

Wednesday – Church will be open from 7 pm for quiet prayer – 8 pm Compline  
Maundy Thursday

10:30 -12pm **Chrism Eucharist at Coventry Cathedral**, People from across the Diocese of Coventry gather for this celebration of Christian ministry and renewal of commitment. Everyone is welcome.

7:30pm **Holy Communion with foot washing and stripping the altar**. St Chad's will remain open until 9pm for those who wish to sit and wait with Christ.

April 10<sup>th</sup> Good Friday 1-2pm Meditation

2-3pm Good Friday Liturgy.

April 11<sup>th</sup> 10 -12pm Easter Crafts at St Chad's

April 12<sup>th</sup> 10am Easter Sunday, Holy Communion followed by Easter Egg Hunt.

## CYCLE OF PRAYER

### Praying for our Community

We are praying in February for those living in

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# Parish Council News

By Matt Greene

We live in an age of both scepticism and cynicism; the “post-truth” nature of our public discourse means reason and facts have taken a backseat to reaction and emotion. Fuelled by a 24hr news cycle, social media and the reduction of debate (spectated or otherwise) being two or more people each shouting their views at each other in an uncompromising fashion. The “middle ground” has all but disappeared, those who are not unquestionably for a course of action are seen as being against it (and vice-versa!) meaning balanced views are roundly rejected.

The danger of such a culture is the suppression of ideas, the trampling of the minority and the hesitation of many to propose a new path – when they know that people will attack and tear down new concepts with little more purpose than that of a school bully.

I therefore found it refreshing to see that, in the District Council, cross-party unity has formed over the issue of significantly (in proportional terms) increasing the council tax we pay to WDC each year (a Band D will increase from c£167 to c£224, £52 of which will go into a ring-fenced Climate Action Fund). Now this increase, along with the “inflation-busting” increases in council tax of the County Council and the Police and Crime Commissioner

(as well as a very modest rise in the Parish Precept) will hit people who are just about managing. Tax rises are never popular and, as things stand, there will be a referendum on 7 May to decide whether to accept the Climate Action Fund portion of the rise.

It's not clear what the outcome of such a referendum would be (nor is this article attempting to infer what the outcome “should be”); however, I would praise the District Councillors for three different things –

- Their willingness to work together on a matter they consider to be a priority for our district and the world.
- Their willingness to grasp the nettle and be honest about what they believe is necessary to achieve what they believe.
- Their willingness to take a risk of rejection at the ballot box by pushing for what might ultimately be an unpopular tax rise knowing it will be put to a referendum.

No doubt there will be a chance to engage with some of the district councillors on this matter in the coming weeks; let's hope that such engagement, across the district, is conducted in an open-minded way.

The Parish Council hosted a public question and answer session on 3rd



February with Mr. Philip Seccombe, the Police and Crime Commissioner. Mr. Seccombe was joined by Sergeant Danielle Bristow and PCSO Amy Paul; both from the Safer Neighbourhood Team. We believe the evening was a success and thank Mr. Seccombe and the Police for attending. The Parish Council will be trying to arrange for regular attendance at Parish Council meetings by the Police and this will be advertised on our noticeboards, website and Facebook.

The long awaited new noticeboard has been installed on Warwick Gates. One side will be for Parish Council news with the other for voluntary community groups. If you wish to display any information please contact the clerk.

The Parish Council has applied for funding for a bus shelter on Harbury Lane near Heathcote Park. We should hear very shortly if we have been successful.

The trees on Oakley Wood Road have finally been partly felled. This was necessary as branches were falling. Several fell onto the fence around the allotments. Our builders will be repairing this fence shortly. The area around the trees will be given much needed tender loving care by our Working Party and the chippings will be levelled. If you wish to join the voluntary working party please contact Cllr. Keith Wellsted.

Country Park consultations will be

taking place in March. Please look out for the notices. We have been notified that the planned secondary school will go ahead along with the additional 150 homes – we will keep residents updated on timeframes.

District Cllr. Norris has made officers aware of the lack of bins on our new developments. If the development has been adopted by the Council then bins should appear shortly. If not you may have to wait several months before they are able to address this issue.

Cllr. Carter has been given information relating to the speed of vehicles on Harbury Lane. He is analysing this data and will then pass recommendations to the Parish Council. A site has now been risk assessed on Harbury Lane for Community Speedwatch. If you are able to help please contact our Community Speedwatch Co-Ordinator, Mr. Luke Berry.

Additionally, talks are underway between the County Council, AC Lloyd and Cllr. Carter for traffic calming measures on Mallory Road. The measures will be near the new development; however, more traffic calming measures are also planned for Oakley Wood Road - residents close to the proposed works will be made aware of the plans.

*The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on 12th March when we will be joined by the Chairman of Warwick District Council.*

# Nature Page

By Steve Harvey

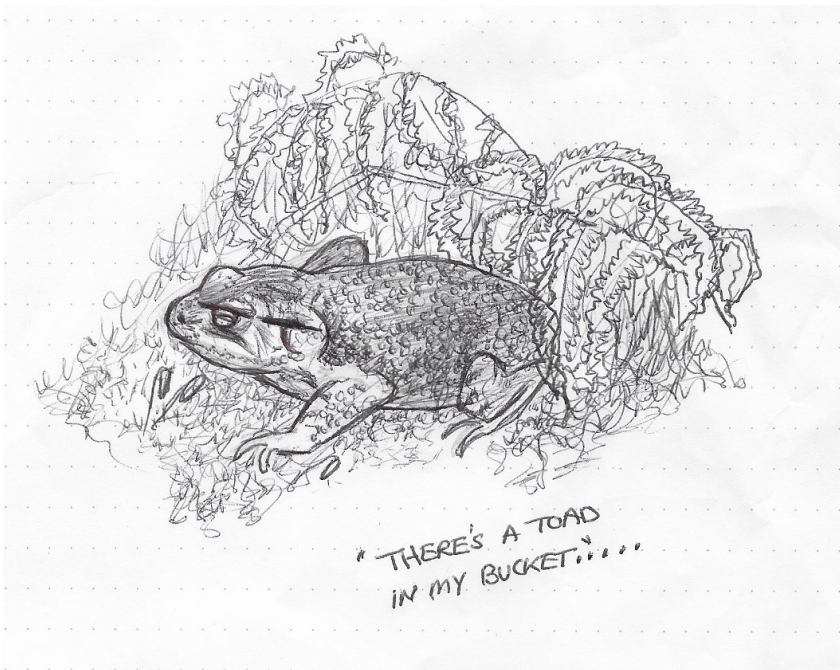
The day of the storm changed many a routine. The high winds that bent and threatened the trees also kept the Jackdaws away. All flights were delayed and there were no arrivals for breakfast. The Squirrels didn't show either. They don't like getting their fur wet (I don't blame them). Their motorways in the trees were ever moving and dangerous. The small birds were dashing from feeders to hedge to stay out of the wind.

By mid afternoon there was a lull and the Jackdaws seized their chance and flew to the Walnut tree. I called them down and they had brunch on the lawn before disappearing again. Squirrels also made a dash for food

under the shelter of the Cedar tree. The night before the Owls must have had a hungry time. I'll bet it was impossible to hear Mice and Voles down in the grass with all the noise of the wind.

Hazel and Yew trees are in flower with masses of pollen starting off some people's allergies. Maybe the Spring winds have blown most of it away.

Over the past week (I am scribbling this in February), the bird feeders have hardly been touched. That usually means one thing - Sparrow Hawk!



I was out  
in the  
garden

that weekend and the alarm calls went up; Blue Tits, Great Tits and Long tailed Tits all shouting! They are so good at that. Every species then dashed into the thick hedges. In flew the Sparrow Hawk, long legs outstretched Into the hedge. There was a commotion but it missed and flew off in a flurry. In the next couple of hours it tried four times to catch small birds, one flying past my shoulder. Each time it missed. They have to eat but we don't want them catching our birds do we!

I was in someone else's garden when I had to move an old galvanised bucket. In the bottom were half a dozen leaves. I didn't spot it at first, but laying there was a small Toad. It was motionless and really did look dead. I held it for a while and the warmth of my hand made it stir. There was no way it could have got out of that bucket so it was great to give it a hand (a warm one). Near by was a big old fern so I popped it deep underneath only to find a large Frog already there. They can hibernate together for a little bit longer.

I heard the first Chaffinch in the same garden. I've heard the first Chaffinch for the last four years. Lots of things are a bit early this year like the Blackbird that's been singing in Sainsbury's carpark. Not to be out done ASDA now has its own singing Blackbird. I wonder if it's a little 'cheeper' there!

## Poetry please

### The Song of the Toad

By John Burroughs

Have you heard the blinking toad  
Sing his solo by the river  
When April nights are soft and warm,  
And spring is all a-quiver?  
If there are jewels in his head,  
His wits they often muddle,—  
His mate full often lays her eggs  
Into a drying puddle.

The jewel's in his throat, I ween,  
And song in ample measure,  
For he can make the welkin ring,  
And do it at his leisure.  
At ease he sits upon the pool,  
And, void of fuss or trouble,  
Makes vesper music fit for kings  
From out an empty bubble:

A long-drawn out and tolling cry,  
That drifts above the chorus  
Of shriller voices from the marsh  
That April nights send o'er us;  
A tender monotone of song  
With vernal longings blending,  
That rises from the ponds and pools,  
And seems at times unending;

A linked chain of bubbling notes,  
When birds have ceased their calling,  
That lulls the ear with soothing sound  
Like voice of water falling.  
It is the knell of Winter dead;  
Good-by, his icy fetter.  
Blessings on thy warty head:  
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Following an online questionnaire in late 2019, Warwick District Council would like to invite local people to come and view, and comment on the exciting ideas and proposals we are putting forward as a result of your feedback, at drop-in sessions on;



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**Heathcote Primary School**, Heathcote,  
Warwick CV34 7AP

**Saturday 28 March** 9.30am – 3pm  
**St Chad's Centre**,  
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# Walking Netball

Our first injury necessitated a visit to A and E! And a splint! Every broken bone hurts and that includes little fingers. Sorry Kate but at least you will be fit to play in our first match.

On April 27<sup>th</sup> we are playing against Hatton Park. They apparently were annihilated by Stratford and Harbury, in their only match, were annihilated by Coventry. Talent spotters need not attend.

We have decided to have a team/coffee meeting on the first Monday of each month. Much discussion has gone into our team name. Trilobite is under consideration as 'tri' fits in with the 3 Women's Institutes: Harbury, Long Itchington and B.T. playing together, and fossils...!

After choosing a name we maybe need to find our 'haka'. Don't think singing Jerusalem will strike fear into the opposition.

More players would be very welcome. Knowledge of where you can go on the court is not necessary and in fact would show up most of us.

Please ring Kate on 07713113464

## Jokes for Talia at 10 years old

My friend recently got crushed by a pile of books, but he's only got his shelf to blame.

Q. What do you call a dinosaur with an extensive vocabulary?

A. A thesaurus.

Two silk worms had a race. It ended in a tie.

Q. How do you make gold soup?

A. Put in 14 carrots.

Q. Why are fish so intelligent?

A. Because they're always in schools.

Vincent Van Gough walks into a bar, and the bartender offers him a drink...  
No thank you, said Vincent, I've got one 'ere.

I hate Russian dolls. They're so full of themselves.

# Bishop's Tachbrook Sports & Social Club Entertainments

## March

### 7<sup>th</sup> March – Bottle Bingo

If you missed out on our Christmas Bottle bingo or you fancied another go pop along to this event for more super prizes. Eyes down at 8pm

### 8<sup>th</sup> March – Spring Craft Fair (Sunday)

We are holding a Spring Craft Fair starting at 2pm, A variety of stalls from local crafters selling lots of amazing things come round for a browse.

### 14<sup>th</sup> March – Members Night The Wild

#### Rovers

Come and celebrate St Patrick's day when we will be Hosting Irish band The Wild Rovers playing a mixture of songs old and new.

#### Discounted Drinks and Food is Available

### 21<sup>st</sup> March – Twisted Minds

Local Leamington band Twisted Minds will be here again playing the best of rock from the 60's through to present day, a fantastic night not to be missed.

### 28<sup>th</sup> March – Charity Race Night

Our barmaid Lucy is running The London Marathon in aid of the Macmillan Charity after the fantastic care she received from them, and to add to that we are holding a charity race night so come on down to support this great event and have a super fun evening as well.

## AGM – date for your diary

Our AGM is to be held at 8pm on

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March in the function room.

Please do try and come along and bring your questions for the committee or trustees, as well as voting for new committee members

## April

### 4<sup>th</sup> April – The Warning

The Warning are one of Warwickshire's best Rock & Indie covers bands comprising of five accomplished professional musicians, The Warning promise a great night of music & entertainment playing classic tracks from the last few decades

### 11<sup>th</sup> April – Anthill Mob

The Ant Hill Mob are a five piece rock band from Stratford upon Avon performing well known but not often heard classic songs.

A band with a fresh set of music to give you a fantastic evening of live music.

### 12<sup>th</sup> April – Kids Easter Party (Sunday)

A party for the kids at Easter with games, food and music, get your tickets purchased at the club to secure your place. (spaces Limited)

### 18<sup>th</sup> April – Disco Karaoke

Come round and have a dance to some classic Hits or grab a microphone to sing some of your favourite Karaoke songs.

### 25<sup>th</sup> April – Quiz Night

Our Saturday night Quiz hosted by a guest compare asking a multitude of challenging questions to confound even the cleverest of local folks. (with a prize for every team)

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# What's on in Bishop Cleeve

All activities at St Chad's Church

Monday	Activity	Contact
9.30 - 12:00	Little Tinkers Soft Play – Drop in	Stacey Bowen - 07917 385747 or via Facebook
09.30 - 10.30	Walking Netball (at Mid Works College)	Kate Wellsted - 0771 3113464
14.00-15.30	Embroidery Class. £5.00 per session. Beginners to experienced embroiderers welcome.	Zara Day - 07717 371668 zara@rosemaryrose.co.uk
17.00-17.45	Martial Arts Class. Children/ Beginners up to 11 years.	Andy Shaw – andy@linkcube.co.uk
17:45 - 19:00	Martial Arts Class. Over 12 years and adults.	
19:15 - 20:15	Children's cooking class age 8+	Anne Marie Lambert - 07956 955951 getcooking@hotmail.co.uk
20:30 - 21:30	Adults 18+ cooking class	
Tuesday		
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# What's on in Bishop's Tachbrook

## March's one-offs

*Thursday 6th* 19.30, **WI, British Mammals**, BT School, 01926 426797

*Saturday 14th* 10.00 –12.00, **Churchyard gardening**, St Chad's Church, 01926 330050

*Wednesday 11th* 19.30, **Friends of Oakley Wood, Woodland Quiz** Barford Memorial Hall

*Tuesday 17th* 14.30, **History Group, Margaret Rushton Jephson Gardens Team** St Chad's Centre, 01926 885938

*Thursday 12th* 19.30 **Parish Council Meeting** (Chairman of WDC will attend), St Chad's Centre  
parishclerk@bishopstachbrook.com

*Saturday 21st* 09.30 to 12.30, **Parish Working Party, The Churchyard Sessions**  
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*Wednesday 25th* 10.00 –12.00, **Churchyard gardening**, St Chad's Church, 01926 330050

## April's one-offs

*Thursday 2nd* 19.30, **WI, Around the World**, BT School, 01926 426797

*Saturday 11th* 10.00 –12.00, **Churchyard gardening**, St Chad's Church, 01926 330050

*Tuesday 14th* 14.30, **History Group, David Howe—A tour of the railway line in words. Birmingham to Leamington** St Chad's Centre, 01926 885938

*Thursday 16th* 19.30 **Parish Council Meeting**, St Chad's Centre  
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*Wednesday 22nd* 10.00 –12.00, **Churchyard gardening**, St Chad's Church, 01926 330050

*Saturday 25th* 09.30 to 12.30, **Parish Working Party**,  
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# Looking back

## Excerpts from past magazines

*SCHOOL NOTES from March 1965*

At the time of the formal opening in 1963 the point was made that our school was founded by private subscription as a day school in 1765. Those interested in the school and its history were reminded also that its foundation was made possible because of the generosity of a number of local people, principle amongst whom was Sir William Bagot, (Baronet), who donated the land and garden, provided the school and school house and subscribed £50 of the original endowment.

Two points emerge from the foregoing: the first is that 1965 marks the bi-centenary of the school's existence, and the second demonstrates the interest shown by the Bagot family at that earlier date, in the well being of this village and its children.

Since our move into the new buildings a number of parents have suggested that the institution of a badge would make more complete the uniform we have adopted and this provides a possible point of correlation between the school's bi-centenary and the Bagot family.

For this reason, after an earlier abortive flirtation with the Landor family, enquiries are being set in train to investigate the possibility of using for our badge, a design based on the Bagot family coat-of-arms to be adopted by our school this year, possibly about the 21st June, the commemorative date of the formal opening in 1963, or more probably, on a date near the 5th November, on which date in 1962, the school took over the new premises.

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## **News from Heathcote Primary School**

Well I cannot believe that a whole half term has gone already and we are well on the way to spring. Even though it has been a very wet and windy term there are signs of new life everywhere. Our Reception children have been exploring the surrounding areas around our school on their nature walks. They have seen daffodils beginning to break the surface, snowdrops bobbing their heads, buds beginning to form on the trees and a very friendly robin followed them as they skipped along. The daffodils the parish council kindly planted for us at the front of the school are starting to break through the surface and this will add some real colour to our site.

Last month I shared with you some of the exciting things we were planning for January and February and we now have a wonderful willow dome in our forest school area. The Friends of Heathcote Primary School raised funds for this and the children helped Willow Bank (living willow specialists) install it. Mrs Everett our forest school lead now has a very special title of 'Willow Guardian!' She will make sure that we look after it by weaving new growth, cutting back when necessary and talking to it. It is very sustainable as anything we cut can be used in den building as part of our forest school curriculum. Our next step is to create an orchard of fruit trees which the children can harvest from.



We are all very excited as the second phase of building work is about to start. The fencing to keep us safe whilst the construction takes place is going in and the children will be able to watch the rest of our school grow. They will also be involved by choosing colours, furnishings and resources. During the construction they will get to visit and see how buildings are created. We have safety equipment for them to wear and we will document this build on our website. Our playground will double in size too which is something else to look forward to. We have just taken delivery of new playground equipment for the children to explore and build relationships with. They absolutely love playground chalk and we have purchased a large amount. When the children are chalking away we end up with some brilliant art and you can also see how much they love maths as the playground is usually covered with multiplication facts and number lines.

We have been out and about visiting this last half term. Year 3 visited Cadbury's



Chocolate factory as part of their learning of chocolate and their key text 'Charlie and The Chocolate Factory' by Roald Dahl. They had an amazing time and came back buzzing about the process of making chocolate. They also brought some treats back with them which went down very well with everyone. Year 2 have been exploring Victorians and visited Leamington Pump Rooms. They found out all about Victorian Leamington Spa and more specifically the lives of Sam and

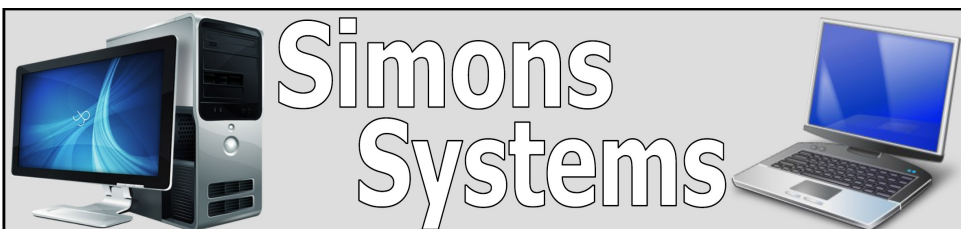


Harriet Lockhart and the beautiful elephants they cared for. They had great fun making clay elephants, spinning tops and even having lunch in the Town Hall.

I would like to introduce to our roving reporter Noah in Year 4. We are encouraging the children to write about their school and find out more about it and Noah is our first reporter. *'Hi my name is Noah and I'm going to talk about the school. In this school we do lots of things but my favourite time is playtime because we have lots of things like the big trim trail. I love that! We also have a lot of equipment like hula hoops and footballs. In class we have lessons and assemblies in the hall and singing workshops called Big Soul Sing. We also have lunch and have lots of choices of food.'*

I hope you enjoy finding out more about our school. Have a lovely March

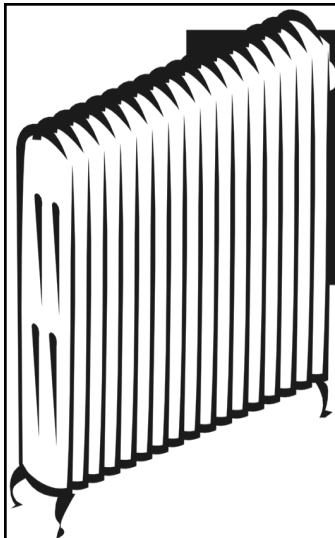
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# History Group

## Domesday -

### A Tale of the Two Tachbrook Villages - 1086

On Tuesday the 11<sup>th</sup> of February the History Group held their AGM at St. Chad's Centre. We were delighted to see many new faces. Some signed up to become members. The AGM was followed by a quiz during which there were cakes, excellent coffee & tea. After this Peter Lister presented his brilliant lecture on The Tachbrook Villages 1086 Domesday book. See if you can translate the old English descriptions below. Any problem turn over the page!

#### Bishop's Tachbrook

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#### Tachbrook Mallory

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Our next lecture is on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> of March @ St Chad's Centre from 14.30.

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# Women's Institute

By Anne Allen

At our first meeting of the year the speaker was Di Vernon , a Blacksmith. She told us her previous profession had been as a midwife but then decided to expand her glasswork from a hobby to a business opening a shop which became so busy there was no time to replace the stock and it closed. Di had by now found her other love blacksmithing. She attends courses and events all over the country and beyond. Nine years ago she attended a course at Acton Scott historic working farm ( setting for Victorian Farm) and hopes soon to attend a competition in Russia. If you visit Middleton Hall in north Warwickshire you'll find Di at work in her smithy. She explained about the making of certain items she had brought along. It was refreshing to have a speaker who really lived, breathed and enjoyed what she did.

We were all very pleased to welcome a new young face to our meeting .

Not having met in January we had lots to catch up on. Our trips and outings are very varied ranging from a visit to Burghley House, 2 different visits to London, one to Changing of the Guard and the other to Gin Lane. We have a treasure hunt in Southam, the opportunity to meet Mrs Thatcher as portrayed by Lesley Smith, learn Mosaic Knitting and Chinese Waitress cast on , knit hats, gloves etc. for the

homeless, enter the annual darts tournament and best of all the 2020 Grand Day Out is to Windsor.

Our wine group will be meeting soon to sample and discuss the hostesses three choices. This will be followed by a light supper, more wine and a lot of chatter. Much the same as the monthly book club . Our knitting group is more sedate . We meet monthly but it's tea and biscuits there. The walking netball is starting to play matches. These are just some of the activities we organise, all great fun and not too serious.

A big thanks for all the stamps and bras I've received. All go to the appropriate charities. Don't forget if you've any unwanted spectacles I'm dropping them off at the end of March.

Do get in touch with me if I can help with information about WI or any of the above. Or just come along to our next meeting. The speaker is Nick Martin who is introducing us to British Mammals . In April we are being taken Around the World by Christine Frey, May is the meeting where we discuss the resolutions forwarded from NFWI and in June Alison Foster is going to explain the Unexpected Role of Plants in Medicine. All sound fascinating. Give me a ring and we can have a chat.

Looking forward we will be having our annual cake and book stall at the beginning of May. Sadly no plants this year but lots of lovely cakes. Why not practice your baking and donate a cake to the stall? More next month.

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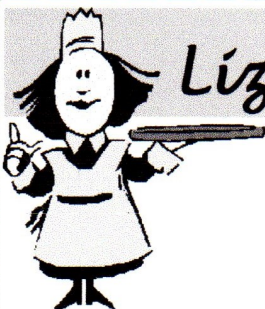
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### Bishop's Tachbrook

The Bishop [of Chester] holds 7 hides in Tachbrook. It is in the Tremelow Hundred. There is arable land for 12 ploughs. The lordship has 2 ploughs. [The inhabitants consist of:] 9 slaves; 11 villein families; a priest; and 7 borderer families. They have 9 ploughs. There are 2 water mills, valued at 12s 8d. There are 12 acres of pasture land. The value at the time of King Edward [the Confessor] was £3, now £7. As much when acquired. This land belongs to St Chad's Church [Lichfield Cathedral].

### Tachbrook Mallory

The Count [of Meulan] holds in Tachbrook 7 and three quarter hides. He derived it from [his father,] Roger [de Beaumont]. There are 6 ploughs of arable land, with the lord having half a plough. [The inhabitants consist of:] 5 villein families and 7 borderer families. They have 3 ploughs. There are 12 acres of pasture land. At the time of King Edward [the Confessor] the value of the manor was 60 shillings, it is now valued at 40 shillings. [In 1066] the land was held freehold by Baldwin.



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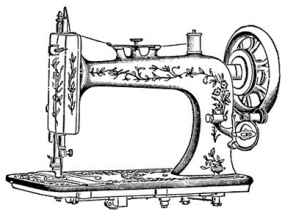
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## Heathcote Park (Park Homes)

Members of the Heathcote Park (Park Homes) site attended a recent meeting with the Police Commissioner, Police officers, representatives of Bishop's Tachbrook Parish Council, and other local residents.

Discussed were the dirty and hazardous state of the Harbury Lane road, due to the building work in progress; the speed of traffic on Harbury Lane and measures which should be taken to deter the threat of antisocial behaviour on parts of Warwick Gates and Bishops Tachbrook.

They were assured all appropriate measures will be taken. At the meeting it was mentioned that parents of youths that are causing threat or damage should show responsibility and advise their family of the consequences of criminal activity and teach them accordingly.

John Walters

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Valerie Dohren

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They're swaying with such grace

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A wonderful display  
Upon a ballroom trimmed with green  
On this, a lovely day

Such beauty thus besets my heart  
And fills me with delight -  
I'm dancing with the Daffodils  
Of yellow, gold and white

Their perfume drifting soft and sweet  
Across the verdant land -  
I long to pluck them from the earth  
To hold them in my hand

I wonder if they see me here  
Amidst their glowing throng  
I'm dancing with the Daffodils  
And singing all day long-

