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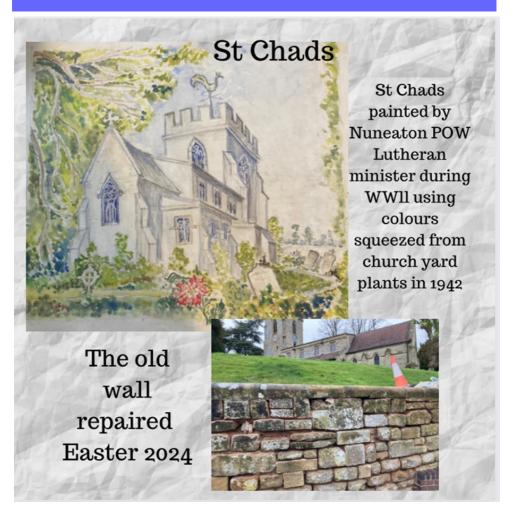
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Latest news from the fun loving ladies

Randomly dispersed amongst the articles are adverts for services, news on the mobile library stops in the village, an invitation to comment on Warwickshire's footpath network, the History Group's plans for 2024 and details of what's going on at Whitnash Catholic Church over Easter. There a lot to read!

A message from the vicar

Revd. Jonathan Smith



'So, we rebuilt the wall till all of it reached half its height, for the people worked with all their heart.' Nehemiah 46-15

Local Churches Bless Us Beyond Measure!

The church building ('faculty' as we call it in the Church of England) has come onto my radar in two ways recently. First, you may have noticed some wall repair works happening at the roadside this Lent. Also we have just signed off the new heating

installation with an Eco condensing boiler. We are hoping to start a project of upgrading to an even greener heating option soon. Second, was a picture of St Chads painted by a Nuneaton P.O.W. on leave during World War II using colours squeezed from the plants in the churchyard. (See opposite page).

These are reminders that in the heart of our village of Bishops Tachbrook lies this enormous blessing for everyone, but a blessing which I believe is more than just walls and paintings. I think local churches hold the very soul and essence of communities, and at festival times, like Easter, people notice village churches a little more. St Chads nestled at the top of the green, stands as a beacon of light and hope, a symbol of unity, a source of boundless blessings. It's a blessing that can never be overstated.

Beyond its beauty and historical significance, our church serves as a cornerstone of our community, fostering a sense of belonging and togetherness from school groups to community café and village events. In a world often characterized by chaos and uncertainty, our church provides a sacred space where individuals from all walks of life can come together in faith and fellowship. One of the most profound blessings our village church community gives us is opportunity for personal spiritual growth and connection with God. Through its doors, we find solace in times of hardship, guidance in moments of doubt, and times of great joy and celebration. The whole range of what it means to live life fully as a human happens here. It's not just within the walls of the church, but within the hearts of all who gather where people find inspiration to live with purpose and compassion.

Easter services or festive Christmas celebrations are wonderful, and these serve as the backdrop for many cherished community gatherings. However, it's by the Sunday-by-Sunday and week-by-week meetings that remain the heartbeat of a worshipping community. It gives us a chance to go deeper into friendship as we meet and learn what following Jesus means for our lives and consequently for our families and friends. Meeting together regularly helps us to honour our shared stories, celebrate achievements, and support one another through life's joys and sorrows

As Easter approaches, the importance of having a village church becomes especially important. It is during this sacred season that we are reminded of the timeless message of hope, renewal, and redemption that lies at the heart of our community.

At Easter services we sing jubilant hymns and speak triumphant reminders of a God who came to bring us His transformative power of love and forgiveness.

It is certainly a fact that we have a luxury of church flavours in our large towns nearby, but when local, faithful Christians decide to invest time and imagination in our local patch both in prayer and service, then we see God's amazing plans of hope revealed in our local context. Easter is a great time to be reminded and thank God for the blessing of having a local church which extends far beyond some ancient stones! The building stands as a vision to the strength of community, a testament to the richness of heritage, and to the depth of our journeying faith.

May we give special thanks this Easter for the immeasurable blessings bestowed upon us by God at our village church, and may its light continue to shine brightly for generations to come. We extend a Happy Easter and a warm welcome to join us at the upcoming Easter events and services. More information about what we do can be found on the church noticeboards or website www.stchadsbt@gmail.org

From everyone at St Chads have a very HAPPY EASTER. Rev Jonathan







Celtic traditional and contemporary songs and tunes. Music from England, Ireland, Scotland, Wales. "...mesmerising harp and cello...wonderful gentle harmonies....an uplifting journey." (BBC).

Sat 13th April

St Chads Church Bishops Tachbrook 7:30pm

Tickets are £12.00 on the door.

Parish Council News

By Matt Greene

If there is ever to be a path to Oakley Wood, something many residents desire, planning permission would be required and it is quite possible that, without a fully costed and deliverable plan to cross Banbury Road, WCC's Highways team would object to and block the project.

With the help of County Cllr. Jan Matecki, we've been engaging with the highways team to discuss possible solutions for crossing the road. The most likely solution would involve a pedestrian refuge in the middle of a marked crossing (bridges and tunnels are out of the question!); however, such an installation will require street lighting and other safety measures.

Initial costs of these highways works (so not the actual delivery of the path) have been suggested as being somewhere between £275k and £400k. Clearly this is a large amount and it is presently unknown how much WDC and WCC (who committed to the delivery of the path to Oakley Wood as part of the school planning application) will fund.

Residents should keep in mind the promises that have been made to our community and keep pushing for the investment in infrastructure that we both deserve and have been promised. However, we should also keep in mind that, any failure to deliver the path, would likely generate significant savings for other branches of local government - as such, driving the project forward rests with the Parish which stands to benefit far more than it loses

You will have seen the wider road safety and traffic update from Cllr. Leigh Carter included elsewhere within this magazine. We are liaising with both safer neighbourhood policing teams to try and get attendance at Bishop's Tachbrook Primary School, Kingsley Road entrance, and Heathcote Primary School to ensure responsible parking and driving. If you must drive to Bishop's Tachbrook Primary School please use the Underhill Way entrance where there is adequate parking provision.

The District Council has listened to residents and Parish Councillors concerns

regarding the lack of a toddler swing in the new Seven Acre Close play area. It is expected to open on 1st March, weather permitting, and there should be a toddler swing.

Alas, we are still waiting to hear from the District Council on concerns expressed by residents regarding the surfacing on the Jakeman Way play area. Our District Councillors are aware and we hope to have an update shortly.

On The Asps development we are trying to find out about the community facilities and when the school will be built. We need to ensure that the issues being experienced by residents and parents are not repeated on this development. Signage, road markings and speed restrictions need to be in place from day one of the school opening.

The problems highlighted with incorrect tax base figures from the District Council continue to impact us and take up a lot of time. Legally we must set a precept by 1st March even if we believe the figures provided by the District Council are incorrect. We have set a precept of £155,000 believing this would mean an annual increase of £2.58 per year for a typical Band D property.

However, the District Council has now informed us that due to their figures being incorrect (something they concede) this would actually mean the increase would be £4.13 per year - with the additional money raised not automatically flowing to this Parish. Following a call with a WDC officer as well as District Cllr. Matt Collins, there was an acceptance that WDC is not reflecting all the housing within our community as part of their calculations and WDC have committed to undertaking additional work on this matter. In the meantime, the Parish Council will adjust the Precept to ensure that the impact on residents is negated. For the avoidance of doubt, we intend to recover the remaining funds from WDC and, following correspondence between both parties, there is an acceptance that this will be necessary.

We understand the County Council will be increasing their tax by 4.99% and the District Council by 2.99% - we understand these rises to be the maximum permitted.

Sewage issues on Oakley Wood Road continue to worry councillors. No planning application has been received by the District Council for the promised works to address the issue. Residents must continue to walk, run and cycle through this hazard on a relatively regular basis and, as noted in the update from Cllr. Carter, we now have a situation whereby children will have to walk to Oakley School on an unlit 50mph speed limit road through sewage. This is unacceptable and our District and County Councillors need to work together to resolve this issue.

There is a County Council Rights of Way Improvements Plan Consultation currently taking place. Details can be found on the County Council website.

In preparation for the South Warwickshire Local Plan Consultation, due at the end of this year, councillors have agreed that they are not presently in favour of further housing within the Parish (for many reasons but clearly infrastructure and congestion are key considerations); however, we must all recognise that we may be 'forced' to take a share of some. In preparation for the consultation process the parish council is undertaking its own analysis of sites. Residents will have a full chance to have their say when the consultation period starts. Please note that the Parish Council is a consultee only - WDC is the planning authority.

The Meadow and Oakley Meadows allotments waiting list now consists of three people. We are pleased that we have been able to offer many of our residents plots and would note that we have achieved this by only permitting half plots on the Meadow. Please note that, on Friday 8th March there will be tree work taking place in the Meadow allotments.

A new combination lock is being fitted to the Meadow allotments. If any allotment holder hasn't received an email or letter with the new code please contact the clerk.

There are several tenancy agreements which haven't been returned to the clerk. If you are an allotment holder who hasn't signed your agreement please do sign it and return to the clerk.

Fires will be permitted in the allotments from Sunday, 17th March until Saturday, 23rd March (inclusive) - thus avoiding Mother's Day (10 March) and Easter (31

March).

The work on the new car park and driveway is nearly complete. We thank Cllr. Peter Guest for managing this project on behalf of the Parish Council. It should greatly improve parking for the Meadow. Installation of EV chargers will follow in due course.

We have received a concern regarding the water in the in-ground trampoline; unfortunately there is nothing we can do about this. We have to wait for the water to subside as there are no drainage channels and the land is saturated.

Our next ordinary meeting will be on Thursday, 14th March at 7.30pm at St. Chad's Centre.

BISHOP'S TACHBROOK HISTORY GROUP PROGAMME 2024		
13th February AGM and quiz	13th August 'A River Avon Year' Speaker Rick Thompson	
12th Marc h 'If Warwick Walls Could Talk' Speaker Trevor Langley	10th September Outing to Taylor's bell foundry, Loughborough	
9th April Postscript to Civil War – the long road back Speaker Mac McCarthy	8th October 'Postman's knock Speaker Alan Godfrey	
14th May The Royal Warwickshire Regiment and successors Speaker Lt Col John Rice	12th November 'Christmas songs through the ages' Speaker Dr Richard Churchley	
11th June Outing to Yeomanry Museum	3rd December Festive Lunch at the Leopard Inn	
9th July 'Silk weaving in the Cotswolds Speaker Dick Cluley		

District Council Update

By Matt Collins

Flooding

While the local river levels fell in Warwick District, we must all remain vigilant as we expect more downfall. Please be careful before driving through flood water as it creates a bow-wave, which causes more damage to homes and businesses. Please make sure to report any flooding seen on roads or highways to the County Council on 01926 412 515 so that they can act. If you see any flooding



Your Warwick District Councillors Matt Collins (left) and Andrew Day (right)

from sewers, make sure to report them to Severn Trent Water by calling 0800 783 4444!

See more on the Council's flooding information webpage at

warwickdc.gov.uk/info/20143/floods.

Budget

Warwick District Council has recently approved their new budget. This year's budget was tough to balance but is good as it doesn't cut any services. It invests in improving our services and provides additional money for support during the cost of living crisis. The Council will have to use some of its savings to allow us to invest in making the services better, but by 2027 we hope these changes will save more money than we spend, and we'll be back to a surplus. Thanks to an extra £173,400 from the government, the Council can do even more good things. We're putting an additional £65,000 towards helping people with the cost of living crisis, bringing the total to £200,000 over three years. This money will support programs that help reduce debt and provide financial stability, which have really made a difference in other parts of the county. There's also money going towards fixing playgrounds, with £54,400 set aside and there's £50,000 for biodiversity, which will help protect our local wildlife and improve green spaces.

Plus, £4,000 is going to support Armed Forces Day, showing our support for those who serve our country.

In short, even though it's a challenging budget, the Council is working hard to make sure we keep getting good services and improve them. It's great to see investments in important areas that will make a real difference.

Elections

The District Council is advertising paid roles to support with the running of the Police and Crime Commissioner election on the 2nd of May. Depending on the role, no experience is required and can be a great way of getting involved with the election process while earning! See more on the Council's website.

We're here to help! If you've any issues or would like to chat, please do reach out.

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Traffic and Road Safety matters

By Leigh Carter

Safety concerns around Heathcote Primary School Vickers Way / Garrett Drive / Harbury Lane

Residents and the school caretaker started to raise safety concerns about this area in June 2023, both in writing and in person at Parish Council meetings. As Parish Council lead on traffic and road safety trying to get some action taken has been a long frustrating journey.

The roads in question are in a legal limbo. They have not been adopted by Warwickshire County Council (WCC) because the developer Barrett Homes had not met the necessary requirements to allow this to happen.

Despite the ambiguity created by non-adoption, the Parish Council sent a letter to Barrett Homes in July setting out residents' safety concerns, asking for improvements to the Garrett / Vickers junction and the addition of yellow lines to deter dangerous parking.

After much chasing, the Parish Council received a reply in September saying that Barrett Homes would only carry out improvement work if WCC carried out a safety audit and instructed them to do so. Cllr Jan Matecki, our County Councillor, subsequently initiated the safety audit resulting in an instruction to carry out the works being issued to Barrett Homes. The work was completed in February. Cllr Matecki has further submitted a request for double yellow lines to be painted at the junction of Garrett Drive and Harbury Lane to discourage dangerous parking at school times. WCC collect these requests over a 12-month period and only decide on them annually in March of the following year. This means that getting



yellow lines is not a quick process and it can take up to 12 months to implement after it has ben approved.

Persistence and patience get things done, there are rarely short cuts to any of our objectives and we have to work within frustrating policies and procedures.

Thanks to all the residents who have campaigned, organised petitions, sent emails and attended Parish Council meetings over the last 12 months. Special thanks to the school caretaker who works tirelessly on these issues. Thanks also to our District Councillors and County Councillor for their support.

The Parish Council continue to lobby for the stretch of Harbury Lane outside Heathcote Primary School be reduced to 30mph with associated traffic calming measures. We are coming up against those frustrating policies and procedures again which seem to fly in the face of common sense.

Local parent & resident Josie McCormick has initiated an online petition to improve road safety around Heathcote Primary School to include the speed limit reduction. Please take a moment to sign the petition at

<u>www.democracy.warwickshire.gov.uk</u> – it really helps to amplify the issue with WCC and build momentum. Many thanks Josie.



Oakley Grove school entrance road works

The works to construct the school entrance, associated road widening & Harbury Lane junction improvements are provisionally scheduled to be carried out between 18th March 2024 and 9th June 2024.

Oakely Wood Road will remain open for traffic one way South (village) to North (Warwick Gates) for the duration of the works. North to South will be closed. There will also be full nighttime closure between the 2nd -9th June 2024 to enable tarmacking of the road surfaces.

Oakely Wood Road will remain open for pedestrians for the duration of the works by reinstating the old path on the East side of OWR.

Construction traffic flow will be one way & the Parish Council has requested it is limited to 20mph through the narrow / residential part of OWR as it is usually subject to a 7.5t weight restriction.

There will be a resident leaflet drop before the works begin.

Oakley Grove safe route to school

Given that the Country Park will not be open to the public for some time, there is a need to reconsider some aspects of the school travel plan, particularly as it impacts on 'safe walking routes to school'.

Cllr Matecki is in dialogue with the highway authority to achieve a satisfactory outcome, particularly for children from Bishop Tachbrook village.

Recent closure of Fosse Way & diversion route

The recent four-day closure of The Fosse Way saw HGV's being diverted along the 7.5t restricted Oakley Wood Road causing safety issues for residents & road users. This, we have now been told, was an error by County Highways. The County Highways technician didn't review the suitability of the diverted route provided to him by the utility company nor did he send the notification to the Parish Council. The Parish Council have been assured this will not happen again.

Oakley Meadow News

Paul Gilman

Following the successful trees planting in January there was a subsequent Working Party event on 17th Feb when a group of enthusiastic residents planted a further 18 established trees on the upper section of the meadow to replace those that had died since the site was originally planted by the developer. A variety of native trees especially suited to the local conditions were sourced from Hintons Nursery, they have taken well and have already made a significant improvement to the site.

In addition to established trees, 150 saplings were also planted on the wild area at the top of the field as again this area has failed to 'take' following adopting of the site from the developer. Special thanks to Chris Peel from The Tree Planter for initiating this & for clearing the overgrown areas of brambles; in a few years this areas will be a wonderful established coppice.

On Saturday 24th BTPC Working Party & local residents will be planting a hedgerow around the new allotments, another example of the community taking action together to improve the place we live.

Unfortunately here have been some recent incidents of vandalism on the development with a number of trees being destroyed, while these can eventually be replaced it comes with a cost to us all & makes the development look disrespected and uncared for. In the most recent incident this week the culprits were identified as students of a local school and investigations are underway to identify them. Let us all hope this is the end of such anti-social behaviour.

I have also conducted a Site Audit this month with HLM & the grounds team to review the maintenance requirements for the coming year. If any residents have questions regarding ongoing maintenance these can be raised on the ARLO Portal or can be addressed to me directly.

If anyone has a car with tow hitch who would like to be involved with the Parish Working Party—please contact Paul be emailing paul@bishopstachbrook.com

Before and After picture of the sapling planting





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Nature Page By Steve Harvey

Well the days are stretching out at last, with more than a hint of warmth from the sun, if it stops raining for long enough. I remember my Dad and Grandad talking about "Fill dyke February" when its common for persistent rain to fill the ditches or dykes causing flooding. Nothing much has changed then. I reckon I went to school with Phil Dyke!

By late Jan, on sunny days, the Honey Bees were out in force finding flowers of Heather and Snowdrops to their fancy. Its often said that the Bumble Bees, with their fur coats, are the first out but I didn't see one until 12th Feb. Love them reappearing. I want to say " Its such a buzz", but I wont.

Great Spotted Woodpeckers were drumming on their chosen trees, ones with dead branches for good loud resonance that can be heard a long way off.

The Dawn Chorus is building, adding to the Robins and Song Thrushes that have sung all Winter. The Mistletoe Thrush, Gold Finch and Chaffinch have started and right on time, my favourite the Blackbird, began on Feb 14th "Valentine's Day". The doorway to Spring is swinging open.



The more you watch nature the more you see. Visiting the Bird Table for the last month now is a Blue Tit with an overgrown beak. The beak looks about half an inch long and probably four times longer than it should be. It lands on the Bird Table turning its head to one side to be able to pick up the Sunflower Hearts. It then nips to the

adjacent Acer tree where it turns its head again to try to break up the seed. Hard work all day. I reckon its only the supply of food on the Bird Table that is keeping it alive as the feeders are too difficult for it to feed from. Good luck to that little Blue Tit - hope it can continue.

As I was driving down the Fosse on a bright sunny morning in early February, ahead of me in the sky were a group of Red Kite. They took turns in rising up in the air, then dropping down on to something. The low sunlight showing the red and brown on their backs and wings. As I drove closer I could see what they were up to. A fox had been knocked down and killed on the verge. Six Red Kite and two Carrion Crows (living up to their name) were trying to grab a bite to eat on a busy roadside. I'm always surprised at how big Kites are.

Back at the cottage the next morning we had two Muntjacs visiting, a male and a female. She slipped guietly through a gap in the old fence and into the spinney. He spent quite a while rubbing his face glands against a twiggy bush before following her into the Spinney. I've heard him barking for a few weeks now, must be a mating pair. Always like to see them but they can do a lot of damage in the garden - ask Sue in Langley about her Roses!

Also in Langley another friend, Anna, told me the Squirrel tale. This particular Squirrel had been collecting acorns from beneath a beautiful old Oak Tree at the end of her drive. Nothing unusual about that except that instead of burying them to store them it carried the Acorns to Anna's car and carefully hidden them in the many nooks and crannies on the underside of the vehicle. A car packed with food. "Meals on wheels!"





Monday 18th March 7:30pm

Please join the Friends of Oakley Wood and the Warwickshire Wildlife Trust at the

Barford Memorial Hall Church Street, CV35 8EN

for a glass of wine and a catch-up on the latest news from the woods

including a presentation by Nick Martin

Nature Reserves Manager, Warwickshire Wildlife Trust

"Wildlife of Brandon Marsh and other WWT Nature Reserves including Oakley Wood"

Followed by a

A fun woodland-based quiz

Anyone welcome, please just turn up! oakleywood.org.uk

A short AGM with be incorporated into the evening

Bioblitz

Friends of Oakley Wood are intending to hold a Bioblitz in the wood this summer.

One was held in 2014, and we feel it would be a good time to find out what effect 10 years of forest maintenance has had. We're still at the planning stage, and at the moment we're looking for knowledgeable local volunteers who could help with the identification of species found during the day. The date we currently have pencilled in is 2nd June.

Take a look at the results from the 2014 Bioblitz for an idea of what might be found.

If you think you can help and would like to volunteer, or have other specialist knowledge that you think would be useful, please contact us via

info@oakleywood.org.uk.

St Joseph's Catholic Church, Whitnash CV31 2JJ

The area covered by our parish includes Bishops Tachbrook and Warwick Gates. The church is open every day for prayer. More details every week at www.stjosephs47.org.uk

Holy Week and Easter Services 2024

Palm Sunday, blessing of Palms and Holy Mass at usual Sunday times, 10am and 5.30pm

Holy Thursday 8pm Mass of the Lord's Supper and silent prayer until Midnight to follow

Good Friday 3pm Liturgy of the Lord's Passion with veneration of the Cross

Holy Saturday 8.30pm Easter Vigil Mass

Easter Day 10.00am and 5.30pm Mass

WI

By Anne Allen

Our February meeting was different to that advertised, due to the speaker breaking his arm and not being able to drive. How inconvenient of him! Hats and Co came to our rescue. They are based on Regent Street in Leamington since 2005 and predominantly hire hats for special occasions. Between them, Erica and Ann explained the history of hats, the first pictorial depiction being in a tomb painting from Thebes 3200BC, the fabrics used for hats, Queen Victoria had one made from dyed white horsehair and the fact that Luton was the centre of the hat trade once having 2000 different milliners but now only about 20.

We then got down to the trying on . A group of us were chosen and all given a hat to wear. We then discussed the suitability of said hat but when the expert's changed the hat the difference it made was amazing.

A fun evening plus it was lovely to get to try on a few of the 600 hats they have



for hire.

Whilst I appreciate Judy's expression is not the best, doesn't she look stunning in the dark hat compared to the fascinator

We are planning to hold our annual cake stall on May 4th on the village green. If you would like to donate a cake large or small, we will love you forever. (you just need to list the ingredients) Do come along and support us 9:15 until we sell out.

The Federation has again organised lots of events for our enjoyment, including a cookery demonstration using the Federation's own cook book and also another on pickles and chutneys. There are also talks by John Scott a costume designer and TV presenter, the wonderful Lesley Smith as Peggy Knight and Serious Science lecturers 1-Space: The Fuel Cell Frontier and The Amazing World of Bacteria. We can make a willow plant support, enter a scrabble competition or enjoy a poetry workshop. As you can see there is something for everyone.

It was agreed we'd carry on with our Supper Club. This is a fun evening and usually rather noisy. It wouldn't be anything else when 20 of us get together.

Our speaker in March is Tracey Barnbrook who is going to tell us about the Secrets of our Gut. Tracey is a Gut Health Coach and helps people to be their best version, boosting energy, mental performance and health. Sounds fascinating, why not come along and hear what Tracey can do for you.

In April Cym Baseley will be letting us in to the Life of a Smallholder and in May Charlie Yarrow is going to explain Hand Reflexology. You are always welcome to come along one evening and find out more of what we get up to.

The WI and Friends Knitting Group meet on the second Tuesday of the month in the Leopard at 7:00pm . A great time for helping each other out with tricky projects, chatting and a drink of some description. Either give me a call or just turn up with your work the more the merrier.

If I can help you with anything WI related do please give me a call

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If you don't use them, we'd like to know why and what, if anything, we can do to help.



St Chad's Centre Schedule

Monday	Activity	Contact
10-11.30am	ST CHAD'S' TINIES We are a friendly playgroup for children aged 0-4 years and their carers. Hot drinks and snacks, toys, craft activities and singing. All welcome. Term time only	Contact on Facebook
17.00-19.00	MARTIAL ARTS Class. Over 12 years and adults	Andy Shaw – andy@linkcube.co.uk

Tuesday	Activity	Contact
9.15-12.30	Take your little ones on a Sensory Story-telling Adventure every Tuesday at St Chad's Centre, as we bring brilliant books to life with puppets, props, bubbles and sensory activities. Mini Adventurers (0-18 months) 9.15am - 10.00am Diddy Adventurers (0-12 months) 10.30am - 11.15am Mini Adventurers (0-18 months) 11.45am - 12.30am Booking essential please visit www.adventurebabies.co.uk/ warwickshireandcoventry to secure your place or contact lindsey@adventurebabies.co.uk	lindsey@adventure babies.co.uk or visit: www.adventurebab ies.co.uk/ warwickshireandco ventry
12th March at 2.30	HISTORY GROUP 'If Warwick Walls Could Talk' presented by Trevor Langely	bthistorygroup@ou tlook.com

	ATOMIC DANCE Mini Freestyle and Acrobatic	
	Arts	
	4.30pm-5.15pm – Ages 4-7	
	A combination of Freestyle Dance and Acrobatic Arts	
	Junior Freestyle & Acrobatic Arts 2	Contact Ellie Rowe 07392 348155 or
	5.15pm-6.15pm - Ages 7-12	ellie@atomicdance
16.30-19.00	A combination of Freestyle Dance and Acrobatic Arts	.co.uk
	Junior – Lyrical/Street/Jazz	www.atomicdance .co.uk
	6.15pm-7.00pm Ages 7-12	
	A combination of Street and Jazz Techniques	
	Please see website for more details	
	YOGA	
	Supporting Health & Wellbeing	
19.00-20.00	Yoga classes with Amanda	
	Specialising in yoga for beginners. Sedentary workers, and mums.	
	Please bring your own mat / block	

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	ADVENTURE BABIES	
	Take your little ones on a Sensory Story-telling Adventure every Wednesday at St Chad's Centre, as we bring brilliant books to life with puppets, props, bubbles and sensory activities.	lindsey@adventur ebabies.co.uk
	Mini Adventurers (0-18 months) 9.15am - 10.00am	or visit:
9.15-12.30	Diddy Adventurers (0-12 months) 10.30am - 11.15am	www.adventureba bies.co.uk/
	Mini Adventurers (0-18 months) 11.45am - 12.30am	warwickshireandc oventry
	Booking essential please visit www.adventurebabies.co.uk/ warwickshireandcoventry to secure your place or contact lindsey@adventurebabies.co. uk	
18.00-19.00	YOGA	
	Supporting Health & Wellbeing	
	Yoga classes with Amanda	www.lifewithaman
	Specialising in yoga for beginners. Sedentary workers, and mums.	daj.com
	Please bring your own mat / block	

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Thursday	Activity	Contact
10.15-11.45	ST CHAD'S COMMUNITY CAFÉ Serving Drinks and Cake for you to enjoy	kateatkaribu22 @outlook.com 07713113464
12.15-13.15	YOGA/MINDFULLNESS A gentle and relaxing yoga/ mindfulness class to increase physical flexibility, mobility and improve	www.lifewithaman daj.com
	mental wellbeing and awareness. To book please contact Amanda	Message or WhatsApp 07795498759

Friday	Activity	Contact
10.00-12.00	TAI CHI - All Classes are for beginners but are suitable for anyone. First class is free, so no reason not to find if Tai Chi is right for you.	Peter Fletcher 07487 685679
Sundays 18.15-20.00	ST CHAD'S YOUTH CLUB	www.stChad'sbt .org

