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Our next Vicar

As you know, David and Ann will be leaving us at the end of October this year and as a result we are starting the process of finding a new Vicar.

Getting the right person to lead us in the next phase of our growth as a church community is very important and we therefore want to make sure we get as much input in to this process as we can.

We invite you to send your (brief!) answers to the following questions to the churchwardens so your views can be considered:

1. What do you most value about your parish church?
2. How could your parish church be more relevant to you?
3. What characteristics are most important in a new Vicar?

For **Christ Church** please reply to: Heather Walker at Kilindini, Plough Lane, Marston or Margaret Armand-Smith at 2 The Green, Marston.

For **St. Mary's** please reply to: Janet Molland at 36 Whistley Road, Potterne or Keith Thorman at 3 Tolbar Close, Potterne. Please reply by September 11th.

Thank you.

WORTON & MARSTON LADIES GROUP

Our July meeting was supposed to be a talk by Alan Truscott on 'Blue China' but on arrival there wasn't a piece of Blue China to be seen, instead numerous items adorned the table. Alan had his brief wrong and gave a talk on 'Unusual Collectibles' which proved to be very interesting. We had to try and guess what the objects were and their uses. Primrose, having once worked in a pharmacy, got the first one correct straight away; it was a Victorian suppository mould. Not that I am saying Primrose was around in Victorian times, but obviously they were still in use not so long ago. We hope to get Alan back next year for the Blue China talk.

There was no meeting in August due to the holiday period. I hope you all enjoyed the lovely weather; let's hope it lasts.

The September meeting will be on Wednesday 28th at 8pm in the village hall when we welcome 'Jewellery by Sabrina' so ladies bring your purses.

Advance notice for the October meeting when we welcome the Poulshot Ladies; the evening will be a talk/demonstration by Pam Lewis - Floral Art.

Hostesses for September: Jane Loveys and Lorna Phillips

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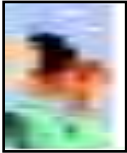
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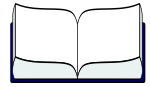


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Letter from the Vicarage



Olympic time again and so far (day 5) several British athletes have not achieved what we hoped they might. A fall in the gymnastics, a crash in the cycling and years of hard work comes to nothing in terms of medals. It amazes me how personally many spectators seem to take these games.

Everyone becomes an expert, analysing what went wrong, as though the athletes owe them something individually. We have a tendency to think of people doing things on our behalf, sometimes quite wrongly. For example, a comment to me a few months ago shows how misunderstood is the role of a Vicar. "Your job, Vicar, is to do the religion for us all" I was told. Sorry, but I disagree with that.

With only a couple of months to retirement, and helping to put together a profile for the next Vicar here, I have been thinking a bit about my role recently.

The job of a Vicar is hard to describe, it is very varied and sometimes almost indefinable. It is difficult to measure success or failure; at the end of each day it is impossible to say 'I have made this' as a craftsman might. So what is my role about?

It is certainly NOT 'doing religion for other people'. The Christian Faith is not something that can be done for you. It has to be a personal relationship with God through faith in Jesus Christ and what He did for us, especially through the cross and resurrection. Like any re-

lationship there must be personal commitment. My job is to encourage people in that relationship, to help them grow in their own understanding of God and what He wants from and for each individual.

Going back to the Olympic picture; I am not the one who runs some kind of churchy race on behalf of the villages while everyone else looks on. I am more like the coach whose job is to encourage everyone to do what God wants of them to the best of their ability. In the Christian community that takes the form of deepening a faith already there, outside that community it is reminding people that God is there for them and wants them to follow His son, Jesus.

We are all in a spiritual Olympics of our own; my job, and that of my successor, is simply to help each person run their particular race. A thirteenth century prayer puts it perfectly: 'Dear Lord, of you three things I pray: to see you more clearly, love you more dearly, follow you more nearly, day by day.' Now that, it seems to me, is really what a Vicar is for!

David Howard 01380 723189
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SERVICE CALENDAR

September

October

Sun 4th TRINITY 15
8.00am CHRIST CHURCH
Holy Communion
9.30am CHRIST CHURCH
Family Service
6.00pm *Marston Chapel*
Mr Tom Hill

Sun 11th TRINITY 16
9.30am CHRIST CHURCH
Parish Communion
6.00pm *Marston Chapel*
Rev Wendy Tucker

Sun 18th HARVEST FESTIVAL
11.00am FIVE LANES FARM
Joint Harvest Festival
6.00pm *Marston Chapel*
Rev Gary Gotham
Holy Communion

Sun 25th TRINITY 18
9.30am CHRIST CHURCH
Parish Communion
6.00pm *Marston Chapel*
Rev Cathy Arscott

Sun 2nd TRINITY 19
8.00am CHRIST CHURCH
Holy Communion
9.30am CHRIST CHURCH
Family Service
6.00pm *Marston Chapel*
Rev Gary Gotham
Harvest Festival



There was a Service of Thanksgiving for June Bodman at Christ Church during July 2016.

Visit the church website: www.christchurchworton.org.uk

CHURCH ROTAS

Sidesmen – September 2016

Sun 4 th	8.00am	Mr R Shercliff	Holy Communion
	9.30am	Mrs S Nixon, Mr T Brewer	Family Service
Sun 11 th	9.30am	Mrs L Hale, Mr R Boyns	Parish Communion
Sun 18 th	9.30am	No Service at Christ Church (Harvest Festival is at Five Lanes Farm at 11.00am)	
Sun 25 th	9.30am	Mrs A Cross, Mr T Walker	Parish Communion

Sidesmen – October 2016

Sun 2 nd	8.00am	Mr R Shercliff	Holy Communion
	9.30am	Mrs M Boyns, Mr T Harwood	Family Service

	Altar Flowers	Brass Cleaning	Church Flowers
September 4 th	Mrs Brierley	Mrs Collins	Mrs M Brewer
September 11 th	Mrs Walker	Mrs Mason	Mrs A Darling
September 18 th	Mrs Francis	Mrs J Wright	Mrs S Horn
September 25 th	Mrs F. Smith	Mrs Lane	Mrs D Harwood

Church Cleaning

September 3 rd	Mrs Cross	Mrs Nixon
September 17 th	Mr Wright	Mrs Wright



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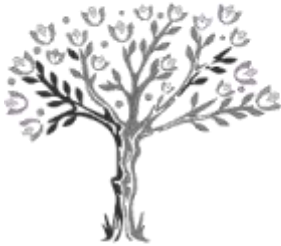
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Advance notice:
Saturday 8th October
at The Dell, 32 High Street, Worton
(hosted by Cheryl Hailstone, + Vivien Ley)



Harvest Festival

Last year was so enjoyable,
this year we are again meeting for Harvest at

**Five Lanes Farm on
September 18th at 11.00 a.m.**

Christ Church and St Mary's congregations
will join together in the marquee.

**After the service we hope you can stay for shared lunch, and
relax in the beautiful surroundings of the farm.**



Please bring a contribution to a shared lunch
and sign the list at the back of either church to
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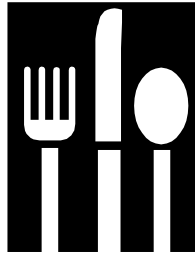


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QUIZZINE



For Christ Church 175th Anniversary Fund.

Worton and Marston Village Hall on **Friday September 9th at 7:00 p.m.**
A quiz all about food including a four-course meal with wine, all for **£12.50 per head**, (extra wine may be purchased during the evening).

Strictly teams of 8, maximum of 80 people, so first come first served.

Raffle in aid of Wiltshire Air Ambulance.

For booking your table phone **Ali Pratt on 726868.**

A good fun quiz and you eat well too!

Flower Show - 3rd September

A final reminder of the photographic classes for the Flower Show:

Adult section:

1. Early Morning
2. Clouds
3. Pollinators

Under16s (as at 31st August)

1. Tree bark
2. A spider's web
3. Around the pond

Will all trophy holders return them to a committee member before the Show please.

Also, we would be very pleased to receive any prizes for the raffle.

Thank you, Heather Walker for Flower Show Committee.

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A reminder that there will be a **farewell party** for David and Ann Howard in the Village Hall on **Friday 14th October at 7pm.**

A buffet supper will be provided so it would be helpful if you could let one of us know if you will be attending to give us an idea of numbers for catering please.

Many thanks,

Margaret Armand-Smith: 01380 - 729248

Jean Lane: 01380 - 722069

Heather Walker: 01380 - 725785



Have you heard of the City of Ancora? It is a virtual world which children can visit to help recover the lost stories which make the spire shine!

'Guardians of Ancora' doesn't immediately seem to speak of the Bible. But with each annual report of Holiday Club you will now be realising that this is simply a peg upon which to hang team names, crafts and a storytelling theme. Your Vicar was transformed into engineer *Kat* and played to *Cassie Fisher's Keeper of the keys* as they introduced five events from the Bible involving Jesus.

About 25 adults and 10 teenagers helped a total of 85 children explore the theme in groups of junior guardians. Thankfully the weather was great and each day we were all well provided for in squash and biscuits as well as other delicious treats through your support, thank you. Those who live near to the Vicarage Garden may well have been entertained by the laughter and happy songs – we hope so.

Friday's water fight proved as popular as ever, gifting the 60 children and 15 participating adults alike with the joy of it all. A great feature this year is that the children can continue the fun by logging on to guardiansofancora.com and playing a game which teaches them Bible stories in a relevant, involving way.

So, thanks for the provisions, thanks to Marston for the marquee, thanks for sending the children, thanks to the team (and the children of the team who share their parent) and special thanks to *Fi Walker* for keeping us all on track.



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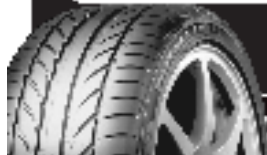
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Well the holidays have flown by and the new term is beginning. We start back on Wednesday 7th September, ready to do more making, sticking, painting, baking and playing.

The past year has found us with a very young group, but it has been a great opportunity for parents and carers to sit around the craft table with the children and get to know each other. This term the children should be ready for more challenges.

It has been nice to see the numbers creeping up, including four babies.

If you have a pre-school child in your care and would like to give us a try you will find a lovely friendly inclusive group of parents, grandparents and carers who will make you welcome. You can ring or just turn up on Wednesdays 10-12 during term time. We charge £1.50 per family and the first visit is free.

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You've never heard saxophones like this! On Saturday October 15th at 7.30pm in Edington Priory Church, Marici Saxes will show you what beautiful, honey-toned and dextrous instruments the saxophone family includes.

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They have just completed their first CD, recorded in Wiltshire, and are already making huge waves on the London and international music scene. This is yet another Edington Arts concert not to be missed.

Tickets are £20 front nave, £ 15 rear nave and £10 sides, (10% discount to Edington Angels and 18 and under come free) in advance from 01380 831256 or music@edingtonarts.org . Programme information and (hopefully, if we can master the technology!) samples of their music will be at www.edingtonarts.org . (Please add £2 per ticket if you buy on the door).

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Sandleaze Playing Field - Sincere apologies for the disruption to the play facilities at Sandleaze created by the land drainage works. The land draining has left soil and stones in raised lines on the field which did not allow safe access. The soil level has since reduced and will be sown with grass. The field will be opened when safe. This work will ensure that the playing field will be much better over the winter and for years to come.

Solar Fund Application - The Worton and Marston Village Hall has applied for funds to the Community Solar Fund which is held by the Parish Council. Please take a look at the application below or on the Worton website, and let the Council know what you think. The Parish Council will consider the application at their September meeting.

SOLAR FARM FUNDING GRANT APPLICATION

The following applications have been received by Worton Parish Council for grant funding from the Solar farm monies:

Worton and Marston Village Hall Trustees - £1,500 towards the cost of refurbishing the village hall toilets. The overall cost of the work is estimated to be around £15,000 - £18,000 (all tenders not yet received) and will include reconnecting the heating system to the toilets and inner foyer; replacing the existing toilets with two new toilets that will be suitable for wheelchairs and have baby changing facilities; architect's and project manager's fees. Trustees would add this money to funds already raised through events that have taken place this year and to some from their reserves to provide the match funding required for further grant applications to be made to other organisations. The application is well supported by individual villagers and groups that use the Hall.

Monster Trail Organisers - £150 towards the Public Liability Insurance for the Monster Trail event in October. A one-day event open to the public featuring a self-guided 'trail' walk round the village to find the 'monster' scarecrows sited in residents' gardens. This event helps to bring the community together, enjoying and exploring the village on foot and contributes funds to organisations within the village.

Full details of these applications can be found on the Parish Council Community Fund page on the Worton website www.worton.org.uk or from Liz Read, Worton Parish Clerk, clerk@worton.org.uk and 01380 813 294

Neighbourhood Plan - The Neighbourhood Area designation has now been approved by Wiltshire Council which means that the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group can officially get started on creating a Neighbourhood Plan for Worton. If you would like to get involved with the plan, please contact the clerk.

Vacancy for a Councillor - There is a vacancy for a Parish Councillor which can now be filled by co-option. If you are interested in getting more involved with the life of the village, and can attend a meeting on the first Monday of the month (except August), then please contact the Clerk.

Next Meeting—Next Meeting of the Parish Council is on the 5th September at 7.30 in the Village Hall. All are welcome to attend.

Liz Read www.worton.org.uk

clerk@worton.org.uk

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Monday	Closed	6pm -11pm
Tuesday	Closed	6pm -11pm
Wednesday	Closed	6pm -11pm
Thursday	Closed	6pm -11pm
Friday Coffee Morning	10.30 - 2.30	6pm -11.30pm
Saturday	12.00 - 2.30	6pm -11.30pm
Sunday	12.00 - 2.30	7pm -11.00pm

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We have a pool table, darts and skittles.

We have a quiz on the last Sunday of every month.

We are hoping to get teams for pool and darts in the winter. Anyone interested, please contact:

Jackie and John in the Rose and Crown.

Worton and Neighbourhood Plans

In 2011, the Coalition government introduced the Localism Act, which was designed to encourage towns and villages to have more involvement and control over developments, infrastructure changes, the environment and the sustainability of their communities. They can develop their own Neighbourhood Plan, which, when signed off by their County Council, and agreed to by the majority of residents in a referendum, has legal standing and status. Hence, if a developer puts forward proposals incompatible with the Neighbourhood Plan, it will be rejected.

In Wiltshire, the County Council set about developing its own Core Strategy designed to meet future housing and other needs as defined by the Government. In the Devizes area, it identified six villages (including Worton) as Large Villages, and determined that these villages, along with Market Lavington, would provide 210 new houses to the Wiltshire plan by 2026. A number of potential sites, including the field to the side of Sandleaze and behind Sandleaze Court, were also identified.

Most of the other Large Villages, such as Potterne, Urchfont and West Lavington, decided to therefore to establish their own Neighbourhood Plans at this point. In Worton, the Parish Council objected unsuccessfully to the village being categorised as a Large Village, but decided to delay any decision on a Neighbourhood Plan because of the work and cost involved. However, in 2015, it did carry out a market research survey amongst residents, which an important element of any Neighbourhood Plan. This achieved a response rate of over 50%, and showed that residents would accept some limited development of the right type (affordable homes, properties suitable for downsizing) but would strongly oppose any larger-scale development.

When it became clear that all the other Large Villages were developing Neighbourhood Plans, and that there was evidence of their legal status holding up in appeals, the Parish Council reconsidered their position and agreed last November to proceed with a Neighbourhood Plan for Worton. With the assistance of a number of interested residents, they applied to Wiltshire County Council to develop a Neighbourhood Plan for Worton in January 2016, and this has now been formally authorised. The area covered is just the parish of Worton, which extends from Norney Bridge in the west to Five Lanes Farm in the east.

Following meetings organised by the Parish Council, a Steering Group to run the project has been established and has started work. The next two pages show a spreadsheet which the Steering Group have developed, which shows what we are trying to do and the key stages involved. It is expected that the work will take between a year and 18 months. The fourth page details who is involved in the Steering Group and how other residents can participate. As any Plan will have to be signed off by the majority of residents, it is critical that all views are taken into account and the Steering Group is representative of the village as a whole.

The plan must

- Have appropriate regard to the National Planning Policy Framework
- Conform in general to the Wiltshire Core Strategy
- Contribute to sustainable development

The plan might

- Include a Housing Needs Assessment
- Address broader issues such as employment, transport and facilities

The planning process will

- Conduct a stakeholder analysis
- Develop and record evidence base throughout the phases

Stakeholders

- Wiltshire Council
- Worton Parish Council
- Residents
- Employers
- National Farmers Union
- Developers

Worton
Neighbourhood

Agree Terms

Designation of Neighbourhood

Identify Issues

Develop Policies

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The Planning Framework

- National Planning Framework
Designed to meet the housing needs of the future
- Wiltshire Core Strategy:
Vision: To create stronger, more resilient communities
Priorities:
 1. Developing an economy fit for the future
 2. Reducing disadvantage and inequality
 3. Tackling climate change
- Devizes Area Strategy:
An area for strategic employment growth

Keep it Simple

- Provide a clear community-led vision
- Translate the vision into specific objectives
- Express these objectives as planning policies
- Validate this with an evidence base
- - **Have clear priorities**
- More is less. A good plan might have:
 - One Vision
 - Two Aims
 - Three Policies
- We cannot please everyone, so let's not try...

Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

The Worton Neighbourhood Plan will be run on behalf of the Parish Council by the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, who will report back monthly to the Parish Council on progress. They will operate exactly the same as the Parish Council, so that if an item or development comes up that a member has a particular interest in, they will declare that interest and withdraw from the room while the discussion takes place. In addition, we have sought to make the Steering Group representative of the village as a whole so that it is not dominated by any particular interest group. It is essential that the views of the whole village are understood and taken into account.

The Steering Group has three Parish Council representatives but is not run by the Parish Council. The three representatives are:

Suzanne Bonfield (High St)

Mark Fisher (Gaisford Chase)

David Johnson (Gaisford Chase)

There are then two members who have been elected Chair and Vice-Chair. They are:

Dicky Parsons (Sandleaze Court) - Chair

Malcolm Powell (Cedar Close) - Vice-Chair

The other six members represent all parts of the village: they are:

Lucie Baxter (Mill Road)

Bob Gwilliam (High St)

Sandra Newman (Cedar Close)

Chris Nixon (Mill Road)

Richard Slack (Woodborough House)

Nick Stokes (Sandleaze Court)

The secretary is Ann Patten-Hall of Raybridge View in the High St.

The group meet monthly on the second Sunday at the Rose and Crown at 7pm, with the next meeting being on Sept 11th. The meetings are held in public so, if you are interested, do come along - we would welcome 1 or 2 more members. We also will need helpers to assist in the various workstreams and in helping with communications and admin; we have about 20 possibles so far but will always need more. Just contact Ann or one of the Steering Group members if you can help in any way at some point over the next year to 18 months. In the meantime, we will endeavour to keep villagers up to date with the work; look out in The Bridge for monthly updates.



**A Message from Richard Gamble
Wiltshire Councillor for The Lavingtons & Erlestoke Division**

One of the many good things about living in this area is the evidence of community spirit and good neighbourliness. We all get on with each other, don't we?

Most of us do, but I see a regular flow of issues that could be defined as un-neighbourly behaviour and they are some of the hardest matters to deal with.

Un-neighbourliness can take a number of forms. Littering is a common problem. It was staggering how much rubbish was collected from verges and hedgerows by the Clean for the Queen event. Don't drop it, take it home!

Dog poo is another perennial issue with deeply unpleasant results on pavements, footpaths, and grass areas. There are places where children cannot play and fields where farmers cannot allow their livestock to graze owing to the risk of infection from the faeces. Don't blame the dogs for the problem.

Shouting, loud music, smoke from bonfires, revving of engines – all are examples of crass behaviour that can peak in the summer, so I hope you have not been one of those to suffer this year. Overgrown hedges are another summer complaint. If vegetation from your land overhangs a public right of way or intrudes upon a neighbour's property, it's your duty to cut it back.

On the other hand, if one of your trees is a valued feature for the neighbours and the neighbourhood, please look after it. Trees take a lifetime to grow. If you own a good specimen, or if you own a forest, don't cut if you don't have to.

Inconsiderate parking that blocks driveways or prevents large vehicles from using roads and lanes is another common complaint. Just because a section of highway does not have formal restrictions does not mean it's OK to park. It's a criminal offence to obstruct a highway so think before you park. It could be a matter of life and death if an emergency vehicle is prevented from getting through.

Finally, if you are putting up a fence or building a shed, you may have a legal right but think of what it looks like from your neighbour's property. If they won't like it, try to find something more acceptable.

The message is "Do as you would be done by". It's an ancient principle. It's the Golden Rule.

You may contact me about this or any other matter by email to richard.gamble@wiltshire.gov.uk or by phone on **07762 018209**.

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Marston Parish Council Report

Philip Salaman chaired the meeting held on July 26th 2016 which was attended by 11 parishioners.

1. Richard Gamble informed the meeting that an older peoples champion has been appointed. If you require their services you need to contact Mike Challinor.
2. Verge damage on land abutting the highway is the responsibility of Wiltshire Council. Any concerns regarding verges should be reported via the mywiltshire app with accompanying photographs.
3. William Warden will be MPC contact with the newly appointed Parish Steward and concerns can be reported to him.
4. By the time you read this report we have been assured the new Broadband cabinet will be live. Watch this space!
5. An application form has been drawn up for groups who wish to apply for support from the community fund. MPC has pledged to support both Five Lanes School and Holy Trinity School with recent projects.
6. MPC felt unable to support a recent planning application for additional development at Croft Farm on the grounds of size and siting.
7. MPC is in continuing negotiations with Good Energy regarding outstanding reinstatement work to Long St. It is hoped this matter will be settled shortly.

Date of the next meeting; 27th September 2016 commencing at 7.30pm in the Marston Chapel.



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I am pleased to say that the 200 club for 2016 now has 119 members. This is not quite as many as there were when it first started but is a huge improvement on last year. This will bring a profit of £708 for the Village Hall funds (after winnings have been paid out) and the Trustees have decided that this year all of this will be put to the 'Spend a Penny' campaign to raise funds to refurbish the loos in the Hall.

The winners for August are: £50 Norah Brierley; £10 Frank Marshall

Veronica Franklin



Five Lanes Women's Institute

For August, we were back in the village hall. 'Avebury Manor Reborn' was the topic for our meeting and presentation. We learned how the Manor underwent a redecoration and redesign, transforming rooms and the garden into examples from different eras - Tudor, Queen Anne, Georgian, Victorian and 20th Century. The rooms were made to look contemporary - as they would have looked to citizens of those times. This process was shown in the TV programme, The Manor Reborn - maybe you saw it?

The Manor is definitely worth a visit. It is now owned by the National Trust.

In September, we are going to have some fun with a games night. If you are interested, come along. We will be in Worton Village Hall from 8pm on Tuesday September 13th. Hope to see you there.

Jane Loveys

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Training for most age groups starts the first weekend after the Schools return, but please contact the relevant coach below for details on location and times.

MORE PLAYERS WANTED in all age groups:

(age groups example = Under 6 on 31 August of 2016):

Reception Year + Under 6: Mark Goddard : 01380-813160

Under 7: Mark (temporary) –above.

(Coach required to manage this team)

Under 8: Sharon Black : 01380-818193

Under 9: Mark Goddard – above

Under 10: 2 teams Dave Kiddle – : 07843-678781 + Pete Crozier

Under 11: Andy Duckett (temporary) 07970-028330

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Under 13: Stewart Swan – 07756-540864

Under 14: Jake Davis - 07741-306303

Under 16: Neil Black – 01380-818193

Under 17/18: Austin Coleman – 07929-842221

Steve Dagnall

Forestry Work in Erlestoke Woods

Landmarc, on behalf of the MoD, will be removing over 800 diseased mature Norway Spruce trees from Erlestoke Woods over 4 weeks during September and October. Three lorry loads of timber will be removed each day via the B3098 and the A360 to Devizes, avoiding rush hours. The land will be replanted with mixed broadleaf trees that will enhance the ecology after a few years. If you have any questions or would like further information on the forthcoming work, please contact Landmarc Support Services National Service Centre at Westdown Camp on 0800 0223334.





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In September, Ray Broughton will return to the Gardening Club to give a presentation on Daffodils and Spring Bulbs.

A lecturer in horticulture, Ray has a wealth of knowledge and is always an interesting and informative speaker.

We look forward to seeing you all at Worton and Marston Village Hall on Monday 19th September, doors open at 7:30pm.

Tea, coffee and biscuits will be served.

Non-members are always welcome to attend our meetings.

If you are interested in joining the Gardening Club do come along to any of the meetings. You will be assured of a warm welcome!

Dot Francis
Programme Secretary

If you would like to receive a copy of this year's programme please contact:

suzanne.bonfield@gmail.com or Dot Francis dfrancis162@btinternet.com



Lavington School News – The Sarsen Multi Academy Trust

You may be aware that a group of local schools, including Lavington School, are seeking to form a Multi Academy Trust - The Sarsen Multi Academy Trust.

As part of this process we now need to find people with the appropriate skill set who would be prepared to form part of the initial structure of the proposed organisation. This would mean that if the Multi Academy Trust becomes a reality, they would be prepared to be either a trustee or a member of the multi academy trust. At this stage in the process, we are seeking practising communicants of a Christian church to fill vacant positions as trustees. This is to ensure the Christian ethos of the participating church schools is preserved.

Members are the owners of the company limited by guarantee and trustees are the group who will set the strategic direction for the Multi Academy Trust. Amongst the skill sets required are people with backgrounds in education, communications, human resources, finance, and legal expertise.

If you would like to be considered as a trustee please contact Tracy Wilkinson at t.wilkinson@lavington.wilts.sch.uk for further information on how to apply.

If you require further information on the academy process please search for 'Governance handbook' on

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"I chose one. It took seven years of study and frustration before I made my first professional appearance. It took another seven to reach the Metropolitan Opera. And now I think whether it's laying bricks, writing a book--whatever we choose--we should give ourselves to it. Commitment, that's the key. Choose one chair."
(‘Guideposts’) (sent in by mk)

VILLAGE DIARY

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In the Village Hall

- **Gardening Club**
3rd Monday 8.00pm (not Aug /Dec)
- **Ladies Group**
Last Wednesday (not Aug/Dec)
- **Women's Institute**
2nd Tuesday 7.45pm
- **Worton Toddler Group**
Wednesday 10.00 am—Noon
- **1st Worton & Marston Brownies**
Every Tuesday
- **Potterne Rainbows** (term time)
Tuesday 4.45-5.45pm
- **Worton Parish Council Meeting**
1st Monday (not Aug) or as shown on notice boards

In the Chapel at Marston

- **Marston Parish Council Meeting**
Last Tuesday (every odd month)

Various Venues

Announced Monthly

- **Book Swap**
2nd Saturday 10.00 - Noon

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Next Dates

- Monday September 19th

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Forthcoming Events

- 3rd Flower Show
- 9th Quizzine
- 10th Book Swap
- 13th W.I.
- 19th Gardening Club
- 28th Ladies Group

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