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Cover: A team from St Mary & St Michael's organised a fun and hugely successful refreshments stall for people supporting the runners in the Cambridge Half-Marathon on Sunday 3 March, and raising £357 in the process for the Mothers' Union 'Make a mother's day' appeal.

From the Vicar . . . introducing our ordinand

We usually have an ordinand on attachment with us in Trumpington. For those not familiar with the term, an ordinand is someone who is currently being trained to be a member of the clergy and I have asked Sam to write about his experiences here.
Mandy

Hi all, I'm Sam Tudor and I am currently in my first of two years as an ordinand at Westcott House. Since September I have had the pleasure of being on attachment with St Mary and St Michael's, Trumpington. Thank you to everyone who has made me feel so welcome, it has been a really good experience for me to join in with the congregation on Sunday mornings and see what goes on in the community during the week. The church offers such a variety of worship, and it is really inspiring to see the emphasis placed on ensuring that families are welcomed and that children can see it as their church service as well. And of course, it is only right that the Book of Common Prayer welcomes the day at 8.30am each Sunday, in continuity with the past 400 years in which it has been said in that building.

A highlight for me has been going to Memory Café, which is such a joyful event with wonderful helpers and organisers. The chance to get to know people of all ages and have some fun for a morning is priceless.

Thank you again for the welcome and continued support during my attachment, it is really appreciated, and I look forward to getting involved for the rest of the year.

Our Mothers' Union

Spring has sprung, it is lovely to see the beautiful spring flowers and feel the warmth of the spring sunshine on our backs.

Our next meeting is on 18 April at 2.30pm at 75 Bishops Road, a week earlier than usual. We will discuss our most memorable birthday or outing – should be fun.

On 23 May Jo Wibberley will be coming to speak to us about the work of Whitworth House. At Christmas we gave Primark vouchers for the young women living there, so it will be interesting to hear more about the work that is done there. We meet at 2.30pm at 75 Bishops Road.

We have a full programme planned for the rest of the year and hope we can hold a few of our meetings in the garden.

If you would like to find out about joining the Mothers' Union please contact me on 01223 510256 or email mothersunion@trumpington.church

Stella Chandler



Mothers' UNION
Christian care for families

From the Parish Registers

Wedding 28/02/2024 Matthew Benjamin James and Ruth Suzette Samson Palad



The MumCo (our new name for MoPS) gets together every week in term time, in the Community Rooms at Trumpington Meadows Primary School at 10am. Every other week we have our mum-time, for you to get to know other local mums, try new things, learn a little and have a whole lot of fun. And on the other week, if you've a little one, there's Stay & Play.

Following our recent creative LUSH session, 15 of us local mums made dinner from scratch – so there was no standing by the stove at suppertime as we had already chopped, grated, stirred, sautéed, weighed, kneaded and chatted together earlier in the day, and enjoyed the camaraderie of doing a normal mum activity together. We made vegetable curry and naan bread – and it seems to have been a popular one to do again at home! Waitrose donated some of our needed ingredients.

MumCo. with creche 16 & 30 April, 14 May, 11 & 25 June, 9 July

Stay & Play 23 April, 7 & 21 May, 4 & 18 June, 2 & 16 July

And whichever week, there's always a warm welcome & refreshments. Mums - we look forward to catching up!

For more details follow us on Facebook or get in touch at trumpingtonmops@gmail.com



Services at St Mary & St Michael in April & May

Our 10am Sunday services are in-person and Zoomed; other services are in-person only. You can find the Zoom link here: <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/2697/>

Sunday 7 April

- 8.30 BCP Holy Communion
- 10am All Age Communion with Baptism

Sunday 14 April

- 8.30am BCP Holy Communion
- 10am Holy Communion & Junior Church

Sunday 21 April

- 8.30am BCP Holy Communion
- 10am Experience and Explore
- 6.30pm BCP Evening Prayer

Sunday 28 April

- 8.30am BCP Holy Communion
- 10am Holy Communion & Junior Church

Sunday 5 May

- 8.30am BCP Holy Communion
- 10am All Age Communion

Thursday 9 May – Ascension Day

- 7.30pm Holy Communion

Sunday 12 May

- 8.30am BCP Holy Communion
- 10am Holy Communion & Junior Church

Sunday 19 May

- 8.30am BCP Holy Communion
- 10am Experience and Explore
- 6.30pm BCP Evening Prayer

Sunday 26 May

- 8.30am BCP Holy Communion
- 10am Holy Communion & Junior Church

A guide to our services

8.30am BCP Holy Communion is from the Book of Common Prayer – a quiet, traditional communion service.

10am Holy Communion is a service using liturgy from Common Worship with hymns and music, and with Junior Church on 2nd and 4th Sundays.

10am All Age Communion is a more contemporary communion service specifically for 'all ages'. There is no Junior Church on this Sunday as the children stay for the service.

10am Third Sunday Experience and Explore is an informal service without communion; it includes a talk, a time for personal reflection, activities for all ages and refreshments.

6.30pm BCP Evening Prayer takes place on third Sundays.

Grave Goods

We apologise for any upset caused by the removal of ornaments that contravene Church of England Churchyard Rules on what may or may not be placed on a grave space.

We are due a Diocesan inspection and in preparation for this, and the new mowing season, we have cleared the ornaments and seeded the plots.

Ornaments have been placed by the wall of the Churchyard extension. We would be grateful if they can be taken away by 15 April. Any remaining after this date will be disposed of.

Thank you for your understanding.

Trumpington PCC
11 March 2024

Trumpington Memory Café

Every third Wednesday of the month, 10am-12 noon

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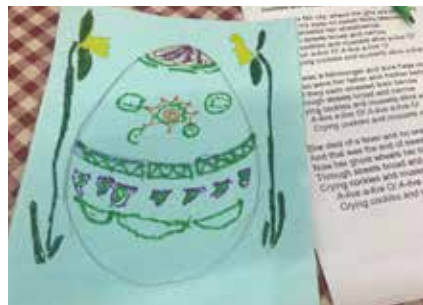
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We had a lovely time listening to Flukes – the ukulele group – in February. They played and sang well known songs from the 1930s to the 1970s. The music was supplemented by a poem by Pam Ayres about ‘teeth’ and couples were invited to share how they first met. Some interesting stories were exchanged! Easter cards were made as the craft activity.

In January we had fun acting the pantomime ‘Cinderella’. Despite Cinders’ haircut (note the wig), Prince Charming (in the red frock coat) did indeed take a shine to her, and they lived happily ever after. Afterwards we tested our knowledge with a pantomime-themed quiz.

Janet Hookham (01223 840268)



Community News and Events

Clay Farm Community Garden

Flowers and trees are bursting into bloom at last. We welcome volunteers to help with a variety of gardening jobs. Even a small amount of your time can make a big difference. Find out more at our regular meet-ups on Thursday mornings.

Many of you will have noticed work happening behind the building in the garden. This is to build the long-awaited communal picnic table. We hope this will be available by the summer. Watch this space to hear about another exciting development!



The weekly food trucks began their regular visits at the beginning of March. Everyone is welcome. Buy from the food truck or bring your own and picnic in the garden when the weather is fine, or order and take away. Ordering in advance to get your favourites is recommended, <https://bit.ly/Order-Links> but walk-ups are possible too.

Here is the choice for April and May:

4 April Pizza Mondo, 11 April Kerief, 18 April Kura Kura (new), 25 April Azahar
2 May Pimp My Fish, 9 May Guerrilla Kitchen, 16 May Wandering Yak, 23 May Jamra,
30 May Buffalo Joe's.

In June Oblique Arts will visit and in July the Collaboration Choir will entertain again.

Trumpington Parochial Charity – small grants available

The charity comprises seven historic charities, which were combined into a single charity in 1997. The charity is managed currently by eight volunteer trustees who all live in, or local to, Trumpington. The trustees aim to distribute all of the available income from the charity's investments, twice a year, in May and November.

The next meeting is coming up soon – if you wish to apply for a small grant for your group or event please download the application form from the website and submit your application by 1 May 2024: trumpington-parochial-charity.org

Cambridge Flower Club (NAFAS affiliated) – 2024 our 70th Anniversary

We welcome visitors to our meetings at the Memorial Hall, Mill Lane, Whittlesford CB22 4NE on the third Thursday evenings.

Refreshments from 6.45pm Demonstration at 7.15pm. Membership £40 pa. Visitors £9 per meeting.

18 April Jane Knights & Amanda Waples Demonstration: 'Take Two'

16 May Barbara Collins: Demonstration: 'Spring into Summer'

Further information from Freda Orgee 01223 891464 or fredaorgee@gmail.com



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 • **29 April**
Crochet for beginners
 Learn the basics

 • **13 May**
Crochet a cactus
 Must have basic crochet skills

• **Booking essential for all workshops**
 Contact Jackie Covill: jackie.stitches@gmail.com
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www.trumpingtonstitches.net



Coming this July
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 refreshments provided, parking available

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If you would like to play and want more information,
 please contact Fiona - 01223 927069

Email - Trumpclub47@cambridgebridgeclub.org
<https://www.facebook.com/Trumpingtonbridge>



VIPS

(VERY IMPORTANT PENSIONERS)

- The VIPs are a group run by the pavilion staff, who work with the members of the group to plan their sessions.
- Activities range from art, games, general advice, and independent living, to bingo, days out, quizzes and much more.
- We meet every 2nd Wednesday of the month, except August, from 10.30am to 12 noon.
- Everyone welcome: come and meet some new friends, join in with talks and enjoy a cup of tea or coffee and cake.



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**New contact details
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Emma, our parish administrator, is now collating copy and photos and also dealing with advertising requests.

Copy date for the June & July issue is **Tuesday 30 April.**

Please be in touch by email to: **admin@trumpington.church**

first steps

Baby and Toddler group
10am – 11am
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Alpha Terrace Church Centre
Trumpington, Cambridge CB2 9HT

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Trumpington Rainbows and Brownies

... had great fun at the end of February celebrating World Thinking Day, which started in 1926. They were part of a group of about 100 Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and leaders from our local District who met at Stapleford School. They participated in activities with the theme 'Our World, Our Thriving Future'. A reading during the ceremony at the end of the event reminded us that there are 10 million people involved in Girlguiding worldwide!

Another recent highlight for Trumpington Brownies was thinking about the good turns they'd done. They wrote each good turn on a strip of paper and then turned the strips into an impressively long paper chain. They were surprised and pleased to find that they'd done so many good turns.



To find out more about Girlguiding locally – for girls who'd like to join or for adult volunteering – please get in touch.
Lisa MacGregor, shelforddistrict@gmail.com

Trumpington Food Hub

The Trumpington Residents' Association has been running Trumpington Food Hub since 2020. From April 2024, we will be handing over responsibility to Cambridge City Foodbank (CCFb) and the Food Hub will continue to be open at Trumpington Pavilion on Fridays from 12 noon to 1.30pm. The TRA is very grateful to all our volunteers and supporters who have helped in the last four years and to CCFb for its new initiative. If you are aware of anyone who is in need of help, please let them know about the continued availability of this local support. Trumpington Food Hub is free and no referral is needed. Please contact info@ccfb.org.uk for more details.

Trumpington Meadows work with Police to solve burglaries

A number of properties in Trumpington Meadows were hit by a spate of what police called 'opportunistic' burglaries at the beginning of February. It transpires that some residents had not fully secured their properties or garages/outhouses, which led to an opportunity to commit crimes.

As a result, the local Keep TMSafe WhatsApp group (linked with TMDAG) swung into action and a call was put out to residents asking for more information and possible footage to assist the police.

The Keep TMSafe group was set up five years ago as a direct result of the initial traveller incursion onto the meadows and has now grown to almost 200 members. With their own community police liaison member, the residents are in a strong position to help all aspects of security on the development. Over 10 videos from a range of properties on the development were checked by residents and passed onto the police. As a direct result the police were able to make arrests within two weeks.

Updating the local community, Police constable Kerlake said 'Last night officers arrested a suspect and found stolen property on him linked to seven of the burglaries. We will be dealing with him in custody throughout today. I cannot comment any further but I wanted to update you and the community. The suspect was charged and remanded for 8 dwelling burglaries, 2 attempted burglaries along with a shoplifting and theft of a pedal cycle. The suspect will now face trial for all of the above offences but as of writing I do not yet know when this will be. Obviously there is another suspect outstanding that we have not been able to identify...

Regardless of this, charges for ten burglaries is a fantastic result and I would like to extend my thanks to everyone that supplied CCTV footage during the course of the investigation as it has been crucial in piecing together the movements of the suspect.'

The solving of the Trumpington Meadows burglaries contrasts sharply with a recent report in the Telegraph with the headline 'Police solve no burglaries in half of the country'. A Trumpington Meadows spokesman said 'This just goes to show how a community working together can make a big difference and we would encourage other areas in Trumpington to follow our lead'; another commented 'We must be the community with the most doorbell cameras per square metre in Cambridge'.



Trumpington Meadows Delivery & Action Group (TMDAG)

Residents in Trumpington Meadows were treated to a feast of entertainment recognising the Chinese Year of the Dragon as the development celebrated in style on Saturday 17 February. Hundreds of local residents were entertained for two hours by over 90 Chinese performers of all ages on a stage in the local centre, located outside the primary school and by the newly opened La Reina Cafe.



The event was sponsored by the South Trumpington Parish Meeting and TMDAG with local Chinese residents volunteering and performances presented by the Cambridge Chinese Community in association with Dreams and Wishes Events. The crowd was especially enthralled by a performance from the children's dance class with stars aged from just three years old. A further 15 performances included the Happy Exercise Dance group, DAI Peacock Dance, Tibetan Dance, The Little Princesses of Qing Dynasty, Yang Guan Sa Di Ensemble and many, many more.



Inside the school, residents could sample traditional Chinese costumes and crafts and take part in calligraphy (the art of handwriting) workshops, as well as enjoy the feast of Chinese food on sale. Outside, a range of local food vans that regularly attend the local centre were offering more traditional fare.

The Dreams and Wishes dragon stilt walker roamed around the visitors along with the annual Lion Dance getting a wide range of surprised reactions from young and old alike.

Until recently, the Cambridge Chinese Community rehearsed in the school community premises on a Sunday so were able to use this special event as a way of re-connecting with the local community.



TRUMPINGTON STITCHERS

Our workshops are filling up: see the flyer on page 9 and sign up soon! We will be at the Clay Farm Centre Easter event on 11 April making Easter Bunnies with children, from a knitted square. Do pop along between 10.30 and 12 noon.

As ever, we look forward to seeing stitchers of all levels of experience and interest at our general Monday meetings at the Pavilion 7-9pm and our Tuesday Stitching for Charity group at Clay Farm Centre, 10.30-12.



Lots more information, photos and our contact details are on our website: www.trumpingtonstitchers.net

Trumpington Pavilion update

As mentioned in the last issue, the Trumpington Residents' Association took over responsibility for managing Trumpington Pavilion when it was rebuilt by the City Council in 2009. This was nearly 10 years before the Clay Farm Centre opened.

We have now decided to hand the facilities back to the City Council and from April 2024 the Pavilion is being managed as a branch of the Clay Farm Centre.

There will be a smooth hand-over of responsibilities and we look forward to the Pavilion continuing to provide a valued local facility.

The new email is: trumpingtonpavilion@cambridge.gov.uk

South Trumpington Parish Meeting (STPM)

The next meeting of STPM is on 16 April at 7pm at Trumpington Meadows Primary School. All are welcome. STPM meets four times a year (January, April, July and October).

South Trumpington Parish was established in 2017 and includes all the homes in Trumpington Meadows which are approximately south of Huntsman Road. More details can be found at www.southtrumpington.co.uk/.

All householders pay a precept to the Parish as part of their council tax. The money collected can be used for community-based projects. Registered electors living in the Parish can all have a say in how this money is spent by attending the meeting.

Grants have previously been awarded to the Trumpington Kids Clothes Hub, Trumpington Food Hub, 1st Trumpington Scout Group and TMDAG's community events. We are looking for other good causes to support so if you have a good idea, please let us know. The grant policy and grant application form can be found on the website.

Everyone aged 18 and over living in South Trumpington Parish is encouraged to come along to the meeting. If you have ideas for something that will benefit the wider community, please let us know and we will see if we can help.

*For more details: clerk@southtrumpington.co.uk or chair@southtrumpington.co.uk
Deb Thomas, Chair of South Trumpington Parish Meeting*

Clay Farm Community Centre

Springtime is always busy at Clay Farm and as well of our usual weekly activities and classes, we will be putting on special events during the school holidays for children.



Clay Farm is open six days a week Monday to Saturday and we have a whole host of different classes happening each day, see also pages 18-19.

There are exercise classes including yoga, pilates, and taekwondo; plus a stitching group, dance classes, a choir, parent and baby classes, flower arranging and more!

Our café is run by the Royal Voluntary Service and is open six days a week. On Thursdays after school there is the free Lego Stay & Play and on Saturday mornings there are Lego, crafts or board games available in the café area.

The library at Clay Farm has an extensive children's section as well as adult fiction and non-fiction, a selection of spoken word and large print books, and some books in foreign languages.

If you haven't already visited us, please do, and come and find out for yourself all that is on offer at the Clay Farm Community Centre.



Feature sponsored by The Clay Farm Centre

Plan of Trumpington Parish

This map has been created especially for *The Trumpet* and is updated regularly, but please contact the Editor if you can help improve it as new roads become occupied.

Email: trumpet@trumpington.church

As the map becomes more complicated you may like to consult the regularly updated www.openstreetmap.org

- 1 Sole & Duck Restaurant
- 2 The Green Man
- 3 The Duchess of Cambridge
- 4 The Lord Byron
- 5 Farthings Trumpington Dry Cleaners, Rumbles Fish Bar, Rulo's Barber, Radhika Florist, The Bun Shop (post office/convenience store)
- 6 Shell Petrol Station, Bidwells Estate Agent, Autograph Dental
- 7 Waitrose
- 8 Trumpington Food & Wine
- 9 Trumpington Village Hall
- 10 Wildlife Trust Office
- 11 Trumpington Pavilion
- 12 St Mary & St Michael Parish Church & Bakehouse (church office)
- 13 Anstey Hall
- 14 Rainbow Nursery
- 15 Trumpington Meadows Primary School
- 16 Fawcett Primary School
- 17 Trumpington Community College
- 18 Fawcett House (Cambridgeshire County Council)
- 19 Hobson Square area including Clay Farm Centre with RVS cafe, GP Surgery & Library, Weifare Pharmacy, NISA Local, Sainsbury's Local, Dentistry & More, Dao Cafe
- 20 Clay Farm Allotments
- 21 Clay Farm Community Garden
- 22 Foster Road Allotments
- 23 Trumpington Community Orchard
- 24 Trumpington Park Primary School
- 25 Perse Prep School
- 26 St Faith's School
- 27 Cambridge Football Stadium & Kingsway Cambridge (formerly Cambridge Lakes) Golf course
- 28 Trumpington Park & Ride
- 29 John Lewis Distribution Centre
- 30 Nuffield Hospital
- 31 Trumpington Meadows Allotments
- 32 Christ Church Trumpington Church Centre
- 33 Cambridgeshire Care Home
- 34 Trumpington Bowls Club
- 35 Sainsbury's Local, Frankie's Hair Salon
- 36 Glebe Farm Allotments
- 37 Skate Park
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What's on at the Clay Farm Centre

These activities and classes happen regularly at Clay Farm, most of them are weekly and during term time.

Mondays

Iyengar Yoga

9.30am-11am, 1pm-2.15pm, 6pm-7.15pm

Early Connections – Sling Meet

10am-11.30am

(1st & 3rd Monday of the month)

Toddler Rhymetime

10am-10.30am

Baby Rhymetime 11am-11.30am

KPA School 4pm-4.45pm

Cambridge Taekwondo 5.40pm-9pm

Tuesdays

Tiny Talk – Toddler & Baby Signing

9.45am-10.45am and 11am-12pm

Trumpington Stitches –

Stitching for Charity 10.30am-12pm

Joyful Babies –

Postnatal Mum & Baby Yoga

11am-12.30pm

KPA School 4.15pm-6.15pm

Iyengar Yoga 6.30pm-7.45pm

HIIT Training 7pm-8pm

Wednesdays

HonC! Stay & Play Group

10am-11.30am

Pilates with Anqi

10am-10.50am

Computers Coffee & Cake

Seniors Club 10am-12pm

KPA School 4pm-7pm

The Code Zone

4pm-7.30pm

Cambridge Taekwondo

5.30pm-7.15pm

Vedanta Wellness Yoga

7.30pm-8.45pm

The Collaboration Choir

8pm-9.30pm

Thursdays

Iyengar Yoga 9.30am-11am

Yoga and Baby Massage

10am-11am

Baby Sensory 10am-2pm

Ikebana Club

2pm-3:30pm (fortnightly)

Lego Stay & Play 4pm-6pm

KPA School 4pm-6pm

Target Dance

4.30pm-8.30pm

Pilates with Anqi

7pm-7.50pm

Fridays

KPA School 9.45am-10.45am

Saturdays

KPA School 9.15am-1.15pm

Saturday Specials:

Lego, board games or crafts

10am-12pm

Library opening hours

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Tuesdays

9.30am-5pm

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9.30am-3pm

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Thursdays

9.30am-7pm

Fridays

9.30am-1pm

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9.30am-1pm

Sundays

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Almost half way between the very successful 2023 Poppy Appeal and the upcoming 2024 Poppy Appeal reminds me that just a year ago I visited a war grave of an RAF pilot in the Netherlands. It is a sobering thought that 4,000 RAF planes crashed in the Netherlands alone in World War II. Recalling the visit reminded me that we currently live in very troubled times with more British service personnel again on active duty around the world than hitherto. Any warfare is brutal and we hope that current problem areas, which have aroused great passions, are soon resolved. If you get the chance to visit a Commonwealth cemetery whilst on holiday this summer, please do. You will find it a quiet well-kept oasis (www.cwgc.org) – please check the website to see if there is a CWG Commission cemetery near where you are staying. If you take the opportunity to stand silently in front of a grave, you will realise how many young lives were lost to enable us to live the free lives which we do now. Irrespective of the rank (from Private to Field Marshall) the headstone and wording are identical except for differences of creed which are shown by the symbol on the top of the stone. You will be very moved.

As we approach summer, I will be starting to prepare the volunteer rota for the 2024 Poppy Appeal (Saturday 26 October to Sunday 10 November). Anyone who wishes to help is most welcome, just let me know. Even if you can only cover a single 1½ hr shift the offer will be gratefully received: you get to talk with and meet some very nice people. I hope we can again collect a record sum for the Appeal to assist those who still need support after they leave the armed forces.

Edmund Brookes, RBL, 01223 840374

Trumpington Repair Café

We held another successful Repair Café in January, when we repaired a lot of the articles brought to us, all in a most happy atmosphere. Hair straighteners, an oil heater, telephone, vacuum cleaner, toaster, radio, trousers missing buttons, a clock with a hand that did not go round, a wooden elephant and many more things were mended.



Even when something couldn't be repaired, it was obvious they were pleased to know that they had tried. Homemade cake may have helped to blunt any disappointment when a lava lamp and phone bank charger defeated our repairers!

So the initial grant of £430 from the City Council Sustainable City budget was most successfully invested. We have now held the four events agreed, saved a good quantity of items from going into landfill and saved a lot of households from the expense of buying new.

We are delighted to report that we now have enough volunteers and funds from donations to plan more events for Trumpington, the next being on Sunday 23 June, 2 to 5pm at Trumpington Meadows Primary School. Book via the QR code link.

If you are looking for local repairers before then, you can use our Group as a contact for the wider network: trumpingtonrepaircafe@gmail.com



April & May 2024

Trumpington Kids Clothes Hub

It has been a busy couple of months at the Hub. Our thanks to everyone who takes the trouble to pass their pre-loved clothes on to us, for sorting and re-homing and, of course, to our volunteers who give up their spare time to help out.

The clothes rails at Fawcett, Trumpington Meadows and Trumpington Park primary schools continue to be popular and we appreciate the support from all three schools. Do have a look on the rails to see if there is anything that you can use and then just help yourself!



As I write this, spring is just around the corner and we are starting to think about putting away our winter stock and replacing it with clothes that are suitable for the change of season – always a pleasant task, making us think of blue skies and warm sunshine.

Pick-your-own pop-up stalls are planned for 20 April and 18 May, both at Trumpington Meadows School. We would love to see you there, especially the April one, as we have a few extra things planned to celebrate our 3rd birthday. There will definitely be cake. As usual, we will post any updates on our social pages, so keep a look out!

Once again, our grateful thanks to all our volunteers and supporters, who make it possible for us to keep making a difference.

Remember, if you can't make it to a pop-up, we will gladly pack a box of clothes for you to collect. Just fill in a form online at www.trumpingtonkidsclotheshub.co.uk

The Wildlife Trust BCN at Trumpington Meadows nature reserve

Spring events for families

Our Wildlife Watch sessions are run by Wildlife Trust staff and volunteers and are aimed at 5 to 11 year olds, but younger and older children are more than welcome and will still find things to enjoy. Grown-ups must accompany their children and we encourage you to get involved with the fun! You don't need to be a member to come to our events, but members do get discounted tickets.

Easter Fun - Saturday 13 April, 2 to 4pm

An Easter egg trail with a difference – explore the reserve to search for items to use in dyeing your own egg with natural dyes, before enjoying some hot chocolate around a fire.

Pond Dipping - Saturday 18 May, 2 to 4pm

Discover what lives in our pond by using nets to catch them – we often see a range of insects from dragonfly larvae to water boatmen, and occasionally small fish and newts.

Booking essential – https://www.wildlifebcn.org/events?location_term=1868 or email – TrumpingtonMeadows@wildlifebcn.org or visit [Facebook.com/groups/trumpingtonmeadowsNR](https://www.facebook.com/groups/trumpingtonmeadowsNR)



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Trumpington Local History Group

In February we completed our programme of winter talks. Reports of the two previous talks, 'Post-War Trumpington, 1945-1980' and 'Benefitting the Soul' are now on our website via trumpingtonlocalhistorygroup.org/meetings.

Details of some history-based walks and events around Trumpington in the summer will appear in the next issue of *The Trumpet*.

We have four remaining copies of our book 'Trumpington Past and Present' (published 2003) available at £10 each. Let me know if you would like one.

If you would like to be on our email mailing list, or get involved in researching our local history, then please get in touch:

Howard Slatter, Chairman, tlhglst@gmail.com

1st Trumpington Scout Group

We have one Beaver Colony, two Cub Packs and one Scout Troop and provide Scouting to over 100 young people every week during term time. We hope to open a second Scout Troop later this year. We have quite a long waiting list – please email to add your child.

We have a full programme of activities planned for the summer including a St George's Day hike on 21 April with other Groups in the Cambridge District. All sections will also go on camp in the summer and we hope that the Cubs and Scouts will also go canoeing.

None of this would be possible without our amazing adult volunteers. If you were inspired by the Big Help Out and would like to join us, please be in touch. Previous Scouting experience is not needed, nor is having a child in the Group, although volunteering will give priority to those on the waiting list. Volunteers aged 18 or over are subject to a DBS check. We also have Young Leader volunteering opportunities for those doing Duke of Edinburgh Awards.

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Trumpington Residents Association



Having handed Trumpington Pavilion back to the City Council, the Association is looking to reinvent itself.

For many years, the TRA organised a summer coach trip to Hunstanton. Would you like to see that revived or help to organise other community events? If so, we want to work with you. Perhaps you are more concerned about challenges to our environment? We need people to engage with East West Rail, with the Biomedical Campus's expansion plans, or with the proposed Development Corporation for Cambridge. Above all, the TRA needs to truly reflect the aspirations of local residents. Now is the time to get involved.

Our AGM was on 27 March and our next ordinary members' meeting is on 29 May. See our website for updates about meetings, other plans for 2024 and membership information: <http://trumpingtonresidentsassociation.org/news/>

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Trumpington Federation

Earlier this year, the choirs at both Fawcett and Trumpington Meadows primary schools had the experience of a lifetime when they travelled to the O2 arena as part of the Young Voices concert. The choirs had both learned a number of songs beforehand, including 'Sky Full of Stars' and a medley from *Matilda the Musical*, and then sang alongside thousands of other children from across the country. This is an annual event so we are beginning to think ahead for next year's trip!

At the Federation, trips and visits are an important part of our curriculum for all year groups. So far this year, our children have visited the Harry Potter Studios, the Imperial War Museum at Duxford, Kettle's Yard, the Fitzwilliam Museum and the Cambridge film festival. We also have our residential trip to Suffolk coming up as well as visits to Mountfitchet Castle and a boat trip along the Cam.

If you would like to visit, or find out more about either of our schools, please get in touch on 01223 840299. We'd be delighted to show you around.

Ollie Monro, Head of School, Trumpington Meadows Primary School



Patient Participation Group (PPG) at Clay Farm & Trumpington Street Medical Practice

We are excited to be starting up a Volunteer driver scheme for Trumpington and Grantchester, to offer lifts to health and well-being appointments for people who have mobility problems. Volunteer for an hour a month or a week, to suit you, it's fun!

We are also thrilled that the Practice has at last been able to install a new phone system that will serve us all much better. And further good news - the Practice will soon have a Carers Tick Award from Caring Together. If you look after someone, do let the Practice know so they can ensure this is on your records and you get any support available.

And we will have a stand at the Clay Farm Centre Easter event on 11 April, come and see us (event details are in the flyer on page 19).

To see more about the PPG and what we do, we are on the website <https://www.trumpingtonstreetmedicalpractice.co.uk> in the Meet the Team section or email ppg.tsmp@gmail.com



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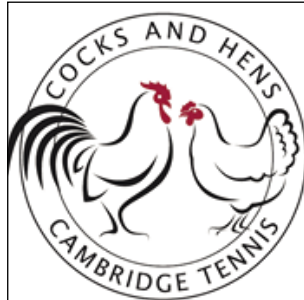


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Trumpington Community Orchard

The annual Wassail on 14 January was well attended as always with the usual festivities despite the unfortunate absence of the Lord of Misrule with pneumonia (we are glad to say he has now recovered). Local stalwart Ursula led the usual assortment of folk musicians and the now traditional Wassail dance. The Wassail started in the Community Orchard and processed to the Clay Farm Community Gardens with mulled apple juice served outside their Pavilion. It is now likely to be the continued format for future years.

We look forward to the delivery in April of the two picnic tables generously funded by Trumpington Garden Society in time for a Corporate Volunteer Day. Another picnic table, kindly donated by a local patron, will provide added seating near the swift tower and was very competently assembled by the weekly volunteers from the Leys (thank you girls). We had a visit by four classes from Trumpington Park Primary School on the same day and our budding young naturalists focussed on spotting signs of spring including the many clumps of both wild and cultivated daffodils (see pic) and the few remaining snowdrops, vincas, alkanet and the flowering currant just breaking bud.

We await the return of the swifts this spring to their shared accommodation with the squatting sparrows who had to evacuate their squat for a couple of weeks as it was again destructively attacked by the local delinquent squirrel. The metal-reinforced nesting box entrances did survive the assault, but the persistent pest managed to gnaw through the roof and into one of the nesting boxes (see pic) resulting in the tower being abandoned by the local sparrows. We have now put up some reinforced defences in an upturned compost bin lid which, together with the scat matting, does appear to have deterred the invader, and the local sparrows have returned to occupy all the nesting boxes. This reinforced swift tower (see pic) will hopefully remain impregnable for the return of the swifts, but any advice on other potential long-term solutions are welcome.

We will again be participating in Blossom Day on Bank Holiday Monday, 6 May with a variety of nature activities 2-4pm. A folk group kindly assembled by the recovered Lord of Misrule, Nigel Pennick, will provide some musical entertainment so do come and join in with your instruments.

The next Orchard Maintenance session will be from 11-1pm on Sunday 9 June. Please come dressed in weatherproof clothing and footwear and we will provide gloves and necessary tools.

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We have lots going on at Centre with special events happening in the school holidays as well as our usual Lego Club in the café on every Thursday afternoon. Please see the flyers on page 19 for details of the events on 4 and 11 April and 30 May.

For more information about the Centre and our regular events visit our social media pages and check out our special feature in this issue. On page 15 you will find a money-off voucher for any hot drink in our café and our weekly scheduled classes, groups and activities can be found on pages 18 and 19.

For more information please pop in and see us, check out our social media pages, call us on 01223 457232 or email clayfarmcentre@cambridge.gov.uk

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Don't miss Feel Good Friday at Trumpington Meadows Community Hub. All ages welcome every Friday (11.45am-1.45pm) at TM Primary School. Enjoy lunch, pre-schooler stay-and-play, wellbeing singing, storytelling, free baby clothes (0-2), crafts, and a compassionate ear for mental health matters. Need assistance? We've got you covered with referrals and support for financial aid, bpha housing issues, and Cambridge City food bank.



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