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THE TRUMPET

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by St Mary & St Michael Parish Church



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Cover: a sunny autumn day in the churchyard, Sheila Betts

From the Vicar . . . Reflections

During the summer months I try to swim regularly. I love the rhythmic movement of swimming and the feeling of weightlessness, the light striking the surface of the water. But when you look into the water, the images you see shift, distort and move around. Looking into the water at your own reflection can be entertaining as you stretch and dissemble; the more turbulent the water, the more distorted the reflection becomes. When we need to see clearly, perhaps see who and where we really are, we need to find a place of stillness and a surface which will reveal the truth to us, no distortions. As we settle into autumn, a new term, a new class or school, or simply want to enjoy the new season, it's good to seek out time to take a truthful look at ourselves.

Mandy



Our Mothers' Union

Despite the high winds and the gazebo nearly taking off, our annual Coffee Morning was a great success. Everyone enjoyed the morning and we raised £136.20 for Mothers' Union Projects. A big thank you to all who supported us.

At our meeting on 24 October, we shall have a very interesting talk by Sheila Betts, who will be telling us about receiving her BEM.

Our Christmas themed meeting is on 28 November. Never know quite what will happen at these Christmas meetings but whatever it is, I am sure we will have some fun!

All our meetings are held at 75 Bishops Road and, please note, will start at 2pm for the winter months.

*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*

Trumpington Memory Café

Every third Wednesday of the month, 10-12

A place where people with varying forms of memory loss can visit with their carers and support each other and have fun

The Pavilion, Paget Road, (opposite Anstey Way), Trumpington CB2 9JF

Call 01223 840268 to book – Please give your name(s)

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St Mary & St Michael's Christmas Tree Festival: 14 & 15 December

See the poster on the back cover with booking details for workshops and the concert.

If you would like to enter a tree, be involved, or sponsor the festival in any way please contact Emma on admin@trumpington.church

What's The Mum Community (The MumCo) in Trumpington?

It's the place where you can be yourself. You're welcome and can relax. Mums that attend regularly say it's 'the highlight of their week' and the 'group they enjoyed the most'. In the past 12 months we've made dinner from scratch, learnt how to sew, been creative with holly, with watercolours, pencils and words. The children enjoy the time (cared for by our DBS-checked volunteers) and the mums enjoy the space and time too – meeting new people, catching up with mum friends together, learning new skills, talking with others about parenting challenges, tips, and more than just the children!

If you're a mum of multiples, a newborn, toddlers, teenagers and those in between, come and join us on Tuesdays in term-time in the Community Rooms at Trumpington Meadows Primary School at 10am.

For more details see the flyer on page 6 and get in touch at themumcotrumpington@gmail.com or follow us on Facebook: mothers of preschoolers, Trumpington. Motherhood is better together, we're saving a seat for you!

MumCo – Mum gathering with creche on 8 & 22 October, 12 & 26 November, 10 December, 7 & 21 January, 4 & 25 February

Stay & Play – 1 & 15 October, 19 November, 3 December, 14 & 28 January, 18 February

Working Mums are welcome too: we meet monthly on Thursday evenings, 4th Thursday of the month, 24 October & 28 November.



From the Parish Registers

Baptisms

01/09/2024 Daniel Nicholas St John England & Samantha Kimberley St John England

Weddings

27/07/2024 James Callum Stewart & Beatrice Alexandra Jupe

31/08/2024 Edward William Muscutt & Anjuli Joya Chatterjee

Funerals

16/07/2024 Emily Katherine Orson

04/08/2024 John Newell

Funeral and Burial

16/08/2024 Shirley Brown

Burial of Ashes

01/09/2024 Emily Katherine Orson

Services at St Mary & St Michael in October & November

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 6 October – Harvest

8.30am BCP Holy Communion

10am Harvest All Age Communion

Sunday 13 October

8.30am BCP Holy Communion

10am Holy Communion with Junior Church

Sunday 20 October

8.30am BCP Holy Communion

10am Experience and Explore

6.30pm BCP Evening Prayer

Sunday 27 October

8.30am BCP Holy Communion

10am Holy Communion with Junior Church

Sunday 3 November

8.30am BCP Holy Communion

10am All Age Communion

Sunday 10 November – Remembrance

8.30am BCP Holy Communion

10am Service of Remembrance with Junior Church

10.55am Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial



Sunday 17 November

8.30am BCP Holy Communion

10am Experience and Explore

6.30pm BCP Evening Prayer

Sunday 24 November

8.30am BCP Holy Communion

10am Holy Communion with 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.

M THE MUMCO
BY MUMS OF TRUMPINGTON

Motherhood is better together -
We're saving a seat for you!

WILD HOPE

Mums - this is our **mum community** - a time to be, a chance for a hot drink while little people have fun in their fun space next door one week, and Stay+Play the other

When Do We Meet?
Every Tuesday
Term Time 10am

Where Can You Find Us?
Community Rooms
Trumpington Meadows
Primary School (CB2 9AY)

**INTERESTED?
TALK TO US HERE:**

themumcotrumpington@gmail.com

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Community News and Events

Clay Farm Community Garden – a garden for all

The Thursday food truck and picnics will continue until the end of October. You can see which food trucks will visit by going to clayfarmgarden.org or by joining Clay Farm Food on WhatsApp: chat.whatsapp.com/ITHDPtfcOIQ86F7vcwy44h

During the summer, the Garden hosted many parties for babies and young children as well as the usual Thursday evening Food Truck picnics.

Connected Lives had beautiful weather for the three summer holiday activities they held in the Garden, hosting between 25 and 40 families each session. They really appreciated the new feasting table behind the building, as do many local families and friends who come to chat or eat.

Volunteer groups have been a great help at the Garden and at Trumpington Orchard.

Keep an eye on our website clayfarmgarden.org for details of the annual pumpkin carving event at the end of October and come say hello at the Eco-Market at the Clay Farm Centre in December. We hope to host a pre-Christmas event again, and join in the annual Trumpington Orchard Wassail in January.

If you'd like to help either in the Garden or with other tasks, get in touch by email info@clayfarmgarden.org or find us listed in the Clay Farm WhatsApp Groups.

You can usually find a group of people working in the Garden on Thursday mornings.



Cambridge Flower Club - NAFAS affiliated - 2024 our 70th Anniversary

Visitors welcome at the Memorial Hall, Mill Lane, Whittlesford CB22 4NE on third Thursday evenings. Refreshments from 6.45pm, demonstration at 7.15pm. Membership £40p.a. Visitors £9 per meeting.

General Information: Freda Orgee 01223 891464; fredaorgee@gmail.com

October 17 Workshop by Alison Purnell – 'Ikebana'

November 23 NAFAS Demonstration by Lee Berrill – 'All things Christmas'

New contact details for *The Trumpet*

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

Copy date for the December & January issue is **Friday 1 November**.

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

Royal British Legion

While the Summer Holidays may be over it is far from a relaxed time for the Royal British Legion. After the D Day and Anzio commemorations, the 80th anniversary of Operation Market Garden (the airborne operation to secure Rhine Crossings in the Netherlands) has just passed.



While we now look forward to the 80th anniversaries of both VE Day and VJ Day (the latter being particularly important and poignant to Cambridgeshire) our main effort is preparing for the 2024 Poppy Appeal which starts just over three weeks after this magazine is delivered to you. Our supplies of poppies, wreaths and other poppy-themed items will be with us shortly and will then be prepared for distribution.

I have been heartened by the response for help at Waitrose with just a few of the 86 slots to fill, but readers may not be aware that we also support static collecting points in our schools, in Harston and on part of the Biomedical Campus. There is still the opportunity to help if you are able, my email is on the inside front cover and phone below.

On Remembrance Sunday – 10 November – we will gather as usual at the War Memorial (at the junction of High Street and Church Lane) at 10.55 for the 11am Act of Remembrance and I look forward to seeing as many of us as are able to gather for this solemn occasion.

Edmund Brookes, RBL, 01223 840374

Trumpington Pavilion

The Trumpington Pavilion has a varied programme of events and activities each week. There's something for everyone with yoga, tai-chi, a memory café, Balkan dance, stretch classes, parent and baby groups, Trumpington Stitches and a youth club.

A new group has started at the Pavilion this autumn called GK Fit which offers multi-skills and dodgeball sessions for children outside of traditional schooling on Thursday mornings. For more information visit their website: www.gkfit.co.uk

Once a month on a Tuesday there's the Women's Health and Wellbeing Session which is proving very popular. It's an event to encourage connection between women, to meet new people and learn things too. On Fridays Fairbite Trumpington runs from 12pm-1.30pm (more details on page 25) and food donations are always welcome.

The Pavilion is a lovely space to hire for parties or other private events. If you'd like more information, please contact TrumpingtonPavilion@cambridge.gov.uk and check out the Trumpington Pavilion Facebook page for up to date information on classes.

The Chatty Café Scheme

We are at Waitrose Trumpington, every Monday 10-11.30am

If you would like to have a chat while you enjoy your coffee or tea at Waitrose, do come and join us on the Chatty Café table. There will be a yellow sign on the table and one of us to welcome you. The Chatty Café scheme operates across the UK and is the leading charity tackling loneliness.

Find other chatty cafés here: thechattycafescheme.co.uk



TRUMPINGTON STITCHERS

We had a great summer fun day at Clay Farm Centre on 12 August where over 30 bunnies were released into Trumpington (woolly ones of course!). We will be back at Clay Farm Centre on 7 December, making crochet tree decorations from old curtain rings.

Our autumn workshops are on a separate flyer on page 10 and on the website. We are also running a workshop at the Parish Church as part of the Christmas Tree Festival, on Saturday 14 December. We will be making some lovely Scandi-style tree decorations. Here is the link to book <https://stitch-trumpington2024.eventbrite.co.uk>

If you would like to be on the mailing list to be first to know about our events and workshops (we book up quickly), contact us on the email below.

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

Lots more information, photos and contact details are on our website: www.trumpingtonstitchers.net or email us at trumpingtonstitchers@gmail.com

Trumpington Brownies

After the summer break, we're looking forward to Brownie meetings starting again. We'll be doing the Have Adventures theme from Girlguiding's programme for Brownies and having a campfire with s'mores. Activities will include a snowman game, how to look after your feet, how to make snow goggles, how to use a map grid system, and how to prioritise needs in a survival situation. And Christmas will be the focus towards the end of term!

browniestrumpington@gmail.com



Trumpington Rainbows

Trumpington Rainbows needs new leaders to be able to continue delivering the fun and adventures that it has for the past 26 years. Rainbows is for girls aged 4-7 years. Girlguiding's flexible programme for Rainbows is full of fun activities, games, singing, and crafts. Girlguiding has a great leader training programme with lots of support locally.

*To find out more, please email: shelforddistrict@gmail.com
Lisa MacGregor*



TRUMPINGTON STITCHERS

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October to December 2024 Monday evening workshops

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● 28 October

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● 11 November

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● 25 November

Christmas bunting

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● 9 December

Tree decorations

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● Booking essential for all workshops

Contact Jackie Covill: jackiec.stitchers@gmail.com

£5 charge can be reduced or waived for those on low income – please speak to Jackie

www.trumpingtonstitchers.net



Patient Participation Group – Clay Farm and Trumpington Street Medical Practice

The TAG Lifts Car Scheme has got off to a great start, with lots of people registering and requesting lifts. It is clearly a much-needed service and if any drivers have a couple of hours a month to spare, we could use your help. Details of how to get in touch are on the flyer to the right.

The PPG Committee will be having the AGM at the end of October and have places for new members. We will be refreshing our Action Plan for the year and welcome any thoughts on how we can help our

Medical Practice serve patients well. The new phone system and online triaging of daily requests (up to 200 a day), alongside the introduction of a Paramedic and Advanced Nurse Practitioner, to deal with common simple conditions, have improved capacity considerably.

We want to encourage everyone to use the Pharmacy First system that is now operating – where the pharmacist can advise and give a prescription for 5 common issues – more information here: www.england.nhs.uk/primary-care/pharmacy/pharmacy-services/pharmacy-first/

If you would like to be on our mailing list to hear about the work of the PPG Committee, we are on the website in the Meet the Team section.

<https://www.trumpingtonstreetmedicalpractice.co.uk/patient-participation-group> or contact us via our email ppg.tsmg@gmail.com

Community Car Scheme for Trumpington and Grantchester

TAG Lifts

Lifts by volunteer drivers to health and welfare appointments for people who can't use public transport and don't have access to a car



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The Clay Farm Centre

It's certainly been a busy and fun-packed summer of events here at the Clay Farm Centre. Audiences were wowed by a spectacular science show, enjoyed holiday lunches (provided by Cambridge Sustainable Food), craft days, visits from the University of Cambridge Museums and got to sing along to a showing of Encanto in the Eva Hartree Hall.

Many children also signed-up for this year's Summer Reading Challenge 'Marvellous Makers' and got to meet the Assistant Mayor of Cambridge at the award ceremony. We hope to see you all again next year and hear all about your favourite books!

Heading into the autumn/winter season we have some fantastic events lined up. As has become a bit of a tradition here at the Centre we have our annual Halloween disco on Monday 28 October (see the flyer on page 15 for ticketing and other information). We will also be hosting a half term 'Holiday Lunch' on 1 November in partnership with Cambridge Sustainable Food.

Do keep an eye on our socials and posters in the Centre for more details. You can also find more information here: www.cambridge.gov.uk/clay-farm-centre

We look forward to seeing you over the next few months.



The Clay Farm Centre

Half Term Holiday Lunch and Spooky Crafts

Friday 1st November

The Clay Farm Centre
 Eva Hartree Hall
 Crafts 10:30am-12noon
 followed by lunch 12noon-1pm

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The Clay Farm Centre

Monday 28th October

Eva Hartree Hall

4:15pm-5:30pm

*Suggested ages up to 5yrs

6:15pm-7:30pm

*Suggested ages 6-11yrs

Halloween Family Disco

Join us for our Halloween themed disco where
Disco Dan will be bringing those spooky beats to the dance floor!

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Free Ticketed Event*

(*includes cold drinks for the children)

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Tickets available from the Clay Farm

Library reception desk from 7th October

*Children must be supervised.

Max 2 adults per family group

Min 1 adult



The Clay Farm Centre is managed and operated by Cambridge City Council in partnership with Cambridgeshire County Council.

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/Londis 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
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Not so much to report this time, as we all took a little summer break, so there were no pop-up stalls during August. However, the amazing library staff at the Clay Farm Centre allowed us to put out two rails of school uniform, during the last couple of weeks of the school holidays, to enable families to stock up before the beginning of the new school year. It proved really popular and needed topping up several times. Thank you, Alison and all the library staff – we really appreciate your support.



Over the summer, generous amounts of donations came rolling in, to be sorted by our willing volunteers and we are fully stocked up with lots of lovely clothes, waiting to be re-homed. Now that our team is all rested and ready to go, we have planned pop-ups on 12 October at Trumpington Pavilion and on 14 November at Trumpington Meadows Primary School. Come along and join us, if you can!

The clothes rails at Fawcett, Trumpington Meadows and Trumpington Park primary schools have been topped up regularly, especially the rails at Trumpington Meadows, as the school has been open from time to time throughout the holidays. The local schools have also donated their lost property to us, which has helped considerably. Thank you all! Don't forget to have a look on the rails to see if there is anything that you can use and then just help yourself!

If you would like to volunteer with us, or offer to sponsor one of our events, please do get in touch; we would be delighted to hear from you.

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

Girls Group for those aged 12-17 years old

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Trumpington Local History Group

Our next indoor meeting will be on Thursday 31 October. Andrew Roberts will describe the **Evolution of Trumpington Village, from 900 AD to Today** – from its foundation as a nucleated settlement before the Norman Conquest, followed by gradual growth over the next 1000 years and expansion in the last 100 years. How has the village developed and what are the influences on its current layout? Including the concept of nucleated villages and local features such as the road network, village green, churches, manors, pubs, farms, services and homes. **7pm at the Clay Farm Centre, admission £2.50.**

Our website trumpingtonlocalhistorygroup.org has lots of information about all kinds of aspects of the history of the parish. Just search from the home page.

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, tlhlist@gmail.com

Trumpington Residents Association (TRA)

Our July meeting was held at the Pavilion, a chance for members to mingle over food and drinks – styled as ‘bring your own picnic’, but also to brainstorm future events and activities for the TRA. Now that our time and energy isn’t going on running the Pavilion, what are our new priorities? It was also a chance for members to put their names down to help organise those future events and activities, with everything from designing a new promotional leaflet to responding to planning applications up for grabs!



By the time you read this, our September meeting will have also taken place. This was a more formal meeting with a guest speaker, Cllr Katie Thornburrow (Executive Councillor for Planning, Building Control and Infrastructure at Cambridge City Council).

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday 27 November at 8pm in Trumpington Meadows Primary school. Please look out for information about the guest speaker but note the venue in the meantime.

If you are interested in joining, please complete the TRA membership form online: trumpingtonresidentsassociation.org/tra or email the Membership Secretary: members@trumpingtonresidentsassociation.org

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Trumpington Community Orchard

The Orchard continues to be popular with both young families and teens, and though we did complain of rain, the wildflower meadow and fruit trees have with lots of damselflies and dragonflies. Unfortunately, the expected abundance of peacock butterflies (given the number of caterpillars) never materialised. If any insect experts could shed light on the matter, we would be happy to hear from you! We are also looking for a moth expert to reestablish the popular moth and bat nights.

The glut of crab apple trees in the hedgerow has proved popular with many passing visitors and a few have ventured into the Orchard to sample some of the heritage variety apples too. One issue is the lack of knowledge of when to pick and eat these uncommon varieties and a future ambition is to improve our website to include such information on the heritage varieties and possibly install a lectern notice board with this information and their location. The raised beds continue to thrive, with the herb garden continuing to provide fresh herbs for local cooking enthusiasts without gardens.

Our swift visitors have now left for their winter residences in Africa and will hopefully return again next spring. Unfortunately, the swifts have lost a champion this month with the passing of Bill Murrell, one of the founders of the Action for Swifts movement, at the ripe old age of 84. As a professional builder, Bill was one of the first people to connect the fall in swift numbers with the trend of modernising house eaves with fascias and he developed the Cambridge system of nesting bricks made from commonly used breeze-blocks that have now been installed in hundreds of sites in East Anglia and beyond. Bill was instrumental in both the building and installation of the original swift tower at the Orchard as well as the recent refurbished nesting boxes originally vandalised by our resident squirrel pests. It was quite an experience seeing the 83yr old Mr Murrell clambering up the precarious scaffold tower that he had erected to get up and repair the nesting boxes in situ!! RIP Mr Murrell and Trumpington Community Orchard will always be grateful for your generosity of time, spirit and unmatched expertise.

We continue to seek the involvement of corporate volunteers as this has been invaluable for the upkeep of the orchard. And of course we also welcome local volunteers – you need to come dressed in weatherproof clothing and footwear and we will provide gloves and necessary tools.

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Trumpington Food Hub is now Fairbite Trumpington

In July, Cambridge City Foodbank (CCFb) took on operation of what was the Trumpington Food Hub, which has reopened as a **Fairbite Food Club**. In exchange for a small membership fee of £3 or £5 members can choose from a selection of food and household items. The club is funded by the foodbank, to support people who are struggling to afford the essentials. It is run by coordinator Patrick Brown and the brilliant set of volunteers who previously ran the Hub.

Fairbite Trumpington is at Trumpington Pavilion every Friday from 12 noon to 1.30pm. A free café is open for members from 11.30am to 1.30pm. Cambridge City Foodbank are extremely grateful to the Trumpington Residents Association, volunteers and supporters of the hub/Food Club for all their hard work in making this change work. If you are aware of anyone who is in need of help, please let them know about the continued availability of this local support.

Please contact info@ccfb.org.uk for more details or if you would like join or support Fairbite Trumpington

Trumpington Repair Café

At the time of writing, we are preparing for the next Repair Café on 13 October with Trumpington Meadows Primary School again the venue for community mending, saving waste, landfill and money. These are great occasions with our volunteer repairers doing what they love to do, and many satisfied customers of the repair room and the café.

If you are interested in joining or supporting the Trumpington Repair Café Group, please email trumpingtonrepaircafe@gmail.com – we would love to hear from you.

Items can be booked in via <https://linktr.ee/trurepcaf> – or use the QR code.

For those without internet access call 07938 158819 and leave a text or voice message.



Trumpington Strings

This small string orchestra meets at Denis Wilson Court, Porson Road CB2 8ES. The members are from all age groups and we focus on performing 2-3 concerts a year, at Denis Wilson Court or at hospices and care homes in the area. It is free to join and the concerts are either free, or entry by donation in aid of a chosen local charity.

We perform music from the standard string orchestra repertoire plus a few more modern items, or sing-along material for care home concerts. We are looking for more members – all ages are welcome and ideally, we are looking for fairly advanced players, violinists in particular. We are a friendly group and enjoy playing together. Rehearsals are currently held on Sundays at Denis Wilson Court (weekly or fortnightly depending on the players' availability) from 2 to 4.30pm, with a tea break.

The musical director is Gillian Ruddick, teacher of violin and viola, formerly founder/director of Nova Strings in New Zealand, with a Cambridge University degree in music and Licentiate diplomas in violin and viola (Trinity College).

For more information please contact Gillian (g.m.ruddick01@cantabgold.net).

Trumpington Federation

The Trumpington Federation – made up of Fawcett and Trumpington Meadows Primary schools – run regular school tours for anyone interested in seeing what we do in our schools. Over recent years, we have developed our curriculum to ensure children do not just leave our schools with the English, Maths and Science skills they need to be successful at secondary school but also with a focus on developing the citizens of the future, confident across a whole range of subjects, both in and out of the classroom. We have specialist Forest School teachers and all children get the opportunity to build their self-confidence and problem-solving skills out in nature. Our swimming pool at Fawcett school ensures all KS2 children have the opportunity to swim each year whilst our specialist Music provision sees our children playing ukuleles, producing their own music, or visiting the O2 arena as part of our choir. We also continue to develop our playgrounds through the exciting OPAL project!



If you would like to find out more about our schools or pay us a visit, please contact either school via 01223 840299. We'd love to welcome you into our school community!

Ollie Monro, Head of School, Trumpington Meadows, Primary School

IGNITE – exciting new digital STEM magazine for children

IGNITE offers children a unique platform to explore the world of Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Mathematics (STEAM), with children writing for children, making complex topics engaging and accessible for young minds. The summer issue covers a range of exciting topics including China's Chang'e-6 mission to the Moon, innovative dark matter experiments, and the groundbreaking James Webb Telescope.

Niel Lautenschlager, an 11-year-old pupil at Trumpington Park Primary School is editor-in-chief; he is passionate about making the latest discoveries and developments in STEAM accessible to every child. His enthusiasm is infectious, and his leadership is driving the magazine to new heights. Niel says, "By sharing what we learn, we hope to make science and technology fun and accessible".



IGNITE and Niel are part of the Cambridge Electronics and Robotics Club (CERC), a CamCare UK initiative that aligns with IGNITE's mission to make learning engaging and accessible for children.

The call for more young writers is open, inviting children who are eager to share their passion for STEAM topics. Additionally, IGNITE is seeking sponsors who believe in the power of education and the potential of young minds to help bring the magazine into print and expand its reach globally.

For more information and to access the current edition, scan the QR code.



Wildlife Trust BCN Trumpington Meadows Update

Introducing Becca Badger:

Hi! I'm Communities and Education Officer Rebecca Neal and I'm now an additional resource for the Wildlife Trust for Beds, Cambs, and Northants' community work around Trumpington Meadows Nature Reserve. I'll be running activities on the nature reserve, and engaging with schools and local community groups. If you are interested in what I can offer (eg talks, assemblies, workshops...) please get in touch.

Over the winter I'll be planning a programme of activities for 2025. Here's what we already offer:

- Monthly Meander: walks for adults of 2-3 miles with a seasonal theme
- Wildlife Watch sessions: family activities on Saturday afternoons, monthly in the warmer months
- Family Wildlife Camp-out: an annual family overnight camp with wildlife activities and toasted marshmallows

We've trialled a few things in recent months which we hope will continue:

- Youth Ranger sessions: a regular group for secondary-age young people interested in local wildlife and environmental issues, with practical volunteering, walks and socials
- Family activities on Thursdays during the school holidays

I am really keen to know what other events you want to see, and especially if you have a family, what kind of outdoor activities you might bring them to. Please email suggestions.

Over the winter months, the conservation team Becky, Michael, Jenny, and volunteers, will be busy with seasonal work including cutting back a small section of the reedbed, managing the pollard willows along the river, removing scrub and hedge-laying.

Email: Rebecca.Neal@wildlifebcn.org or

TrumpingtonMeadows@wildlifebcn.org

Facebook: @BeccaBadgerWTBCN & @trumpingtonmeadowsNR

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