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by St Mary & St Michael Parish Church



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Cover: A sample of medieval glass in the Chancel. Why not visit your Parish Church and have a look around, the building is open daily 9am to 4pm, enter through the door under the tower.

Your Church: the Future – Churchwarden Edmund writes . . .

Many readers will be aware that the church has been looking at its needs for the future. After much consultation and deliberation, the Chancellor of the Diocese is set to approve proposals for the re-ordering of our Grade 1 listed building. We would like to share these plans with the wider community.

While respecting the impressive architecture and characteristics of the 13th/14th century structure, largely built with soft Barnack Stone, the objective is to provide essential extra facilities and a decent space for greater use by Trumpington organisations and allow more flexible church services. The work could take up to 10 years to complete and needs to be phased.

The first priority is to completely rewire the building taking into consideration the alterations that will follow. We hope to get this vital work completed in 2025.

The next phase of work is yet to be confirmed but based on the needs highlighted during our consultations, we are likely to be converting the existing Vestry into a fully accessible toilet and providing a kitchenette along the north wall of the North Chapel. This phase will require the removal of pews in the North Aisle and the relocation of the Font to the west of the North Door. The North Door will eventually become the main weekday entrance to the church, making it accessible for users of wheelchairs and mobility scooters.

Removing the South Aisle pews will allow space for a new Vestry at the west end and also improve access to the South Chapel, which will be retained as a space for work with children. The provision of storage solutions will follow. These works will allow enhanced space for activities and meetings. Extra seating for large services and events will be provided by lightweight stackable chairs.

Existing funds will permit the rewiring to be completed and further phases will depend on raising sufficient funds. Once the full permission is given in the form of a Faculty (the Church of England's equivalent to planning permission) a major fundraising effort will be launched with the aim of ensuring sufficient money is available for a continuous programme of works. The church will welcome any expressions of interest in helping with the fundraising, seeking grants or assisting with a donation. This is a complicated project, but one which will give Trumpington a facility to be used by all. Please do contact me if you wish to be involved or would like more information.

Edmund, churchwarden@trumpington.church



Our Mothers' Union

With the Christmas festivities over and the New Year well on its way we look forward to our fellowship together in 2025.

We next meet on the 27 February for our AGM at 75 Bishops Road at 2pm (our usual venue). We will follow the meeting with a cream tea.

We are still in the progress of organising our programme for the rest of year, so cannot give much detail here. Other than we will be meeting on the third Thursday in March, which is 20th, and we will be back to a 2.30pm start time. Hopefully March will bring us some lighter, spring-like days.

*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*



Christmas Tree Festival 2024

The church looked wonderful with all the trees! Thank you to everyone who took part, to those who visited, and especially to the volunteers who helped out over the weekend. We couldn't put on an event like this without you!

The winners of the 4 categories of trees were: adult groups – Trumpington Stitches 'Have a Crocheted Christmas'; adult individual – Barbara Burgess 'poet-tree'; children's group – Trumpington Brownies 'Angels' (photo); and families – the Reynolds with 'Michael's tree'. Ken Fletcher won the Christmas Tree quiz.

The net income (after expenses of £626) was £792. All proceeds are going into the reimagining fund.

Shall we do it all again next Christmas? If you'd like to be involved in any way please get in touch!

Sheila, warden@trumpington.church



Services at St Mary & St Michael in February & March

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 2 February

- 8.30am BCP Holy Communion
- 10am All Age Communion
- 6.30pm Sung Evening Prayer
– a Celtic-inspired liturgy with harp accompaniment

Sunday 9 February

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

Sunday 16 February

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

Sunday 23 February

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

Sunday 2 March

- 8.30am BCP Holy Communion
- 10am All Age Communion
- 6.30pm Sung Evening Prayer
– a Celtic-inspired liturgy with harp accompaniment

Wednesday 5 March – Ash Wednesday

- 7.30pm Holy Communion with Ashes

Sunday 9 March – First Sunday of Lent

- 8.30am BCP Holy Communion
- 10am **No service** due to road closures for the TTP Cambridge Half Marathon

Sunday 16 March

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

Sunday 23 March

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

Sunday 30 March – Mothering Sunday

- 8.30am BCP Holy Communion
- 10am Holy Communion

From the Parish Registers

Funeral

06/01/2025 Alexander Gillies Young

Baptism

12/01/2025 Alba and Theo Lister

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.

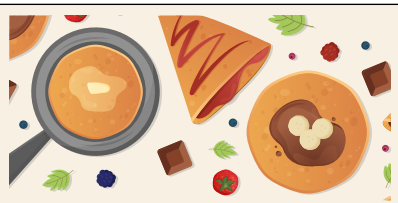
10am All Age Communion is a more contemporary communion service specifically for 'all ages'. There is no Junior Church on this Sunday as the children stay for the service.

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.

Shrove Tuesday Pancake Party Tuesday 4 March 4.30-7pm in Church

Everyone welcome – please let us know you are coming: leave a message on 01223 846096 or email admin@trumpington.church



Trumpington Memory Café

Every third Wednesday of the month, 10.30-12.30

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, Cambridge CB2 9JF

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Memory Café

In November, Lucy Lewis gave an interesting and humorous talk about her life in military service. Poppies were placed in a tray of sand as an act of remembrance for loved ones lost in conflicts past and present. This was accompanied by a short, formal Act of Remembrance, including a 2-minute silence.

On a more light-hearted note, the songs *It's a long way to Tipperary*, *Shenandoah* and *The White Cliffs of Dover* were sung by all.

Decorations were made for the Memory Café Tree 'Forget me not' which was entered into the Christmas Tree Festival.

In December, Father Christmas appeared with a sack of goodies for all in attendance. Christmas Carols were sung, poems were shared, and there was a fun game of Pass-the-Parcel with each layer revealing a sweet and a question. And, as has become custom, the session ended with a collaborative singing of *The Twelve Days of Christmas*. Preparations are now underway for the pantomime in January!

See the flyer above for details of how to get involved with Memory Café.

Janet Hookham



The MumCo (formerly MOPS)

Are you a mum (of toddlers, teenagers, newborn, or even just expecting)? Are you around on Tuesday mornings?

You're welcome to come and connect with others in your community, make friends, learn about parenting, be creative and have some fun – do come and join us at 10am on Tuesdays in term time in the Community Rooms at Trumpington Meadows Primary School. One week we run a creche so you can join in the different activities while our DBS-checked volunteers look after your little ones and the next week there's Stay & Play.

Last term we considered how to reduce the mental load Mums so often carry, rang bells, stitched flags to make bunting for Christmas (kudos to Trumpington Stitches), made wreaths for advent while enjoying coffee (and often cake). This term we're thinking about Living Passionately not just going through the motions. Do come and join us: 4 & 25 February, 11 & 25 March, 22 April for the full **Mum Community** experience, 11 February, 4 & 18 March, 1 & 29 April for **Stay & Play**.

Trumpington Mum Community is supported by South Trumpington Parish and St Mary & St Michael's Parish Church.

Don't consider yourself a mum nowadays?

We have space in our team of helpers to sing songs, build towers, make tea, tell stories and play games. If you might like to join in, help out, do contact Isla at theMumCoTrumpington@gmail.com.

Many Mums describe attending the Trumpington MumCommunity as the highlight of their week, giving them some respite and space. It's wonderful and fulfilling, and we've no expectation of having you with us every week, so if you would like to find out more about helping local Mums and getting to know others in your Community or get involved do contact us.

These roles are subject to the Church's *Safer Recruitment Practices*. Volunteers will need to undergo an enhanced DBS check and appropriate safeguarding training; both of which we will facilitate.

Contact us: theMumCoTrumpington@gmail.com | [facebook.com/MumCo-Trumpington](https://www.facebook.com/MumCo-Trumpington)

Do come and join us for the
Church & Churchyard Clean-up
Saturday 22 March, 9-12

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Contact details for The Trumpet

Emma, our parish administrator, collates the copy and photos and also deals with advertising requests.

Copy date for the April & May issue is
Monday 3 March.

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

Community News and Events

Clay Farm Community Garden

While nature stores its energy, hardworking volunteers have prepared the greenhouse for spring. Raspberries and blackberries have been pruned and re-spaced with new posts and wire installed.

Litter picking, a never-ending task, was organised by garden volunteers some of whom also assisted with the tree-guard removal events in Hobson Park. To find out more join the Clay Farm Trees WhatsApp group.

Nicola from 'Cambridge Micro Greens' ran an activity with Frank and Chris at the 2024 Christmas Eco Market at Clay Farm Centre.

On Thursday 12 December, we hosted our annual Christmas Garden Party with Steak and Honour, a fire pit for children and parents to toast marshmallows, plus home-made mulled wine, apple juice and mince pies. A big thank you to Tom at VG Coffee for stepping in, at short notice, to supply warming drinks of coffee, tea, and chocolate. Carol singing, led by the choir and friends of St Mary & St Michael, brought joy to a dark winter evening.

We began 2025 with the Trumpington Orchard Wassail and Seedy Sunday.



Our Trumpington Representatives

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TRUMPINGTON STITCHERS

Trumpington Stitches

We are thrilled to have won the adult group category of the Christmas Tree Festival competition at the Parish Church with our crocheted group effort. We're now thinking about 2025's tree!



Meanwhile we are planning workshops for the rest of 2025 and you can see the flyer here. If a workshop is full, we will put on extra dates so do put your name on the waiting list. 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.

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



Booking essential

February to March 2025

Monday evening workshops

7-9pm at the Trumpington Pavilion CB2 9JT • Cost £7.50 each

● **10 February**

Knitting for beginners and improvers

Try a cute hen egg-cosy or just a square if you prefer.



● **24 February or 24 March**

Machine applique – birds

A wall-hanging or pocket on a bag or apron. Some machine experience preferable.



● **10 March**

How to read a crochet chart

For people with some experience of basic crochet stitches.



● **Booking essential for all workshops**

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I am delighted to report that the 2024 Poppy Appeal has to date raised just over £22,000, a significant increase on 2023, a tribute not only to those who so generously donated but also to those who assisted with collecting in any way, whether in Waitrose or elsewhere. Thank you all!

The start of 2025 marked the 80th anniversary of the end of the Battle of the Bulge in the dense forests of the Ardennes, the last major German offensive of World War II. This year also marks the 80th anniversary of both VE Day (8 May), and more importantly for Cambridgeshire, VJ Day (15 August). There are a few veterans alive who served in World War II and this demonstrates the need to support former members of the armed forces for many decades after they served, defending our shores and freedom.

The determination of disabled veterans to succeed against apparently insuperable injuries both mental and physical is an example to us all. After attending the Defence Medical Rehabilitation Centre (now at Stanford Hall near Loughborough after the late Duke of Westminster spearheaded a campaign for a purpose-built centre to replace Headley Court) many achieve goals we might think impossible. While the MoD funds the facility, their recovery also benefits from financial input from the Royal British Legion, facilitated by readers' donations to the Poppy Appeal.

As we progress through 2025, let us be sure to remember those who made the supreme sacrifice and did not live to see VE Day and VJ Day. Let us also continue to support veterans of World War II and more recent conflicts, remembering our armed forces still serve to protect us and the lives we lead today.

Edmund Brookes, RBL, 01223 840374

Trumpington Local History Group

Our next indoor meeting is on Thursday 20 February, when the subject is **Trumpington's Manors**, 7pm at the Clay Farm Centre, admission £2.50.

Jo Sear will be telling us about how important the manorial system was for the whole of society in the late medieval and early modern periods. She will be looking in particular at the history of the various manors in Trumpington and their influence on the lives of ordinary people.

We are in the process of putting together our programme for autumn/winter 2025-26. If you can think of any aspect of Trumpington's history which you would like to learn about, then please do get in touch. We are always looking for new ideas, as well as re-visiting topics we have looked at previously.

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 contact us.

Howard Slatter, Chairman, tlhglst@gmail.com



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Trumpington Brownies

The Brownies had lots of fun at our campfire with singing and s'mores in November. The weather was just about perfect: not too cold and very still. In meetings for the rest of the term, we continued the *Have Adventures* theme from the Girlguiding programme, which included making snow goggles and playing survival games.

A major highlight has been a Brownie gaining her Gold Award (the highest award a Brownie can achieve). Achieving this award takes commitment and determination. Matilda showed both and thoroughly deserves her Gold Award! The final part of her award was to organise and run a session for the Brownies. She chose making candy cane mice. The resulting mischief of mice was great fun and the activity was much enjoyed by the Brownies.

Term ended with making a huge host of angels for our Christmas tree submission to St Mary and St Michael Church's Christmas tree festival. The Brownies are chuffed that their tree won the children's category.

We're in need locally of more leaders, especially for Rainbows (girls aged 4-7 years) and Guides (girls aged 10-14 years). Please get in touch to find out more about joining the fun and volunteering with Girlguiding:
shelforddistrict@gmail.com



Fairbite Food Club Trumpington

This runs at Trumpington Pavilion every Friday from 12 noon to 1.30pm with a free café for members from 11.30am to 1.30pm.

Fairbite Food Club is a social supermarket funded by Cambridge City Foodbank for people who are struggling to cover their essential costs.

In exchange for a small fee of £3 or £5 members can choose from a selection of food and household items, and have access to financial and other advice. It is run by coordinator Patrick Brown and a great team of volunteers.

We are currently looking for more volunteers to help stock the food club on Thursdays from 12.30 to 1.30pm, or to help at the sessions on Fridays (10 to 11.15am or 11.15am to 2pm).

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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 Hob Square area including Clay Farm Centre with RVS cafe, GP Surgery & Library, Welfare Pharmacy, NISA Local, Sainsbury's Local, Dentistry & More, Dao Cafe, O'Vesuvio Pizza
- 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, La Reina Cafe
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Following the excited autumn visit by four classes of enthusiastic youngsters from Trumpington Park Primary School, the start of the winter has been rather tranquil at the Orchard. This second school visit was very educational for the children, as they were able to learn how the Orchard changes during the various seasons. We are full of admiration for the teachers and parents who provide such a rich experience for young minds. Their visits also emphasise the importance of teaching our young people love and respect for nature, to help avoid some unfortunate recent incidents at the Orchard by a few teens, who clearly don't understand the purpose of raised beds and saplings. We are, however, keen to work with our local secondary schools to further the responsible education of our young people.

The Orchard continues to be popular with corporate volunteers. Visits by local volunteers from Hays and AZ has meant that the hedgerow has been well maintained and the rampant brambles now provide suitable habitat for small mammals and birds through the winter. This has been particularly welcome as the planned quarterly maintenance session in December had to be cancelled due to inclement weather.

We start 2025 with the celebration of our yearly Wassail and will report on the festivities in the next issue of *The Trumpet*. We hope this year to reinstate some of our previous biodiversity activities and would again ask for any knowledgeable volunteers, amateur or professional, who would be happy to run a moth night and/or bat walk. We would also welcome any suggestions for other activities to enrich the experience of the local community and particularly young people.

Our next Orchard next maintenance session is planned for Sunday 9 February. As always you need to come dressed in weatherproof clothing and footwear and we will provide gloves and necessary tools. Hope to see you soon!

Contact us by email –
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Trumpington Kids Clothes Hub

Happy New Year! Our happy band of volunteers has been very busy. Every week, we collect huge amounts of donations from Clay Farm Library and the Bakehouse. We take them away and sort them into age groups (having first checked that they are in good order and fit to be re-homed) and then we run around, topping up the rails at Fawcett Primary School and the Hub Corner at Trumpington Meadows Primary School.



Next, we think about our pick-your-own stalls and also about filling boxes for families that are not able to attend our stalls. Since we started our venture, we have made up bespoke boxes for some 860 children and welcomed more than 680 families to our pop-up events. That's a lot of clothes that are being put to good use, instead of going to landfill!

A highlight of our year was the Church Christmas Tree Festival. Our theme was 'Pocket Treasures'. We often find little surprises that have been collected by children and stowed away in pockets, so we thought they should be saved and displayed on our tree. I wonder if any visiting children recognised one of their own treasures?

We have already planned some dates for pick-your-own stalls: We will be holding a pop-up stall at Trumpington Meadows School on 1 March and at Trumpington Village Hall on 5 April. Our grateful thanks to the school and the village hall for allowing us to use their facilities, free of charge and to our generous sponsors, who make it possible for us to hire a van to transport the clothes to the venues. Please come along, if you can, we will have lots of lovely clothes, all neatly folded and waiting patiently for a new home.

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

Trumpington Federation

The second half of the Autumn term was, as ever, a busy one at Fawcett and Trumpington Meadows schools. Year 5, across the Federation, visited the Harry Potter Studios and had a magical day in which they took part in a costume design workshop. They then used this to develop their writing when back in school. Year 2 have visited the Cambridge Film Festival whilst many of our classes had the exciting opportunity to visit the annual pantomime at the Cambridge Arts Theatre, 'Cinderella'. We also were delighted to see so many local families at the Federation Winter Fair. Finally, we continue to build close links with the University of Cambridge, not just by hosting some of their trainee teachers, but now being a base school for their PE teaching which saw 80 budding new teachers working with our children as part of their studies. We would always be delighted to show members of the community round either of our schools so please do get in touch on 01223 840299.

Ollie Monro, Head of School, Trumpington Meadows Primary School



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Our winter festivities were a huge success (even Storm Darragh couldn't keep people away!) with Santa making an appearance at our Christmas Event and the annual Christmas Eco Market proving to be very popular again.

The RVS café is open 10am-3pm weekdays and Saturday mornings 10-12 and our Saturday Special sessions (board games, Lego and crafts) are now a regular favourite running 10-12 in the café area.

See the flyer on page 15 for details of our half-term activity morning on 18 February.

Keep an eye on our noticeboards and socials @clayfarmcentre and 'What's On' bulletins for more information. You can also find our weekly classes and events here:

www.cambridge.gov.uk/clay-farm-centre



Trumpington Repair Café: Sunday 23 February

From 2 to 5pm at Trumpington Meadows Primary School, see the flyer on page 26 for booking and event information, or scan the QR code here.

We also now have a phonenumber for people who cannot use the internet. Call 07938 158819 and leave a text or voice message so that we can call or text you back.

Since April 2023, and thanks to the initial grant of £430 from the City Council Sustainable City budget, 23 February will be our sixth event. We have repaired hundreds of objects which would have gone into landfill, given favourite items a new lease of life, and saved a lot of households from the expense of buying new.

These are great occasions when our volunteer repairers do what they love doing, and there are many satisfied customers in the repair room and enjoying homemade refreshments in the café.

We are part of the local network of repair cafes supported by Cambridge Carbon footprint and were delighted when one of our group was able to contribute a Trumpington panel to the quilt they made.

If you would like to help us with this event, or in any other way, please email us at trumpingtonrepaircafe@gmail.com



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On the second Wednesday of every month at 10.30am there's also the 'Very Important Persons' (VIP) group – see the flyer opposite. We're looking for volunteers to run the VIP group from April. If that's something you'd be interested in, or you'd like more information, please contact TrumpingtonPavilion@cambridge.gov.uk

Look online or on our noticeboard outside the Pavilion to see what's happening throughout the month. You can find us at www.cambridge.gov.uk/trumpington-pavilion or on Facebook. 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.

1st Trumpington Scout Group

We have one Beaver Colony, two Cub Packs and two Scout Troops and provide Scouting to around 125 young people every week during term time. We still have a long waiting list for Beavers and Scouts, but do currently have spaces in Cubs. Please be in touch if you would like your child to become a member.

We ran a full programme of activities last year including bowling, camps, campfires, creative activities, engineering challenges, first aid, hiking, kayaking, sewing, and lots of other badges. We're hoping that 2025 will bring more of the same. None of this would be possible without our amazing adult volunteers, thank you to all who helped last year.



We are currently looking for a Team Leader for Tuesday Cubs – if you think you might be interested, please email Deb Thomas, Group Lead Volunteer on deb@1sttrumpingtonscouts.org.uk.

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 and over are subject to a DBS check and full training is provided. We also have Young Leader volunteering opportunities for those doing Duke of Edinburgh Awards.

South Trumpington Parish Meeting

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

All residents who live in South Trumpington pay a precept to the Parish as part of their council tax. This precept is used to fund local events and also to provide grants for local community groups. Meetings are held quarterly in January, April, July and October. All residents are welcome to attend, but only those living in the Parish and registered to vote are eligible to vote on proposals. Please do come along and have a say in how your money is spent. For more details contact clerk@southtrumpington.co.uk or chair@southtrumpington.co.uk

Deb Thomas, Chair of South Trumpington Parish Meeting

Trumpington Meadows Community Festive Event

South Trumpington Parish Meeting proudly sponsored the Community Festive Event on 13 December. This year, the event was held alongside the Trumpington Federation PTA event, which featured a variety of games, stalls, and the famous rainbow hampers. The school choir brought a festive touch with a delightful performance of holiday songs under the marquee.



A highlight of the event was the Santa's Grotto and sleigh, where over 150 children had the opportunity to meet Santa and receive a special chocolate gift. The enchanting elf storytelling captivated young attendees. Guests were treated to fantastic outdoor entertainment, with lively performances from the Cambridge City Brass Band and the KJ Folk Band. Dancing with Santa was a highlight for some.

Special thanks to Katherine Ostler for organising and bringing the event to life. The food vans, organised by TMDAG, were a major hit, with a lively trade in hot food. A heartfelt thank you to Karen Lamb for coordinating the food stalls, as well as Manna Seoul, Pimp My Fish, and Jez-Guyanese Cuisine for their delicious contributions and presence.

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Wildlife Trust BCN February update

Thanks to funding from The Leys and St Faith's Schools Foundation, The Wildlife Trust BCN will be expanding our programme of family events in the Trumpington area in 2025. Between the February and October half terms, you'll find **Wild in the Meadows** family sessions for primary aged children on Thursdays during school holidays, and monthly at weekends. You will also be able to chat with staff during drop-in days later in the year.

Our Communities and Education team has a greater capacity now, so we have more on offer. Coming up this year look out for:

Youth Rangers: monthly sessions for secondary-school-age young people who are interested in local wildlife and global environmental issues. We make use of our office and reserve in Cambourne, as well as the wonderful Trumpington

Meadows Nature Reserve, and others nearby, to do practical volunteering, help at events, go on walks, carry out surveys, and enjoy socials with like-minded people.

Walks for adults: new for 2025, you will have two options of guided walks: you can join a longer, more in-depth 'monthly meander' (usually) on the second Monday of the month, or a shorter 'seasonal stroll' on a variety of days and times with a focus on common wildlife.

Sit and Chat in Nature: these do exactly what the title says! We'll find a nice spot not far from the car park and enjoy the wildlife around us over a cuppa.

Nature and Natter: this is a series of monthly activities with a naturey theme, focussing on friendly chat. Some are based in Cambourne, and some at Trumpington Meadows.

Find out more on our website: www.wildlifebcn.org/events

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March 16th 11am (Thurs)	September 12th 2pm (Fri)
April 12th 1pm (Thurs)	October 13th 10am (Wed)
May 18th 7.30am (Thurs)	November 14th 11am (Fri)
June 17th 7pm (Tues)	December 16th 1.30pm (Thurs)

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1st Trumpington Scout Group

Beavers (age 6-8) Wednesday Trumpington Meadows School (TMP)

Cubs (age 8-10.5) Tuesday, TMP; Wednesday, Fawcett School

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During the summer term, we meet on Trumpington Meadows as much as possible. All term-time only.

For more information or to volunteer email gsl@1sttrumpingtonscouts.org.uk

Trumpington Allotment Society
We manage Foster Road allotments: trumpingtonallotments.org

The Trumpet

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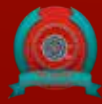
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