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by St Mary & St Michael Parish Church



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Cover: 'Guerilla Gardeners' take root: see the article on page 23 (photo Karen Lamb)

Farewell to Mandy . . .

Revd Mandy has been on sabbatical leave since 1 May, and we are very sad to tell all our readers that she has now decided to move to pastures new from this summer. She will not be returning to active ministry at St Mary & St Michael's. Mandy has been with us since the summer of 2019 and guided us through the challenges of the Covid-19 Pandemic, leading us in rebuilding our congregation after that and now with a larger cohort of children which bodes well for the future. In addition, she has spearheaded the complex Reimagining Project to formal approval stage.

As a priest Mandy has always had and has a very strong social conscience to help all those in the parish in whatever way she could, whether active members of the congregation or not, and this was especially evident during the Covid 19 Pandemic, not only visiting the elderly but actively supporting events for young mums and initiatives such as the Food Hub. As we now move forward without her leadership, it is our duty to ensure we all continue to develop our church both physically and spiritually based on the work she has done over the last six years. We wish her well in her future career.

Consequently, from 1 September our operational church enters what is called a period of *Interregnum*, the Church of England's term for the vacancy period while a new Vicar is appointed. As Bishop's Officers it is our joint responsibility to lead everybody through this period, which could last at least a full year. We will ensure that as full a schedule of services is maintained, with visiting priests, and also that the unseen work continues as seamlessly as possible, with the assistance of Emma in the office. This will not be easy, but we will also be supported by the Parochial Church Council (PCC). Mandy maintained a schedule of supporting various parish activities and community groups and so far as is possible that will continue, though there may inevitably be gaps. We ask for your forbearance, but if you have any concerns do contact us in the first instance through Emma in the Church Office.

Finally, we ask all our readers to hold Mandy in our prayers as she starts a new challenge in her life.

Edmund Brookes & Sheila Betts, Churchwardens

Junior Church

Here are some of our Junior Church making preparations for a cake sale in aid of Christian Aid Week (11-17 May). We all enjoyed eating a lot of cake and the children raised £280.11.

You can find out more about Christian Aid's work supporting communities in need at <https://www.christianaid.org.uk>



From the Parish Registers

Interment of Ashes 13/06/2025 Arthur Colin Renfrew

The MumCo (formerly MOPS)

In the Trumpington Mum Community this year we've been thinking about constructive partnerships, building endurance, getting outdoors, and reducing our mental workload, while crafting, cooking and treating ourselves. (Special thanks to Waitrose, South Trumpington Parish and Danielle Crida, Tropic Ambassador, for their support!) After the summer break we'll be back in the Community Rooms at Trumpington Meadows on Tuesdays at 10am, with DBS-checked helpers in our crèche to look after little ones, so that you can breathe a little deeper. If it's your day off and you want to hang, then you're also welcome to enjoy the space, coffee, and meeting other mums. The new term dates are:

MumCo with creche 9 and 23 September, 7 October
Stay & Play 16 & 30 September

Curious? Then get in touch:

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<https://www.facebook.com/p/MumCo-Trumpington>*

Looking to our new theme, in a world that values polish over vulnerability, we're reclaiming the power of awkwardness. Why? Because awkward is authentic and charming. It's a breath of fresh air. Sometimes in our quest to be seen as competent, professional and sophisticated, we forget the value of being real. We love and appreciate awkwardness in others yet fight it off when we feel it in ourselves. Mums self-report loneliness in staggering statistics, probably because we feel no one truly knows the truest version of ourselves. And there's one way to make that happen – by getting awkward. We're entering a new era of earnestness. It's about showing up as awkward as necessary to express real kindness to other mums. We will be wild, weird, fun, authentic and a little freer. We will become comfortable embracing our unique spark because denying it leaves everyone around us starving for warmth and light.



Our Mothers' Union

What a glorious summer we are having. Let us hope we have some of this lovely weather for our Annual Coffee Morning. This year we will be raising money for the Mothers' Union Summer of Hope Appeal.

The Coffee Morning is at 75 Bishops Road at 10.30am on Thursday 28 August. It is a very social occasion, so do come and join us for coffee, biscuits and a chat. There will be a raffle, books and bric-a-brac stalls to rummage through and homemade cakes for sale. OPEN to ALL, look forward to seeing you.

Our next meeting is on 25 September at 2.30pm, the theme being 'Books Galore'.

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



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Services at St Mary & St Michael in August & September

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/>

Please note that there are a few changes to the regular schedule over the summer and we appreciate the help of several visiting priests, as noted below.

Sunday 3 August

The Revd Anne Strauss
8.30am BCP Holy Communion
10am Holy Communion

Sunday 10 August

The Revd Rachel Rosborough
8.30am BCP Holy Communion
10am Holy Communion
6pm Evensong is available at St Mark's Newnham

Sunday 17 August

The Revd Sarah Atkins (tbc)
8.30am BCP Holy Communion
10am Holy Communion

Sunday 24 August

The Revd Anna Jones
8.30am BCP Holy Communion
10am Holy Communion

Sunday 31 August

The Venerable Dr Alex Hughes,
Archdeacon of Cambridge
8.30am BCP Holy Communion
10am Holy Communion

Sunday 7 September

The Revd Sarah Atkins
8.30am BCP Holy Communion
10am All Age Communion

Sunday 14 September

The Revd Sarah Atkins
8.30am BCP Holy Communion
10am Holy Communion with Junior Church
6pm Evensong is available at St Andrew's, Grantchester

Sunday 21 September

The Revd Sarah Atkins (8.30am)
8.30am BCP Holy Communion
10am Experience & Explore (local team)

Sunday 28 September – Harvest Festival

The Revd Canon Dr Nicholas Thistlethwaite
10am Holy Communion followed by Harvest Lunch in 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.

Memory Café

It was lovely to see some new members at our May meeting when we were entertained by Rosemary Wheeler who gave her talk entitled 'Hats Galore'. Her wonderful collection of hats helped illustrate the history of millinery. Then everyone had a go at embellishing an outline drawing of a hat. There were some wonderful creations.

In June we celebrated four birthdays. Two former schoolteachers, Wendy and Cheryl, gave a fantastic talk about life in the 1970s, bringing back lots of memories: buying their first house, cheese fondue sets, dinner parties with prawn cocktail and casserole, and avocado for dessert! Having to visit several different shops to buy the weekly groceries sparked memories of Sainsbury's shop in Sydney Street. Magazines, TV, Princess Anne's wedding to Mark Phillips, so many things to recall. Cheryl brought along 'hot pants' and an evening dress she wore at that time. Wendy recalled holidays at Butlins, camping which meant taking a week's worth of food with you, and her first holiday abroad. Members then shared their memories of that decade too.

As usual everyone enjoyed a 'cuppa' and lovely cakes as well as singing a variety of favourite songs at both meetings.

If you would like to bring a person with memory loss to the café please contact Janet Hookham on 01223 840268.



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Emma collates the copy and photos and also deals with advertising requests.

Copy date for the October & November issue is Friday 29 August.

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

Community News and Events

Helping Relationships Thrive with Connected Lives

Connected Lives brings people together to build supportive relationships and a strong sense of community.

Summer Garden Family Meetups All ages welcome to join us for Wednesday Garden meetups from 10.00 - 11:30 am on:

- 6 Aug & 27 Aug – Clay Farm Community Garden
- 20 Aug – Botanic Garden (free, booking required: helen.bell@connectedlives.org.uk)

Hands on the Circle (HonCI) Stay-and-play with toys, crafts, singing, and cake!

Wednesdays (term time) 10-11:30 am at Clay Farm Centre, restarting 3 September.

Trumpington Meadows Community Hub Weekly sessions (until 1 August, restarting 5 September) at TM Primary School, 10am-12 noon. Brunch, stay-and-play, crafts, storytelling, free baby clothes, support for all ages.

Parenting Courses Starting this Autumn, these Circle of Security-Parenting courses can help you build stronger bonds, reduce anxiety, and support your child's emotional needs.

Body Mind Connection Storytelling, bodywork and relaxation for parents/carers to relax and reflect. Next session: 20 September.

Find out more:

connectedlives.org.uk/cambridgeshire-hub or scan the QR Code.

katie.logan@connectedlives.org.uk | helen.bell@connectedlives.org.uk




Charity Concert

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Connected Lives

Cambridge Flower Club

Whittlesford Memorial Hall, Whittlesford CB22 4NE on third Thursday at 7.15pm
Refreshments 6.45pm. Annual sub. £45, visitors £10 each meeting

21 August: OPEN MEETING – National NAFAS Demonstration 7.15pm

Kathy Stangaard 'Back to the Future'. Visitors £20, Members £15 for a 6.15pm start with finger buffet, drink, stalls and raffle. Tickets from Alison Drake – see below

18 September: Stephanie Laing NAFAS Demonstrator: 'Inspired by'

Further information from co-chairs: Alison Drake 01223 840117; drakealisonn@gmail.com
or Freda Orgee 01223 891464; fredaorgee@gmail.com

Clay Farm Community Garden

The ethos of the Community Garden is to create a quality green space for biodiversity, a place for physical and mental wellbeing and rest, where plants and wildlife can thrive and people of all ages can come to learn, garden and connect through horticultural or social activity in an accessible place in nature. A dedicated team of volunteers has worked tirelessly to develop the garden into the most beautiful space you see today with opportunities not found elsewhere locally.

As garden volunteers, biodiversity, and its protection, is particularly important.

Unfortunately, there has been an increase in anti-social behaviour and damage to plants and produce and even a bike thrown into the pond. This behaviour upsets not only the volunteers, who have given their time so freely, but also reduces the vibrant array of plants, produce and the wildlife that make their home in the garden.

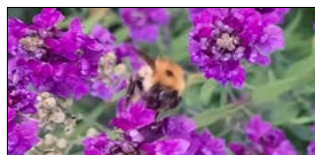
We are asking for your support to help protect the garden and create awareness of its benefits so that in years to come, we, and future generations can all continue to enjoy and be part of a flourishing garden for wildlife and the community.

<https://clayfarmgarden.org>

Singing Mamas Cambridge

A new Singing Mamas group has started in Trumpington at the Pavilion on Thursday mornings, 10.30am-12pm, providing a group singing experience for women of all ages and life stages but with a particular focus on ensuring mums can bring babies and children along. We learn simple songs by ear using call and response so there is no need to read music and you don't need any singing experience to join. Every week we enjoy an hour of harmony singing followed by a cuppa and chat to build on connections made through singing together. Singing Mamas is all about making you feel good. Singing is proven to improve mood, reduce stress and boost energy levels. We sing simple but beautiful songs that help you connect with yourself and others. Little ones also love to hear the beautiful harmonies, and the singing helps their brain development and language skills.

Sessions cost from £5-£7.50 per session and your first session is free. Limited bursary places are also available. If you would like to book a taster session, please email Sally at singingmamaswithsally@outlook.com.



Trumpington Brownies

Girlguiding's *Express Myself* theme award has been a big hit with the Brownies. Part of the award was to complete the Innovate Stage 2 badge. One of the activities in this badge was to design and test sails for 'boats' made from kitchen sponges. A puff through a straw into a well-designed sail moved the 'boats' a surprisingly long way across a table!



The Brownies have also enjoyed using tape to make abstract artwork on canvases. They applied the tape to the canvas and then coloured in the spaces. When the tape was removed, the white lines revealed framed the coloured areas to great effect.

A highlight of the past few weeks was a trip to Trumpington Meadows Nature Reserve with rangers Becca Badger and Becky Ranger. The Brownies pond-dipped and sweep-netted and found a very wide array of small creatures, including a leech and lots of different types of beetles and spiders. An ice cream hike concluded the summer term.

We'd love more adult volunteers in Trumpington for all of our Girlguiding sections: Rainbows (for 4-7 year olds), Brownies (for 7-10 year olds) and Guides (10-14 year olds). Please get in touch to find out more: shelforddistrict@gmail.com

Lisa MacGregor

T3 – NEW TIGER BUS ROUTE LAUNCHED

Great news for Trumpington residents: The new Tiger 3 offers a direct connection to Addenbrooke's Hospital, Royal Papworth Hospital and Cambridge Biomedical Campus from Grantchester through to Fulbourn and including limited stops in Trumpington.

If you'd like to view timetables or learn more information on the routes visit: <https://cambridgeshirepeterborough-ca.gov.uk/tiger-bus-routes/>

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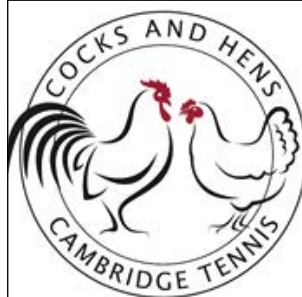
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We are planning two non-teaching sessions, they will be part of a normal Monday meeting, so just £3.50 subs to pay, no extra charge (reductions/exemptions for low income as usual). No need to book, just turn up. These are:

- Making knitted/crocheted poppies for a Remembrance Day display and wreath on Monday 1 September.
 - Sharing ideas for making and embellishing these little pocket dolls (bring yarn and needles), which we will do over two Mondays, to allow the making in between weeks and then constructing and embellishing on the second week – 22 & 29 September. (Patterns are on Ravelry, search Izzy dolls).
- And look out for us doing something stitch-based for children at the Pavilion outdoor activities 4-6pm on 19 August and Clay Farm Centre summer event on 27 August.

Email our Chair Dana at trumpingtonstitches@gmail.com

Lots more information is on our website:
trumpingtonstitches.net

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August & September 2025

Monday evening workshops

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● 11 Aug

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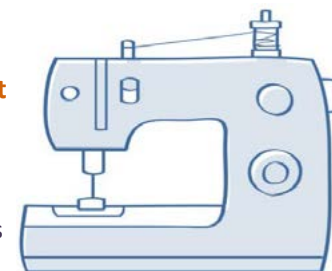
● 18 Aug and 8 Sept

OR

● 22 Sept and 29 Sept

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Royal British Legion

Recently there has been much well-publicised coverage of several Acts of Remembrance associated with events such as VE 80, D Day 81 and Dunkirk 85. As I wrote in the last Trumpet, we will shortly commemorate VJ 80. I will be laying a wreath at the war memorial at 11am on 15 August if anyone wishes to join me.

I believe these anniversaries have reminded everybody of the massive sacrifices made then, on a scale we cannot now imagine, and before most of us were born, enabling us to enjoy the freedom and peace we have in the United Kingdom today. During the currency of this issue, I will start asking for help from our loyal band of volunteers to operate our collecting stall in our Waitrose store from 25 October to 8 November.

We are all growing older and I am pleased that new volunteers are coming forward to help raise nearly £20,000 for the 2025 Poppy Appeal. Apart from having the responsibility for the Annual Act of Remembrance, The Royal British Legion uses these much-needed funds to support service veterans and their dependents throughout the year. This work is mostly unseen but has not diminished with time. So, if you can spare just 1½ hours to help at Waitrose during the appeal period, do come forward and help. It is a very rewarding experience.

Edmund Brookes, RBL, 01223 840374, edmundbrookes@outlook.com

Trumpington Local History Group

**Our next scheduled talk is on
Tuesday 23 September at 8pm,
at the Clay Farm Centre** when we will recognise the 80th anniversary of the end of World War 2 by looking at various ways in which Trumpington and its people were involved in the war.

Early in the war, a prisoner of war camp was set up to the south of Trumpington, off Hauxton Road (photo). The camp was used for German and Italian prisoners during the war. After the war it was used as a holding camp for Austrian and German prisoners awaiting return to their home countries. Finally, it was used as a National Service Hostel. Andrew Roberts and Howard Slatter will talk about the history of the camp and the evidence we have from families of prisoners as well as records from the National Archives. This will be followed by a talk by Edmund Brookes about the Cambridgeshire Regiment in the Far East and the final stages of the War.

Please note that this is on a Tuesday and also the later start time.

Our website trumpingtonlocalhistorygroup.org has lots of information about all kinds of aspects of the history of the parish.

If you would like to be on our email mailing list, or get involved in researching our local history, then please contact us: tlhglst@gmail.com



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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.
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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 Hudson's Ale House
- 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, 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
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Trumpington Community Orchard

The wildflower meadow, now largely grass with knapweed and scabious, has been cut around the seating and paths to provide mulch for the plum and quince trees.

The flowers in the meadow provided abundant pollen and the beehive was so full that a breakaway swarm formed with a new queen and workers and departed.

The apple trees are now covered with fruit and despite ermine apple moth caterpillars eating a lot of the leaves, this does not seem to have reduced the yield of apples. For the first year, the quince tree is covered with fruit – please note that the fruit cannot be eaten raw and needs cooking first!

The wildlife habitat continues to be full of sparrows and robins, some shy thrushes and at least six pairs of nesting swifts have returned.

The kissing gate at the Orchard entrance has been repaired and strengthened thanks to the help and funding from corporate volunteers. We are making some progress with funding to improve the signage in the Orchard and hope to have more information next time.

The Community Orchard remains a popular green space in the extended sunny weather. Unfortunately, antisocial behaviour has led to vandalism of the picnic benches. However, we are working with the local schools to develop love and respect for the environment and shared spaces for our youth.

Our next Orchard next maintenance session is planned for Sunday 14 September. As always dress in suitable clothing and footwear and we will provide gloves and necessary tools. Hope to see you soon!

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Trumpington Kids Clothes Hub

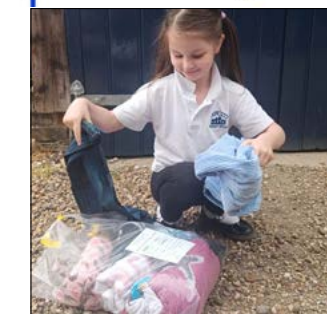
We're starting to look towards a new school year. We were invited by the three local schools to attend their New Starters Meetings, so we took along plenty of school uniform. As a bonus, we gave out free fabric marker pens, so that uniform items could easily be named!

Our latest idea for sending our donated clothing, is Lucky Grab Bags: we've been sorting clothes and popping a selection into see-through bags, marked with age/gender, so that busy people can grab and go. As you can see from the photo, one little girl in particular, was very excited to see what her bag contained!

We will be closed for donations during August, but please save your children's clothes, age 2 to 12 until September, when our donation points will re-open. Or, bring them to our pop-up stall at Trumpington Village Hall on 6 September.

Once again, our grateful thanks to all concerned for allowing us to use their facilities free of charge and to our sponsors, who contribute so generously towards our running costs. If you would like to sponsor one of our events, please get in touch.

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 Residents' Association (TRA)

ALL ARE WELCOME at our Macmillan coffee morning, on Saturday 27 September in the Pavilion. Come and join us between 10.30am and 12 noon, and help us raise funds.

The national Macmillan Coffee Mornings have taken place since 1990. We're looking for donations of cakes and baked goods and people to help on the day. Please get in touch with the TRA at: admin@trumpingtonresidentsassociation.org if you're able to help and want to get involved. And do come along on the day to enjoy some coffee, cakes and good company! (See the poster on back cover).

Donations from thousands of Coffee Mornings, big and small, help raise vital funds to support the almost 3.5 million people in the UK living with cancer. Around £10 million pounds are raised through the coffee mornings each year so it will be great to do our bit.

Our July meeting was a members' social event at the Pavilion. Our next formal meeting will be held on Wednesday 24 September at 7.30pm in the Clay Farm Centre. Anyone is welcome to attend a meeting.

We also remain active in between meetings. Current topics of concern include: local council reorganisation, Cambridge South West Travel Hub, Cambridge South Station, East West Rail, Guided Busway safety, the Local Plan, and the Clay Farm Green Corridor, if any of this interests you, why not join? Find out more on our website at <http://trumpingtonresidentsassociation.org/>

Jenny Blackhurst, Chair, 2025–26, finance@trumpingtonresidentsassociation.org

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Trumpington Meadows Development & Action Group (TMDAG)

Sprucing up Trumpington Meadows: a community in full bloom

Adding to the routine upkeep from the City Council Maintenance Team TMDAG community volunteer residents have been planting daffodil bulbs since 2024 in both Upper and Lower Piper Green, leading to beautiful blooming flowers across the fields.

Table tennis, community spirit and play for all

In a vibrant addition to the area, a new outdoor table tennis table has been installed near the school, and it's been in near-constant use. Funded through generous donations from food van operators who regularly serve the community, the table has become a local icon – now even hosting a Thursday night table tennis tournament.



Greening the school grounds

With the help of Dobbie's Garden Centre and Francis, Pro Service Plumbing & Heating, residents have introduced seven large raised garden planters complete with a connected water supply at the front of Trumpington Meadow Primary School.

A more welcoming local centre

La Reina Café has joined the beautification efforts, securing permission from Trinity Estates to install outdoor seating and decorative plant troughs.

Grassroots action and lasting legacy

Many of the improvements across Trumpington Meadows stem from the work of the TMDAG and the TM Food Vans – both volunteer-led since the pandemic. Donations from these initiatives have gone a long way.

'Guerrilla Gardeners' take root

Perhaps most inspiring of all is the rise of a group of self-proclaimed 'guerrilla gardeners' – local residents who've taken it upon themselves to weed, clear, and replant neglected patches of land throughout the development. With the blessing of the Council, and a vehicle and driver from the Community Engagement Team, these volunteers have created flourishing corners of community pride. (See the front cover)

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Trumpington Federation

The Summer term at the Trumpington Federation was full of all the traditional 'rites of passage' that come at this time of year. We have had a very successful Sports Day, our Year 6s have been off to Norfolk Lakes for a 3-day residential and have put on a musical extravaganza, and we have had a few school trips, including to Mountfitchet Castle and a boat trip along the River Cam. This term, our reception children have also been in nature for their Forest School sessions – all children in school will spend some time at Forest School building up the key skills of teamwork, resilience and problem-solving.

To continue with the horticultural theme, we are grateful to the local community, including Dobbies, for some donations of planters and plants which have now been placed at the front of Trumpington Meadows. Some eager Year 5 children helped to plant these and now have the job of maintaining them.

If you are considering a Nursery space for this September, a Reception space for Autumn, or would like to visit one of our schools with an eye towards any other year group, please contact us on 01223 840299 and we will be happy to help.

Ollie Monro, Head of School, Trumpington Meadows Primary School



Trumpington Repair Café

The eighth Trumpington Repair Café was held at the Trumpington Meadows Primary School on 8 June and was a great success as usual.

The Saturday before, we took part in the City Council's Community Clean-up Day outside the Trumpington Pavilion and identified several items which could be rescued from the tip, including cracked plastic crates and a basketball hoop.

A wide variety of items were marked as repairable: toys, furniture, sewing machines, jewellery, electricals and ceramics. As usual, people were there to see the repairs taking place, getting advice on avoiding future problems, giving a helping hand with the repair, or just watching our wonderful volunteer repairers with admiration. The basketball hoop was mended and is now on its way to a local school for a new lease of life.

The next Repair Café is on Sunday 27 September. The team always welcomes offers of help with baking or help on the day. You can email them on trumpingtonrepaircafe@gmail.com. We particularly need someone who could help to handle phone or



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We offer

- Brunch – porridge, croissants, muffins, yoghurts and fresh fruit
- Storytelling, singing and craft sessions
- Mental health and wellbeing support
- Community pantry
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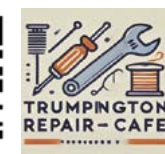
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Aaron mends a favourite lamp for Maureen and David mends an electric lawnmower with the owner's help

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Arthur Rank Hospice Charity

Brand new colleges route for Bridge the Gap

Bridge the Gap, a Cambridge community walk is returning for its special 25th year on Sunday 14 September and registrations are now open. Join supporters for a walk on a brand new route featuring a selection of Cambridge colleges, all whilst raising funds for Arthur Rank Hospice Charity and Romsey Mill. Sign up at arhc.org.uk/SSNW and don't forget three under 16s go free with every paying adult.



Have you visited Arthur's Shed in Cambridge yet?

Arthur's Shed is a (home office style) community space based in the grounds of Arthur Rank Hospice Charity in Cambridge, next to the Babraham Road Park and Ride. From there they run wellbeing-related workshops – from Astronomy, to Laughter sessions to Meditation and more. Sessions are free and open to the public. You don't need a connection to the Charity to join in.



Did you know they now offer this space to local community groups/organisations and individuals in return for a small donation? The Shed holds around 10 people and has AV equipment for virtual meetings or PowerPoints. Tables can also be folded down to create an open space, perfect for yoga, meditation or floor work. The space can also be booked for study/homeschooling or as an art studio. For more information email arthurs.shed@arhc.org.uk or Tel: 01223 675871



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August events at Trumpington Meadows Reserve

(Charges apply. Find the complete list on our website: wildlifebcn.org/events)

Family sessions (Thursdays)

Week 1 10-12ish: bees and bugs
Week 2 10-12ish: dens and sticks
Week 3 11-1ish: bring-your-own-picnic
Week 4 6-8pm-ish: families around the fire

Family session (Saturday)

16 August 10-12ish: moths and bugs

For adults (Saturdays)

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16 August 12.30-1.45pm: Seasonal stroll

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The Wildlife Trust for Beds, Cambs, and Northants is a local wildlife conservation charity aiming to achieve bigger, better, and more joined up habitats for wildlife and people. We do this by working in partnership to conserve and enhance habitats and biodiversity, and through community work, helping people enjoy, understand, and take action for wildlife.

The Chatty Café Scheme

The Chatty Café is at Waitrose Trumpington, every Monday 10am-11.30am.

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HOLIDAY FUN AT THE PAVILION

Join the Trumpington Pavilion team for fun and
activities on the playing field followed by a
free holiday hotdog tea

(vegetarian option available).

*Children will be served ahead of adults



4PM-6PM
*FOOD FROM
5PM

Tues
19
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TRUMPINGTON
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No ticket required.
All children must be supervised by
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It's time for a Macmillan Coffee Morning and you're invited

Let's do whatever it takes to support people living with cancer.

Saturday 27 September
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