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Julie Young Coordinator for this edition

Helen's Letter

John Ch12

Jesus' Triumphal Entry into Jerusalem.

Is the crowd always right?

No, you know, and I know that.

However, a crowd has great power when together.

And a crowd has a way of making heroes and fortunes for those heroes, and a crowd has a way of destroying those heroes.

A big crowd has the power to bestow celebrity.

It's a fine line between a "hero" and "has been".

Being part of the crowd also determines which way we go, because crowds give no power to individuals.

The Jews had come to Jerusalem to celebrate Passover, so it would have been a bit chaotic. The word had spread, and people gathered to celebrate the "triumphal entry" OF Jesus coming into Jerusalem. Shouting "Hosanna" and waving Palm branches. One week before His resurrection marks the start of what is called "Passion Week" the final seven days of Jesus' earthly ministry. Palm Sunday was the "beginning of the end" OF Jesus' work on earth.

Jesus entered the city of Jerusalem and boldly predicted that he would soon be put to death - executed on a cross, like a common criminal, it was probably clear to Jesus' disciples that they anticipated him acting differently. In the days that followed, He threw the moneychangers out of the temple. He predicted the destruction of Jerusalem and its great temple.. He wouldn't let

go in His attack upon the religious leaders. He taught.

He told stories, not like the stories they were used to hearing. Who in the world does He think He is?

So began the most important week of the most important person who ever lived. Nearly 2,000 years later, the events that took place during Jesus's last days still reverberate through the ages.

We all know that whatever Jesus did, his solutions were different. That's why He came riding on a donkey and not a war horse, as He showed the people who He was - the symbol of servanthood.

He was a king all right, but his kingly mission was to give his life for his followers. By using a donkey, Jesus was making a statement. Jesus is the Prince of Peace

His kingdom is a kingdom of peace not a kingdom of war and domination.

How that crowd soon changed by the end of the week shouting "CRUCIFY".

Holy Week is certainly a time for all of us to take our thoughts back to the one who died for us, the pain He bore for our sins, by suffering and hanging on the cross that day.

Saying the words, "Father, forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing."

What Love!!

Prayers & Blessings for a Happy Easter

Helen Oldham

Church Briefing

Benefice Church Services

April 2023

Everyone is Welcomed

Palm Sunday 2nd April

Family Communion

10-30am Coln st Denys

Meeting At Anchor Cottage for Breakfast 9-30am

Good Friday 7th April Easter Walk

10 am Meeting Brew House
Chedworth

Last Hour

2pm Coln st Denys

Easter Sunday 9th April

Holy Communion

10- 30 am Chedworth

Sunday 16th April 2nd Sunday of Easter

Holy Communion

10-30 am Coln Rogers

Sunday 23rd April 3rd Sunday of Easter

Family Communion with Baptism

10-30 am Yanworth

Sunday 30th April 4th Sunday of Easter

Holy communion

10.30 Chedworth

From the Registers

"Nothing in creation can separate us from the love of God".

Funerals

Maurice Hall

1st March at Coln St Denys

David Jenks

10th March at Chedworth

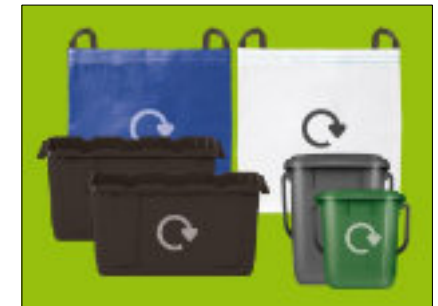
Dates for Your Diary

Date	Time	Event	Venue
01-April	10:00	Church and Churchyard Spring Clean	St Andrew's Church
07-April	10:00	Good Friday Procession	The Brew House, Lower Chedworth
12-April	19:15	WI Meeting - "My Story" Lynne Rixon	Chedworth Village Hall
14-April	19:30	Back Row Club - "Mr Jones"	Chedworth Village Hall
15-April		Village Hall Produce Market	Chedworth Village Hall
17-April	19:30	Parish Council Meeting	St Andrew's School
18-April	19:30	PCC Annual General Meeting	St Andrew's Church
03-May		Chedworth Gardening Club Member's Visit to Brillscote House, Lea, near Malmesbury	
10-May	19:15	WI Meeting - Resolutions	Chedworth Village Hall
13-May	19:30	The Hill & Valley Singers Concert	Cirencester Baptist Church
15-May	19:30	Parish Council Meeting	Chedworth Village Hall
17-May		RBL Talk - Snow Widows by Katherine Macinness	Chedworth Village Hall
20-May		Village Hall Produce Market	Chedworth Village Hall
31-May		Chedworth Gardening Club Member's Visit to Frampton Court Manor	
10-June		Coln Valley Mixed Doubles Tennis Tournament	Tennis Club in Chedworth
14-June		WI Meeting - Garden Party	
17-June		Village Hall Produce Market	Chedworth Village Hall
19-June	19:30	Parish Council Meeting	Chedworth Village Hall
24-Jun	10:00-17:00	Chedworth Open Gardens under National Garden Scheme	Chedworth
24-Jun		Chedworth Garden Club Show	Chedworth
01-July		Village Band/Whisky Chasers Evening and Family Picnic organised by FoStA	Chedworth Playing Field
10-July	19:30	Parish Council Meeting	Chedworth Village Hall
12-July	19:30	WI Meeting - From Lockdown Anxiety to Textile Artist	Chedworth Village Hall
15-July		Village Hall Produce Market	Chedworth Village Hall
28-July		Chedworth Gardening Club Member's Visit to Stanley Hill Flowers near Winchcombe	
09-Aug	19:30	WI Meeting - Carol's Garden Party	
14-Aug	19:30	Parish Council Meeting	Chedworth Village Hall
19-Aug		Village Hall Produce Market	
30-Aug		Chedworth Gardening Club Member's Visit to Moreton Hall Gardens nr Alcester	

Recycling Dates

Domestic Waste & Recycling

Including glass, paper, mixed recycling, cardboard, garden waste, non-recyclable waste, food waste



Chedworth Area, Fossebridge, Yanworth

Tuesday	4	Apr
Tuesday	18	Apr
Tuesday	2	May
Tuesday	16	May
Tuesday	30	May

Coln St Dennis, Coln Rogers

Friday	14	Apr
Friday	28	Apr
Friday	12	May
Friday	26	May
Friday	9	June

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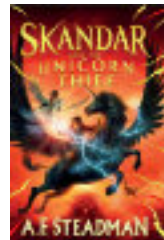
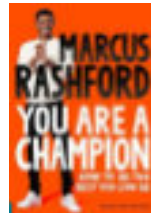
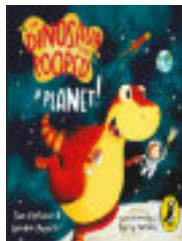
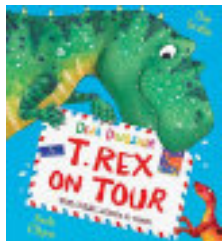
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March has been a busy and creative month in school with plenty going on and we have welcomed some lovely new pupils.

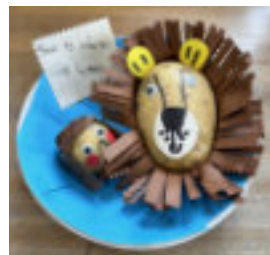
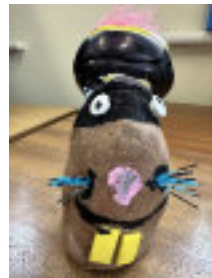
World Book Day

It was wonderful to see all the children fully engaging in the recent World Book Day. It was a fantastic day that helped to raise the profile of reading for pleasure at our school. The children participated in a range of activities including our speedy book recommendation session where children promoted their chosen book.



Potato Character competition winners!

Thunderbolt and Goldfinch were invited to enter a competition to create potato characters! There were some wonderful entries but the school council judged these to be the competition winners. Well done!



Max, Maisie, Logan and Emma were the winners of our 2p coin book cover designs. Here are some below:-

We look forward to warmer days ahead and continuing to make plans for lots more fun events in school during April and May.

*Mrs J Smith
Interim Headteacher*



School Visits

We have spaces still available now in some year groups, so please do contact us to arrange a visit to see the wonderful opportunities St Andrew's can offer your child.

Call us on (01285) 720427 or email admin@st-andrews.gloucs.sch.uk to arrange an appointment.

Find out more about our small, rural primary school here.



Clerk to our Governing Body

We continue to have a vacancy for Clerk to our Governing body. This is a paid role and training support would be given. If this is a role you or someone you know would be interested in, please get in touch with Jennifer Glass our Chair of Governors at chair@st-andrews.gloucs.sch.uk.

St. Andrew's C of E Primary & Preschool

Within Pre-School we have had great fun joining in with **British Science Week**. The children created volcanoes - which were amazing when they erupted!



They also discovered what happens to white flowers when they are placed in coloured water (the children were enthralled by the changing colours); as well as enjoying decorating coffee filter paper, which the children were then able to hone their fine motor skills by practicing using pipettes of water to watch all the colours run. These were transformed into beautiful butterflies once they dried.

In other play, we have been very busy enjoying our fabulous garden, creating areas to encourage wildlife and exploring our wonderful new dig pit. The children have great fun with all the various sized gravel, pebbles and stones and then transporting them with some toy vehicles!

We are also planning on which fruits and vegetables we can grow – we are particularly looking for foods that we can eat for our snacks. We are going to attempt tomatoes, blueberries, raspberries and strawberries, along with some peas and runner beans! We can only hope that the insects stay in the bug hotel and do not dine in our garden too!

Toddlers Stay and Play

Please join us for our toddler 'Stay and Play' group every Thursday at 9am–10.30am, open to all with a child under 5 years old.

£2.50 per family, parents stay and supervise their own children. An excellent opportunity to get them used to the surroundings and meet up with parents and children in the area. Please just sign in at the School Office.

Places now available

We have limited spaces available for children aged from 2 years – we accept all Nursery Education Funding for 2, 3 and 4 year olds along with Tax Free Childcare Scheme – please do call 07840 370220 to book an appointment!

Best Wishes, Sarah Smith (Preschool Manager).

Village Band & Family Picnic

Family Picnic and Music
by
The Village Band/Whisky Chasers
at
Chedworth Playing Field
on
Saturday 1st July
at
7pm
Tickets £12.50 Children Free

More details next month

Organised by FoStA (Friends of St Andrew's Church)



The cafe is popping up every Monday through April- Hope to see you there.

Our lovely organic milk is now supplied by Manor Farm.

You could'nt get more local than that!

10am-1pm every Monday
at Chedworth Village Hall
everyone welcome

Chedworth Parish Council

2023 ELECTIONS

VOTER PHOTO I.D NOW REQUIRED

On Thursday 4 May 2023, elections to Chedworth Parish Council and to Cotswold District Council are taking place. To vote at a polling station, you will need to bring photo ID.

The most common forms of Photo I.D are a UK or Commonwealth Passport

Driving licence (this includes a provisional driving licence)

Older Person's Bus Pass or Disabled Person's Bus Pass

If you don't have any of these you can apply to Electoral Services at Cotswold District Council (01285 623000) for

Councillors

David Broad (Chairman)	01285 720313
Ian Morgan (Vice-Chairman)	01285 720885
George Broad	01285 720313
Tony Kingsley	01285 720743
Alan McLellan	01285 720642
Jeremy Theyer	07765 007129
Andrea Cola	07974 388687

To contact the Council, email the clerk, Elizabeth Broad (chedworthpc@hotmail.co.uk), or call her on 720313, or get in touch with any of the councillors directly.

For more information check out our website chedworthpc.org.uk

either a Voter Authority Certificate or a Postal Vote

The deadline to apply for a Voter Authority Certificate for the elections on 4 May 2023 is 5pm on Tuesday 25 April 2023.

STANDING FOR ELECTION

If anyone is thinking of standing for Chedworth Parish Council at the 4th May election the nomination packs are available from Electoral Services at Cotswold District Council 01285 623000. Candidates must live, and or work and or own property in the Parish and they will need a proposer and seconder and a witness for their signature.

The nomination papers have to be returned to CDC by 4pm on Tuesday 4th April at the latest.

CORONATION WEEKEND

The Parish Council is paying to hire the Village Hall for a live screening of the Coronation procession and service on the Hall's Big Screen from 10 am until 2pm on Saturday 6th May for residents to enjoy and experience the event as a community rather than just watching on TV or Tablet in their own homes. A number of residents have already volunteered to serve refreshments and to operate the projection equipment.

The Council has agreed to fund Commemorative Mugs celebrating the Coronation for pupils of St Andrews School and Pre-School with some also available for sale to other residents. The Council is also making funds available

for the construction of a commemorative wooden bench to be constructed by a local craftsman to mark the occasion.

LITTER PICK

On the Bank Holiday Monday 8th May, the Parish Council is holding a Community Litter Pick based around the Village Hall to coincide with the POP Up Cafe. Alan McLellan is organising the exercise with gloves, grabbers, hi viz, black bags and disposal of the collected rubbish being sourced by CDC.

DARK SKIES

With its commitment to Dark Skies and its previous adoption of a Dark Skies policy, the Parish Council has now agreed to consider applications for small sums of money to go towards the funding of initiatives by parishioners to reduce levels of light pollution from their property. We believe this can be funded from the community infrastructure levy (CIL) which are amounts of money that come when some planning applications are approved. CIL money must be spent by the council within certain timeframes, else it gets returned to CDC. If you are a strong supporter of the Dark Skies concept and wish to reduce your footprint, please get in touch to discuss your project and we will see how we can help.

To promote our Dark Skies and Tranquillity Policy, we bring you April's guide to the night sky around Chedworth. Each night sky object mentioned below

should be visible with the naked eye or binoculars.

This month, Leo dominates the sky in the south and is easy to spot with its distinctive sickle-shaped head or backwards question mark. The bright star Regulus is located in the heart of the constellation. If you go north-east from Regulus you will spot two bright twin stars, Castor and Pollux. Now draw a line from the lower twin (Pollux) back to Regulus. Halfway along this line, slightly closer to Pollux, you will see a lumpy patch of light. This is the Beehive Cluster in the constellation of Cancer. Binoculars should give you a great view of this dense neighbourhood of stars.

Did you spot the Pleiades last month? Between the 9th and 11th of April, the 7 sisters gain a visitor in the form of Venus. Easy to spot, it will easily outshine its hosts.

Finally, the Lyrid meteor shower peaks 22-23 April and should be visible in most directions. Getting away from artificial light and letting your eyes adapt to the darkness will increase your chances of seeing one of those fleeting streaks of light against the vast and infinite expanse of the night sky. More next month.

David Broad



Sadly a rather brief report this month as the committee had to take a pragmatic decision and in view of the dire snow forecast cancel the meeting.

We are all hoping that we will eventually get to hear about the early life of Charlie Chaplin. We missed the

delicious egg sandwiches and other treats that we had been promised! Fortunately, we have the next meeting to look forward to on Wednesday 12th April at the village hall at 7.15pm. The talk is by Lynne Rixon and entitled 'My Life'!

Emma Isaac



"Police? This is St Mary's Ladies' Knitting & Vigilante Circle. We've detained two gents trying to nick the church silver."

Chedworth Gardening Club Trophy Recall

Chedworth Gardening Club Trophy Recall.

Please could all recipients of Trophies awarded in the 2021 Chedworth Horticultural Show ensure you have engraved your name on the trophy if you wish, and clean and return them no later than June 1st of this year. This is to ensure we have them all present and correct ready to award to the Winners of our show, that is to be held on the 24th June 2023. Could all trophies be returned to me at

York House,
Lower Chedworth,
Cheltenham,
GL54 4AN

Any problems please contact me on
jrabbit_24@hotmail.co.uk

Many thanks to all

Jessica Hope
(Chedworth Gardening Club Show Secretary)

Miscellaneous observations on daily life

You can learn many things from children. How much patience you have, for instance.

If you think nobody cares whether you're alive or dead, try missing a couple of mortgage payments.

In order to keep a true perspective of one's importance, everyone should have a dog to worship him and a cat to ignore him.

The biggest lie I tell myself is "I don't need to write that down, I'll remember it."

Marathon runners with bad footwear suffer the agony of defeat.

Getting older is just one body part after another saying, 'Ha ha, you think that's bad? Watch this!'

The good thing about becoming forgetful is that you can hide your own Easter eggs.

Dial

They have Dial-a-Prayer for atheists now.

You call up, and it rings and rings but nobody answers.

The Hill & Valley Singers

Come & support The Hill & Valley Singers in a good cause

We are holding our first concert since 2019 in celebration of the King's Coronation. It is going to be held in a very different venue in order to raise as much as possible for the local branch of Parkinson's UK. We have hired the auditorium in Cirencester Baptist Church which can hold up to several hundred people and we need your

support. All the profits will go to the charity so the more tickets we sell, the more we raise! Come and join us for a varied selection of music from both the Singers and our guests which includes solo instrumentalists and the Stroud Choral Youth Choir. Tickets £12 (same price as 2019, children free) available from Neil Irving 01285 720403 or a member of the Singers, and on the door. Drinks & canapés included.

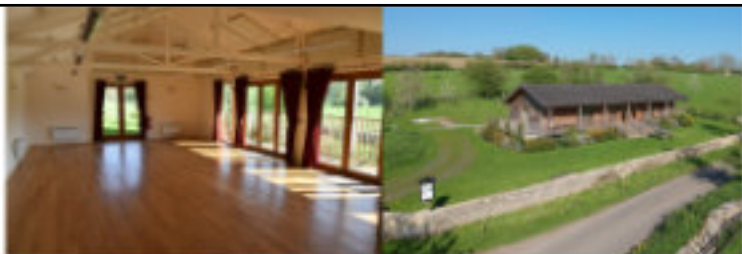
Sue Nashe

Sea of Galilee

A vicar planning an Easter pilgrimage to the Holy Land was shaken when he found it would cost him £50 an hour to rent a boat on the Sea of Galilee.

He protested to the travel agent that the cost was ridiculous. "That might be true," replied the travel agent, "but you have to take into account that the Sea of Galilee is water on which our Lord Himself walked."

"Well," said the vicar, "at £50 an hour for a boat, I am not surprised!"



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and Guests invite you to a . . .

Concert

in Celebration of

The King's  Coronation

Saturday

13th May 7.30pm

Cirencester Baptist Church

In support of

**Cirencester & Stroud Branch
of Parkinson's UK**

**Tickets £12 (children free) available from
Neil Irving 01285 720403 or any of the Singers & on the door.
Drinks & Canapés included**

Ukraine Appeal Update

Update from Will Blackburn regarding recent deliveries to Ukraine of donations received from the villages of Chedworth, Colesborne and Woodmancote –

‘We have just returned from Ukraine having successfully delivered all the wonderful donations from the people of Chedworth. You have done yourselves proud.

I wish I could convey just how grateful and deeply moved the people were to receive such support from so far away. The name of ‘Chedworth’ is now known in Ukraine!

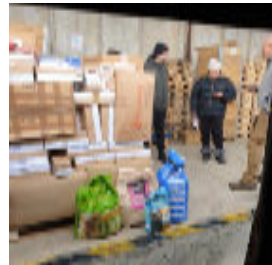
I have taken some photographs in Ukraine showing our work delivering the donations –



One of our delivery vans (a.k.a. “The Green Hornet”)



Sunset on the road



Deliveries being palletized up in Ukraine – N.B front and centre Chedworth donated Dog and Cat food

To Alan McLellan and the team at the Chedworth Pop Up Café –

A massive thank you for that hugely generous donation of money collected in the Café. It made all the difference at the beginning of this month (February) when driving around the UK.

The amount you all collected of £248.50 enabled us to fuel the collection of nearly 800Kg of donations from Dover, Taunton, Cheltenham, Stockport, Glasgow, Glenrothes, Kelso and back down to Cheltenham again.

You have all been amazing!

Chedworth will forever be in the hearts of many people across Ukraine because of the huge generosity you have shown.

Thank you!



Team photo

Will Blackburn and team

Chedworth Guides and Brownies

Girls can do anything.

Chedworth Guides conquered their fears on a visit to Far Peak climbing centre recently – it was a cold evening to be climbing outside but everyone got much further up the tower than they had thought that would (despite some freezing fingers) while being cheered on by their Guiding friends below.

In February it was Thinking Day, a day when Guides think about what it means to be part of Girl Guiding and the 300,000 girls who are members in the UK and the 10 million in 150 and countries around the world. The girls are discovering that there is something very special about meeting someone for the first time and discovering that they are part of Guiding too - we have girls from six different schools in our unit!

The Guides have been working hard on their ‘Communicate badge’ on the theme of ‘Express Yourself’ – lots of acting, jokes, miming, models, some new crafts, sign language and some very, very noisy games. We are all looking forward to next term when we



can get back outside, and especially to joining the area’s camping and challenge weekend for Guides from lots of different units for the first time.

You might have spotted that our logo, the trefoil that has been the symbol of the three most important aspects of Guiding for 100 years (self development, serving others and keeping the Guide law) has had an update. According to one of our girls ‘it’s a modernised representation of our traditional Guiding values’.

Guides is for girls from 10 - 14 years old and is the biggest organisation for girls in the UK. Chedworth Guides meet weekly during term time, if you would like to find out more please visit www.girlguiding.org.uk. or email Alice at aj.george@btinternet.com.

Alice George



Hike for Home - Start Cotswolds

On the morning of **Wednesday 3rd May 2023**, why not spend an enjoyable couple of hours walking through the beautiful countryside of the Coln Valley, in aid of family support charity Home-Start Cotswolds?

The circular walk starts and finishes at Cripps Barn, near Bibury (GL7 5BA) and takes in the pretty village of Winson. There are no steep hills and with the kind permission of local landowners, the walk includes land not usually accessible to the public – an ‘exclusive’ on some lovely views!

After building up an appetite, you can stay on for a delicious two-course lunch cooked by the chefs at Cripps Barn (lunch places are limited so please

check availability on the Home-Start Cotswolds website below).

Tickets are £15 for the walk only (including refreshments) and £30 for the walk with lunch. All proceeds will go towards supporting families in the Cotswolds with young children, who are going through difficult times. Everyone is welcome, including dogs on leads and there is free parking.

For more information and to book, please visit www.home-start-cotswolds.org.uk and go to the ‘News’ tab. Alternatively you can scan the QR code below on your smartphone camera, or call 01285 885391.



Back Row Club at the Village Hall

Palm Sunday visit

It was Palm Sunday, but because of a sore throat, five-year-old Bobby was kept home from church with his grannie. When the family returned home, they were carrying several palm fronds and Bobby asked them what they were for. “People held them over Jesus’ head as He walked by,” his father explained.

Bobby was aghast. “I don’t believe it! The one Sunday I don’t go, and He shows up!”

Your Gardening Tips for April

It does now feel that spring is here and the daffodils and crocuses although held back by the cold weather are beginning to show well, and it is time for tulips for colour and daphne and lily of the valley to provide scent for our gardens.

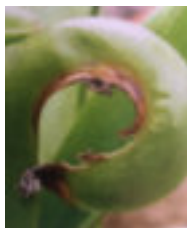


Tulip Diseases (Repeated from last year)

- **Tulip Fire.** Leaves emerge distorted and brown spots of dead tissue develop looking like fire scorch. Spots grow on stems and flowers and in damp conditions fuzzy grey mold develops and flowers rot rapidly. No fungicides are available to home gardeners so remove and destroy infected plants and avoid planting again in infected soil for three years.
- **Tulip Grey Bulb Rot.** Fungus present on bulbs germinate infecting the neck and working downwards. Foliage may fail to emerge or leaves are distorted similar to Fire but without fuzzy growth. There are fungal controls so dig up and destroy and avoid planting in infected area again for five years.



- **Tulip Leaf Spot.** Small brown scars on young leaves causing leaves to curl. Remove affected leaves and reduce humidity around the foliage if possible. Severely affected bulbs should be burnt.
- To avoid these problems, buy large healthy bulbs from a reputable supplier and discard any with scabby spots, mould or bruising.
- Protect fruit blossom from late frosts.
- **'Tulip Crunch and Crocus Nibbles'.** If your tulips and crocuses are being eaten by muntjac or squirrels it is worth spraying with 'Gazer' deterrent from a garden centre or on line. Last year many of us lost all our crocuses to squirrels, so now is the time to act!
- Pinch off old flower heads from spring flowering bulbs that are going over but allow to die back before trimming or mowing so that the bulbs retain as much energy as possible.
- Tie in climbing and rambling roses and climbing plants such as clematis and honeysuckle. Climbing roses will flower better if trained to grow horizontally. The hormones are normally concentrated at the tip of the plant, but if spread equally along the stem, each bud will be encouraged to grow a leaf and eventually a flower.
- Plants that benefit from regular clipping often with shears are box,



yew, hebe, lonicera and pittosporum, which as well as restricting size can produce new colour in the foliage.

- Slightly tender plants such as penstemons and lavender can be pruned, cutting just above fresh new shoots.
- **Spring Flowering Shrubs.** These six will give your garden some spring contrast. Snowy Mespilus (white), Flowering Currant (white or pink), Guelder Rose (white),



Physocarpus opulifolius 'Diablo' (pinky white flowers and deep burgundy foliage), Spirea thumbergii (white) and of course, Hazel with its yellow catkins.

- Sweet peas can be sown outside when the ground has warmed up. Protect from mice!!
- Herbaceous perennials such as Geranium can be divided and planted outside in well prepared soil.
- Put supports in for perennials before they grow too large.
- Loosen any tree ties that are biting into the bark, and feed trees shrubs and hedges, with a balanced fertilizer, then mulch.
- Sow hardy annuals and herb seeds, and plant out plugs already started off under cover.
- Increase water to house plants, and if you have any citrus plants, now

is the time to start giving them high nitrogen or proprietary summer feed.

- If not done in late March, sow grass seed over bare patches and apply lawn feed and weed control.
- Keep an eye out for aphids and remove by hand as soon as spotted.
- Keep weeds under control as they will want to be growing vigorously.
- There is still time to sow an annual wild-flower meadow or corner.
- Cover ground to be sown with a membrane to help warm up the soil. Ready for sowing seeds, but also try sowing some quick maturing root crops such as radishes, spring onions and baby beetroot.
- Brassicas can be sown outside, but it may be better to start them off in the greenhouse.
- Do not forget to rotate your crops around the vegetable patch if you can. If not make plans to sow green manure in the autumn
- Use your compost straight away as if left in the bag for too long it will degrade as the microbes start to break down the organic material and consume the available nitrogen.

*Simon Colbeck
Chairman Chedworth & District
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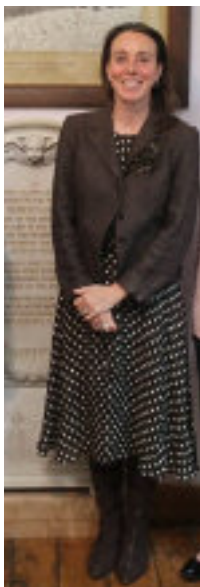
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Her book 'The Snow Widows' will be available to purchase on the night.

Simon Colbeck
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Out West

A devout cowboy lost his Bible while he was mending fences out on the range. Three weeks later a cow walked up to him, carrying the Bible in its mouth. The cowboy couldn't believe his eyes. He took the book out of the cow's mouth and exclaimed, "It's a miracle!"

"Well, hardly that," said the cow. "Your name was written inside the cover."



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CLUB NEWS

The new season is getting underway, albeit with some weather hiccups; we held our Open morning with coffee & croissants on



11th March which was a jolly and social start to the new spring season, and happily the weather 'played ball' allowing some games to be played. As you'll see we have several activities planned for all levels of ability and experience, we hope you'll come and enjoy a game and a chat at the club, all are welcome

to give the club a try for three sessions before joining. Do get in touch for a chat and discuss how we can support your ambitions for the 2023 season at hillandvalleylta@gmail.com

Robert Baker, Chair

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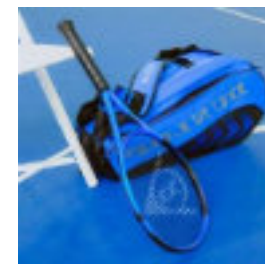
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Shakespeare's Early Life

Shakespeare was the son of John Shakespeare, an alderman and a successful glover (glove-maker) originally from Snitterfield in Warwickshire, and Mary Arden, the daughter of an affluent landowning family. He was born in Stratford-upon-Avon, where he was baptised on 26 April 1564.

His date of birth is unknown, but is traditionally observed on 23 April, Saint George's Day. This date, which can be traced to William Oldys and George Steevens, has proved appealing to biographers because Shakespeare died on the same date in 1616. He was the third of eight children, and the eldest surviving son.

John Shakespeare's house, believed to be Shakespeare's birthplace, in Stratford-upon-Avon

Although no attendance records for the period survive, most biographers agree that Shakespeare was probably educated at the King's New School in Stratford, a free school chartered in 1553, about a quarter-mile (400 m) from his home. Grammar schools varied in quality during the Elizabethan era, but grammar school curricula were largely similar: the basic Latin text was standardised by royal decree, and the school would have provided an intensive education in grammar based upon Latin classical authors.

At the age of 18, Shakespeare married 26-year-old Anne Hathaway. The consistory court of the Diocese of Worcester issued a marriage licence on



27 November 1582. The next day, two of Hathaway's neighbours posted bonds guaranteeing that no lawful claims impeded the marriage. The ceremony may have been arranged in some haste since the Worcester chancellor allowed the marriage banns to be read once instead of the usual three times, and six months after the marriage Anne gave birth to a daughter, Susanna, baptised 26 May 1583. Twins, son Hamnet and daughter Judith, followed almost two years later and were baptised 2 February 1585. Hamnet died of unknown causes at the age of 11 and was buried 11 August 1596.



Shakespeare's coat of arms, from the 1602 book *The book of coates and creasts. Promptuarium armorum*. It features spears as a pun on the family name.

After the birth of the twins, Shakespeare left few historical traces until he is mentioned as part of the

Shakespeare's Early Life

London theatre scene in 1592. The exception is the appearance of his name in the "complaints bill" of a law case before the Queen's Bench court at Westminster dated Michaelmas Term 1588 and 9 October 1589. Scholars refer to the years between 1585 and 1592 as Shakespeare's "lost years". Biographers attempting to account for this period have reported many apocryphal stories. Nicholas Rowe, Shakespeare's first biographer, recounted a Stratford legend that Shakespeare fled the town for London to escape prosecution for deer poaching in the estate of local squire Thomas Lucy. Shakespeare is also supposed to have taken his revenge on

Lucy by writing a scurrilous ballad about him. Another 18th-century story has Shakespeare starting his theatrical career minding the horses of theatre patrons in London. John Aubrey reported that Shakespeare had been a country schoolmaster. Some 20th-century scholars suggested that Shakespeare may have been employed as a schoolmaster by Alexander Hoghton of Lancashire, a Catholic landowner who named a certain "William Shakeshafte" in his will. Little evidence substantiates such stories other than hearsay collected after his death, and Shakeshafte was a common name in the Lancashire area.



Among their demands were bourbon biscuits, double fees for weddings, and Sundays off

April 23rd - St George of the Golden Legend



The Saint of an English Army before he was Patron Saint of England, St George may have been a soldier, but he was no Englishman. Some stories say that he was an officer in the Roman army under Diocletian, who refused to abandon his faith during the Terror, and was martyred at Lydda in Palestine about the year 300 AD – supposedly 23rd April. Over the years St George became the example of a Christian fighting-man, a powerful helper against evil powers affecting individual lives. He was the soldier-hero of the Middle Ages, of whom remarkable deeds were reported.

In the Golden Legend of the 13th century, Jacobus de Voragine gave St George a handsome write-up. The story runs thus:

One day, St George rode up to the heathen city of Sylene in Lybya where he found the citizens in great distress. A neighbouring dragon had forced them to surrender two sheep each day for its dinner, and when the sheep gave out, two of their children; and now they were about to sacrifice the King's daughter, dressed as if for her wedding. St George encountered the little party

by a stagnant lake, where the dragon lived, and persuaded the sobbing Princess to tell him why she was so miserable. At that moment the dragon appeared, looking inexpressibly revolting. St George charged forwards and drove his spear into the dragon's gaping mouth. To everyone's amazement, he tumbled the monster over and over.

Then St George borrowed the Princess's girdle, tied it round the dragon's neck, and persuaded her to lead it back to Sylene herself. The sight of her approaching with the befuddled dragon on its makeshift lead emptied the town. When the inhabitants timidly crept back, St George promised to behead the dragon if they would all believe in Jesus Christ and be baptised.

It was a most effective form of evangelism, for everybody said 'yes' at once. So, 15,000 people were baptised, and four carts were commissioned to remove the dragon's body.

St George thus became a symbol of the war against evil, and he is usually portrayed trampling the dragon of sin under his horse's hoofs. The Crusaders had a vision of him helping them against the Saracens at Antioch, during the first Crusade, and so brought the story of St George back with them from Palestine. Presently England put herself under the protection of the Saint. His day was declared a holiday in 1222. A red cross on a white field is the flag of St George.

History of the Chedworth Benifice

In the Anglican Church a benefice is an ecclesiastical office carrying certain duties. An incumbent's benefice is therefore not a geographical area (Parish) but the office to which the incumbent is appointed and may comprise one or more parishes. A benefice may be a rectory or a vicarage from which the incumbent is called rector or vicar.

The Chedworth Benefice is an amalgamation of several parishes over the years reflecting two reorganisations of livings by the Diocese of Gloucester in the light of declining clergy numbers and congregations with the inevitable sale of surplus rectories.

The Chedworth Benefice comprises 10,256 acres - approximately 16 square miles, a large area to be covered by an incumbent with the assistance of the Local Ministry Team! The first incumbent

of the new Benefice was Canon Arthur Dodds who was full time and paid by the Diocese. Following his retirement

in 1984 , subsequent rectors have been appointed on an unpaid house for duty basis living in Chedworth Rectory and required to be available for three days a week for church and pastoral care. In

practice, the duties inevitably require considerably more time. Following the retirement of the Reverend Stephen Goundrey-Smith in 2021 there has been a vacancy with a reduced range of

services organised by the church wardens, taken by mostly retired clergy assisted by the Local Ministry Team. This places a considerable responsibility on the church wardens and lay volunteers, which is not fully appreciated by the Diocese.

The post was initially advertised by the Diocese last year and again in February, but there were no applications. The post will again be advertised in June. The church wardens and parishes await the outcome with understandable concern that a suitable candidate is forthcoming without undue delay

Robert & Julie Young



Parish	Date added	Acres
Chedworth		4,781
Stowell & Yanworth	1964	2,112
Coln Rogers & Coln St Dennis	1975	3,363

9th April Easter

EASTER, the most joyful day of the year

Easter is the most joyful day of the year for Christians. Christ has died for our sins. We are forgiven. Christ has risen! We are redeemed! We can look forward to an eternity in His joy! Hallelujah!

The Good News of Jesus Christ is a message so simple that you can explain it to someone in a few minutes. It is so profound that for the rest of their lives they will still be 'growing' in their Christian walk with God.

Why does the date move around so much? Because the date of Passover moves around, and according to the biblical account, Easter is tied to the Passover. Passover celebrates the Israelites' exodus from Egypt, and it lasts for seven days, from the middle of the Hebrew month of Nisan, which equates to late March or early April.

Sir Isaac Newton was one of the first to use the Hebrew lunar calendar to come up with firm dates for the first Good Friday: Friday 7th April 30 AD or Friday 3rd April, 33 AD with Easter Day falling two days later. Modern scholars continue to think these two Fridays to be the most likely.

Most people will tell you that Easter falls on the first Sunday after the first full moon after the Spring Equinox, which is broadly true. But the precise calculations are complicated and involve something called an 'ecclesiastical full moon', which is not

the same as the moon in the sky. The earliest possible date for Easter in the West is 22nd March, which last fell in 1818. The latest is 25th April, which last happened in 1943.

Why the name, 'Easter'? In almost every European language, the festival's name comes from 'Pesach', the Hebrew word for Passover. The Germanic word 'Easter', however, seems to come from *Eostre*, a Saxon fertility goddess mentioned by the Venerable Bede. He thought that the Saxons worshipped her in 'Eostur month,' but may have confused her with the classical dawn goddesses like *Eos* and *Aurora*, whose names mean 'shining in the east'. So, Easter might have meant simply 'beginning month' – a good time for starting up again after a long winter.

Finally, why Easter eggs? On one hand, they are an ancient symbol of birth in most European cultures. On the other hand, hens start laying regularly again each Spring. Since eggs were forbidden during Lent, it's easy to see how decorating and eating them became a practical way to celebrate Easter.



1st April - All Fools Day

In years gone by, the rules surrounding April Fool were this: between midnight and noon on 1st April, everyone is 'fair game' to be made a fool of. It is the morning of the practical joke. But the aim is not just to discomfort the victim: he must be tricked into taking action himself, sent on a 'fool's errand'.

And so children would be sent to the dairy for a pint of dove's milk, or to the bookseller for *The Life of Eve's Mother*. Practical jokes on a bigger scale were played: in 1860 a vast number of people received an official looking invitation to the Tower of London that read: 'Admit the Bearer and Friends to view the Annual Ceremony of Washing the White Lions.' Precisely the same trick had been played in 1698.

Then, on the stroke of noon, tradition decrees, April Fools is finished. If anyone attempts devilry thereafter, even while the clock is still striking, it recoils on his own head. A child would then race through the sing-song formula: 'April-Fool-Day's-past-and-gone-you're-the-fool-and-I-am-none!'

Probably the most famous April Fool's joke of all time was the 1960's BBC TV broadcast feature on the spaghetti farms of Italy. A BBC reporter interviewed Italian farmers about their work and the progress of the spaghetti

plants in great detail. Spaghetti plants were filmed being carefully planted, and then being harvested. And all in the BBC's most serious documentary manner. It took a while to appreciate that this was Auntie playing games. Whatever next!

The odd thing is that no one is quite sure of the origin of this very British tradition. Most attribute it to changes in Britain's calendar in the 1700s, when New Year's Day moved from 25th March to 1st January. Not surprisingly, the change caused a lot of confusion and mistakes around the start of April. Others look even further back, to the ancient Roman feast of Hilaria, when the goddess Cybele was celebrated with pranks and jokes around the Spring Equinox, 25th March.



Photograph of a Woman harvesting Spaghetti



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The Chedworth Pansy

Next time you are passing Gloucester be sure to visit Pansy the pig who resides in The Folk of Glos Museum. "The Chedworth Pansy" is a Gloucester Old Spot pig, once a threatened rare breed, but saved by the focus of John Green of Manor Farm, Chedworth and his erstwhile Farm Manager, Percy Voaden. Pansy was born at Manor Farm in 1945 and won 3rd prize at the Bath and West Show 1947. She was killed stuffed and donated to the museum in 1951 at a cost of £56.16.6d.

The breed was valued as an orchard pig eating up all the fallen apples which enhanced the flavor of the meat. Percy was proud of his pig rearing skills and travelled widely to agricultural shows with his pigs being helped by his 2 sons, Cecil and Maurice Voaden. Maurice recalls happy trips to various shows when Percy would enjoy the cider tent and they would all retire for the night to share the trailer sharing with the pigs. No doubt it was warm enough but perhaps rather aromatic. There was one less successful trip: a long journey to a show in Earls' Court was followed by an immediate return due to an outbreak of foot and mouth. Percy had many happy tales of trips over to Withington in his Land-rover to visit the Kings Head and the Landlord "Apple Williams". Perhaps both Pansy and Percy enjoyed the products of the Kings Head orchard!

The local connection to Chedworth continues down the generations as Seth Bye, a folk musician born locally is Percy's Great Grandson.

Seth's Grandfather was Alf Carman,

who grew up at Emma's Cottage, Bleakmoor, Chedworth. Alf was a bus driver for Harvey's coaches and a local publican. Some Chedworth residents remember Alf driving them to school. For a short time Seth lived at Emma's Cottage, after summer season playing with Giffords Circus and before a spell performing on the Queen Mary and at the Commonwealth Games Opening Ceremony.

Seth has also found a Folk song called "The Butterfly" in the National Folk Music collection at Cecil Sharpe House, London. This tune was first discovered in 1949, being played by Caleb Lawrence, a Chedworth Carpenter / Hurdle maker. Caleb's nephew was Jack Lawrence, who is still be remembered by some Chedworth residents for his work in the village.

Seth's adaption of The Butterfly was heard at Chedworth Village Hall on 25th March when Filkins Drift performed it along with other local history and tunes.

Please go and visit Pansy to support the The Folk in Gloucester www.thefolkofgloucester.co.uk but do check opening time and that Pansy has not gone off for her upcoming makeover.

Myra Bye



Photograph of Chedworth by Simon Colbeck

Uncle Eustace

Beware when the choirs meet

The Rectory
St James the Least

My dear Nephew Darren

You agonised recently over your ecumenical service: who should be invited? Who should preach? What about the order of service? If you had attended our recent combined churches' choir festival, your own dilemmas would have seemed a little less acute.

At the pre-meeting, there was heated discussion about whether those choirs who normally wore robes would be comfortable standing among those who didn't. The more aesthetically sensitive worried whether St Agatha's pea green cassocks may clash with our red ones. Intending to be helpful, but phrasing it rather badly, someone suggested that the normally robed choirs should wear nothing. Colonel Wainwright was a little too quick to chuckle.

I began to wonder if a prize was to be awarded to the person who raised the greatest number of concerns: Should the choirs stay separate? Would the tenors be next to the altos or the basses? Where would extra seating be placed? Would the heating be on for the rehearsal? Then came what you would call the 'elephant in the room': of all the choirmasters, *who would conduct and who play the organ?* Tension mounted, and expressions grew grim. But before the committee started to dig trenches in my carpet and position howitzers under the desk, I briefly left the room, turned off all the electricity and claimed we'd had a power cut. This



is a useful device for truculent committees; sadly, it can be used only rarely.

Come the day, an uneasy truce lasted while everyone adopted the traditional solution to disagreement within congregations, and simply did exactly what they wanted. Some were robed, some were not, some choirs congealed in their own huddles, while others joyfully sat next to people from other churches – mainly so they could point out their neighbour's wrong notes. Some sang in the right key, some sang in the wrong key, some sang what sounded like quite different songs altogether.

The service ended with one choir thinking that the organist had played too loudly, while another choir thought that the conductor wasn't up to much. Everyone agreed afterwards that we must do it again, while firmly stating that if their own choirmaster didn't conduct next year, they wouldn't be there.

Thankfully, one fundamental thing on the day united them: they all said that our church was too cold, and they all went down to the pub afterwards to warm up.

Your loving uncle, Eustace



Photographs of Red Kites by Carol Bailey



Photographs of deer in the mist by Carol Bailey

For MPs only

At the Pearly Gates, St Peter greeted a minister and a Member of Parliament and gave them their room keys. "Vicar, here are the keys to one of our nicest single rooms. And for you, Mr MP, the keys to our finest penthouse suite." When the vicar protested that this was unfair, St Peter explained: "Look, ministers are a ten a penny up here, but this is the first politician we've ever seen."

Heaven

An exasperated mother, whose son was always getting into mischief, finally asked him, "How do you expect to get into Heaven?"

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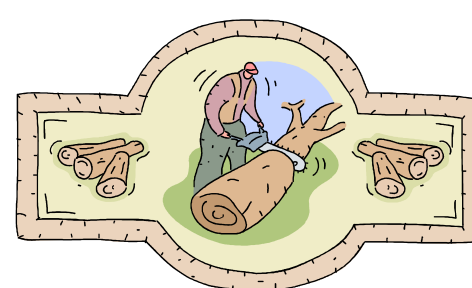
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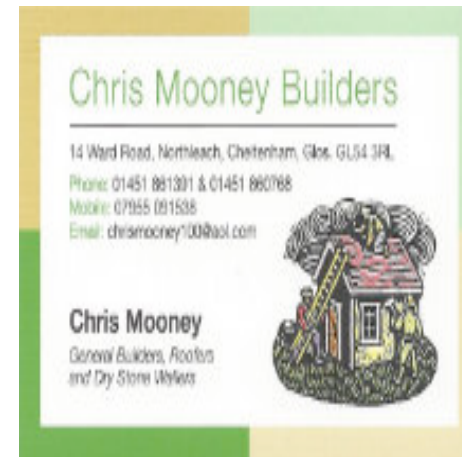
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