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### **VILLAGE NOTICES - UPDATES & ISSUES**

### Skate/BMX/MTB Park Update

I'm pleased to say the initial get-together to discuss a Skate/BMX/MTB park was a great success with about 20 present.

In a matter of an hour or so we formed a working group, Facebook (Papworth skate park) and Instagram accounts, identified some preferred designs and some potential funding streams.

We'll be meeting on the second Saturday afternoon of every month. Come and join us for our next meetup in the Courtyard café at 3pm on Saturday 15th February.

Yours - Steve Fenton

### **Monthly Quiz Night**

There is a Monthly Quiz Night at the Courtyard, which has been running since October and these will be ongoing, throughout 2020. The Quiz Night is on a Tuesday night and the dates are yet to be confirmed.

Anyone interested can pop in and buy a ticket, or check the Courtyard page on facebook regularly.

There are prizes each month, food available and entry money goes to charity.

Please come along and have an enjoyable evening.

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### Papworth Everard Parish Council Report

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## **Greater Cambridge Local Plan: The First Conversation**

The new Local Plan is the most important document you've (probably) never heard of.

It will affect how we live, work and play in Greater Cambridge over the next 20 years and beyond.

This is the start of a big conversation about how we want our area to change, and we hope you will all share your ideas.

Ever walked past a building and wondered how it got planning permission? Worried about climate change and how we are going to adapt? Trying to buy a house and finding it really difficult?

The Council's Local Plan is the document that shapes our area's future and answers these big questions. It covers the key themes of climate change, biodiversity and green spaces, wellbeing and social inclusion, and great places. It will affect what kind of new homes get built and where, where businesses can grow and how buildings, streets and spaces should be designed. As a result, the Local Plan affects all of us – yet most people have never even heard of it.

## But things are changing and you can be a part of it.

For the first time ever, Cambridge City Council and South Cambridgeshire District Council are preparing a joint Local Plan for the Greater Cambridge area (Cambridge and South Cambs) - and this time they want to do better than ever before at working with you all to make it happen.

They will be starting a big conversation with the community, with many different ways to get involved, online and offline, and sixweek consultation as part of the first steps to create the Greater Cambridge Local Plan has begun.

The consultation, officially titled 'Issues and Options', runs until 5pm on Monday 24 February 2020. It is expected to take around four years to create the next Local Plan and this first conversation is the first step to help local people get involved the whole way through.

It will cover how we live, work and play in Greater Cambridge in the decades ahead and has been divided into 4 big themes:

Climate change – how the plan should contribute to achieving net zero carbon and the mitigation and adaptation measures that should be required through developments.

Biodiversity and green spaces – how the plan can contribute to our 'doubling nature' vision, the improvement of existing and creation of new green spaces.

Wellbeing and social inclusion – how the plan can help spread the benefits of growth, helping to create healthy and inclusive communities.

Great places – how the plan can protect what is already great about the area, and design new developments to create special places and spaces.

These themes are initial suggestions and the Council want to hear your views on whether this is the right way to approach meeting our needs for homes, jobs and infrastructure in the new Plan.

For more information or to submit your comments and ideas visit https://www.greatercambridgeplanning.org/greater-cambridge-local-plan/

Help shape our future together!

### **New Councillor**

We would like to welcome Terry Cook to the Parish Council.

Terry is a relatively new resident in the village but brings with him a wealth of experience, having sat on both Parish and Community Councils in other locations. We are sure he will be a great asset as a Parish Councillor.

The Parish Council is now operating with its full complement of 13 Councillors.

### **Bus stop**

Finally, after delays caused by having to sort out insurance liability and the shelter being made to order, the replacement bus shelter in Ermine Street North has been installed.





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## *'Luftwaffe six zero aircraft at two one'* **The Day Centre Operations Room**



The photograph shows the Day Centre's re-enactment of the RAF Battle of Britain Operations Room in commemoration of its 80th anniversary year. (Not really, it's a large game of snakes and ladders using a wooden pusher made by our woodwork expert, Ken.) This game is the level of silliness you can expect at the day centre, so come along for some

We are very lucky to have monthly visits from lay preacher David Potter, with Bible readings and hymns accompanied by his wife on the piano.

We are very sorry that Peter Smith, a longstanding visitor to the Day Centre is currently not able to attend and we all wish him well.

On the 21st of January we welcomed back Clive Baker who had been absent for a few weeks.

The price is £13 per day including tea and coffee and a delicious 2 course meal cooked by our resident chef, Jane.

We meet every Tuesday from 10am until 3pm in The Community Centre, The Close, Papworth Everard. The centre is fully wheelchair accessible. Transport is available in certain cases.

So, are you a Senior Citizen fed up with all the dreadful world events, tedious politics and adverts on the telly? Why not take a break from it and enjoy the day with us? We are the perfect antidote to a fast-changing world. You will enjoy our slow pace and we do mean slow.

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### **RSPB** - Hope Farm

CUTTING EDGE - MANAGING HEDGEROWS AT HOPE FARM

This time of year, is the time to talk about hedgerows. It is when the farmers are busy out with the flail along farm tracks, and it is when hedge laying is also in full swing for those still taking up the ancient craft. Paul Cabrisy, a research placement student at Hope Farm, talks about the importance of hedgerows on the farm, why we manage them (other than to keep things tidy!), and what we do at Hope Farm.

### THE IMPORTANCE OF HEDGEROWS.

Hedgerows are one of the most important habitats for farmland wildlife. In the UK, over 600 plants, 1500 insects, 65 birds and 20 mammals are known to live or feed in hedges. They provide nesting habitats for many species of farmland birds that nest in field boundaries like yellowhammers, linnet, whitethroat, grey partridge, and other species like owls, starlings that we find out on the farm.

Hedges are a source of valuable food, particularly over winter by providing berry fruits and seeds. Hedges can act as a fundamental wildlife corridor, to facilitate the movement of less mobile species across farmed landscape, between woodland blocks.





## VARRIER JONES SOCIAL CLUB

Nothing much to report for this month as we have not had our first meeting for this new year, going to press before the first date. After a very successful last year which included very varied talks, entertainments and of course food, we are hoping to continue to grow which allows us to do more in our meetings.

Our Entertainment Officer, Jennie, has been very busy putting together the programme for this year and hopes to have the Booklet back from the printers shortly. She is in the process of booking a show for later in the year and the destination for an outing is now under discussion. Any thoughts, suggestions are always welcome.

We are always looking to make new friends so why not come and join us? Make some new friends or catch up with some old ones for an afternoon of entertainment and chat. Meetings are held on the first Friday of each month. Start time is 1.30pm in The Studio, Pendrill Court. Admission is £3 for Members, £4 for Visitors. The Annual Membership is only £5. Where else could you get anything like this for the price?

Not only essential for birds, hedgerows are good for so much other wildlife. Hedgerows on a farm can become foraging sites for bats. They also provide a cover for small mammals, reptiles and amphibians. Hedges produce pollen and nectar in late autumn as well as an abundance of invertebrates that feed chicks and other animals. In winter, hedgerows are important habitats to many inverts too.

Another importance of the hedges are their physical properties as they can prevent soil erosion and store carbon using nature. Having hedges on a farm can be good way to mitigate some of the greenhouse gases produced on farm.

### So WHY MANAGE A HEDGEROW?

A first key to a good hedge management is to allow natural variation and to let it get a bit messy! This is important in order to support greater diversity of wildlife and is mainly because animals like birds have different habitat preferences between species.

But why manage the field hedges in the first place? In fact, hedgerows need to be managed as the shrubs will eventually grow into trees and trimming is the easiest way to keep the structure of the hedge. The hedge's response to being cut is to produce new shoots that will develop into branches and done correctly, can make the branches become denser over time.

Later in winter is the best time for hedge cutting on the farm. This is when birds won't be disturbed from breeding that is soon underway. It also means that plant growth will soon start after cutting, reducing the potential for disease to impact the hedgerow's health. Both at Hope Farm and all around Elsworth, hedges are being managed and prepared for the season ahead.

#### HOPE FARM.

At Hope Farm, we have just over 5 miles of hedgerows bordering fields across it's 450 acres. Other features can be found along the hedgerows such as grass margins, flower margins, ditches and patches of woodland to make sure we have food nearby nesting habitats in the summer too.

We manage our hedgerows to improve their value for birds by providing suitable nesting and foraging habitats. Hedges are cut once every three years and on a rotation between fields. This allows the hedge plants to produce more food berries than those cut on an annual basis. Having this rotational cutting also avoids putting undue stress and keeps the hedges healthier for longer.

Thanks to the help from the local Cambridge Conservation Volunteers, we also lay about 50m of hedge each year which does a fantastic job of keeping vegetation thick at the bottom of the hedge. You can see where they have been hard at work all along our footpaths so keep an eye out.

With our hedgerow management and other conservation work on the farm, our farmland breeding bird index is now 185% above baseline with populations that have been stable over the past 10 years.





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23 Feb	10.30	<b>Holy Communion</b>
1 March	10.30	Morning Prayer
8 March	10.30	Holy Communion

## Roman Catholic Mass

(Latin Rite)

Saturday Evenings at 6pm Syro-Malabar Rite 2nd Friday at 6pm and 4th Sunday at 3.00 pm

St Peter's Church - Church Lane



## Looking Back . . . . . Looking Forward

I am thinking back to the holiday we took in January last year – to eastern Canada. A trip of a lifetime, some 'bucket-list' items fulfilled, wonderful memories and, yes it was VERY cold! Every year is different and now we are in a new decade also. Meanwhile (amongst many things) there has been a General Election, the Brexit deadlock has been overcome, the challenge of global warming has, at last, grabbed our attention as a nation and the Royal family has been in roller-coaster mode in terms of health, happiness and hopes.

Some things never change – it's that time of year when we see the crocuses and The Six Nations Championship unfolds; note to self – get the lawn mower serviced!

At the heart of the Christian perspective we

believe God is the author of new things, yet His love for all humankind is unrelenting and unchanged. This makes Christianity a particularly relevant faith tradition for all of us, in my view.

Over the past year our family celebrated the birth of a new grandchild; he is now crawling! At the same time, I have seen the pain of couples who can't conceive, families where loved ones died, and I am regularly in contact with others being diagnosed with life-changing illnesses. No-one can anticipate what tomorrow will bring. To have a faith that relates to the good days, the tough days and the humdrum ones is important to me.

The reason being a Christian works for me (and for many others) is the realisation God is very close, never abandons us, and – despite the mystery – is always good.

You may ask "How can I tap into that sort of relationship with God?" Part of the answer is to try new ways of making yourself available to Him. This is one way in which our local churches can play a part. During Lent, the Papworth Team Ministry, in addition to our regular Sunday services, will be running courses nearby to where you are living; our website ( www.papworthteamchurches.org) will carry details that help you connect. On the other hand, if getting out and about is a problem, feel free to contact us if you would like one of our Ministry team to make a home visit to talk and pray with you.

Someone more qualified than me once said something to the effect: 'The definition of insanity is doing things in the same way and expecting different results!' I think that is true in matters of faith and knowing God.

May your looking back be full of learning and looking forward full of anticipation.

Nigel di Castiglione Team Rector



### **Hilton Methodist Church**

Services in February and March

10.00am Mr. I Craam

Feb 2	10:00am	Mr. J. Green
Feb 9	11:15am	United Service at the Parish Church
Feb 16	10:00am	Morning Worship
Feb 23	10:00am	Rev N. Witham
Mar 1	10:00am	Morning Worship (First Sunday in Lent)
Mar 8	11:15am	United Service at the Methodist Church
Mar 15	10:00am	Morning Worship
Mar 22	10:00am	Morning Worship

Mar 29

### All are welcome

10:00am Morning Worship

Minister Rev Nick Witham Tel. 01480 462293

### **Coffee Morning**

Saturday, February 1st and Saturday March 7th Fair Trade Coffee Morning 10:00am – 12:00 in the Methodist Schoolroom

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## Papworth Everard Womens Institute

It was good to see all our friends again at our January meeting following the Christmas break. Our speaker, Dr Andrew Bladon, gave an excellent, informative and enthusiastic talk on 5 Ways to Protect Wildlife in our gardens, and the community, from hedgehogs, birds and bees to plants and wildflowers.

Andrew who is a Postdoctoral Research Associate based in the Department of Zoology at the University of Cambridge is passionate about wildlife and encouraged all of us to do our best to protect it at a time when road building, and house building generally is seeing wildlife habitats destroyed at an alarming rate. Andrew suggested a good way for us all to get involved is to join our local Wildlife Trust and support them in the work they do to preserve our native species of wildlife and who can bring pressure to bear on governing bodies to ensure everything possible is done



to protect our wildlife. Andrew went on to talk about ways forward in helping towards the rapidly increasing global warming by ways of recycling, eating more plant based

foods etc. He is also strongly opposed to the proposed HS2 project which will see an enormous amount of wildlife across the countryside lost.

Our lunch this month was held at the ever popular Wheatsheaf at Perry – enjoyed by all as always.

We would love to see new faces and members at our meetings which are held every third Wednesday throughout the year at The Studio, apart from August. Please do come along and give it a try – we are a great fun group of people and you can be assured of a very warm welcome.



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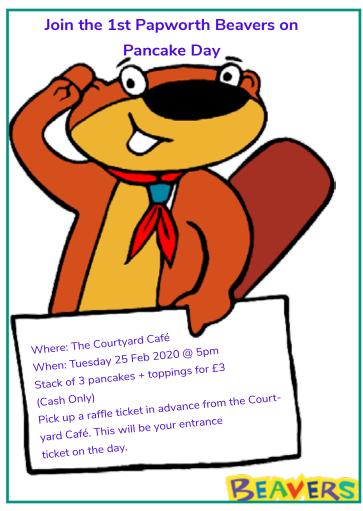
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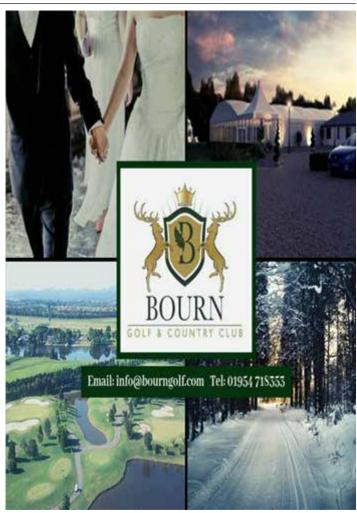
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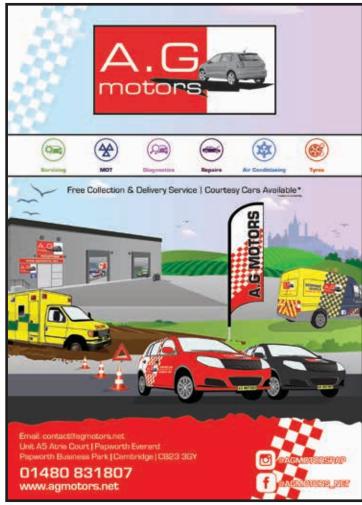
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MEETINGS EVERY 1ST AND 3RD SATURDAYS OF THE MONTH ALL WELCOME

(Please note that on Saturdays access to the library is by the rear entrance adjacent to the Studio). February can be one of the coldest and longest months in the calendar, even though there are fewer days, including a leap year. However, the appearance of snowdrops, winter aconites and crocuses in parks and gardens promises that spring is around the corner. All at the Papworth Craft Group are still working on winter projects, as there are many weeks left of colder weather. Shawls, blankets and scarves are on hooks and knitting needles, but there is cross stitch, toys and a tote bag also being worked on. The subject of 'WIPs' - the acronym for Works in Progress - came up in this column some time ago. Most crafters have a variety of these, even the most diligent. That project that was started on with such enthusiasm x-months/years ago, but was set aside because the season changed, or it proved too tricky because of inadequate experience, or more frequently because it is so much fun beginning something new. WIPs are like long lost treasures, sometimes found at the back of a cupboard or the bottom of a pile. The discovery of these projects can excite anew, sometimes to the extent that the urge to work on them again becomes a priority. The old WIP can give birth to a new WIP, i.e. what was being worked on at the time of discovering the old! There may be some crafters who do not admit to having WIPs, but there are many, including this writer, who have more than a few. Listing them in a notebook can engender a sense of order and purpose. Surely doing this signifies that the WIPs will be worked on systematically? Maybe! WIPs are not a sign of a fickle nature, but rather they can provide a more open approach to crafting. Perhaps one works

nature, but rather they can provide a more open approach to crafting. on different projects depending on the day of the week, or month or season of the year. A back catalogue of WIPs can be an organic way of sustaining interest in a project, by setting it aside with several others. A WIP eventually is transformed into a finished project, at which point it leaves a space for – another WIP!

Knitting and crocheting for charity is an ongoing project of the Papworth Craft Group. The blankets that were ready at the end of 2019 were donated to a charity called People Not Borders. This fledgling charity works with refugees here and wherever help is needed. It was set up by a small group of women of varying ages and backgrounds, who have this shared commitment: 'We believe in love, and in working together as one human family. We are driven by the conviction that every one of us can make a difference and help to change the world for the better'. The charity has no political or religious affiliations. (See their website at www.peoplenotborders. org for further information). For the time being, the Papworth Craft Group will continue to make blankets.

**DO YOU HAVE ANY SPARE YARN?** If so, please bring your donation to the library on the first or third Saturday of the month. Perhaps you would like to make squares? If so, they should be 8 inches or 20 cm square, with all the ends sewn in, please.

Crocheted squares are welcome also. Additionally, one large granny square can become a baby's blanket. Any assistance will be most welcome. The response we had last year was wonderful, both in donations of yarn and squares – another huge thank you.

We would love to welcome new members, irrespective of age or gender! Don't be shy! It does not matter if you cannot knit, crochet or cross stitch, as there is plenty of help on hand. If you have ever visited the library on a Saturday when the group meets, you will know that we laugh and chatter a great deal and are far from intimidating. Take that first step! Maybe bring a friend or relative along for moral support, or to join in as well. Pop by, come for a chat and check us out. Every person that comes to Papworth Library increases the footfall, so important these days in the face of cuts to small rural libraries. Since 2010, nearly 800 libraries have closed in England, Scotland and Wales.

Please support our library in whatever way you can – borrowing books, using library resources or taking part in events hosted by the library such as the Papworth Craft Group.

Enjoy February whatever the weather! This time next month was shall be even closer to spring!



### **OPENING HOURS**

Mon Closed

Tues 10.00am - 1.00pm

2.00pm - 5.00pm

Wed 10.00am - 1.00pm

Thur 2.00pm - 5.00pm

Fri Closed

Sat 10.00am - 1.00pm

Web renewals:

www.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/

leisure/libraries



### **Engage Talk - Papworth Library**

Thursday 10am-11.30am March 2020

### **FALLS PREVENTION -**

With Ryan Chillingworth

Falls are one of the biggest causes of serious injury. Everyone Health provides services to those who need it most to prevent injuries, improve confidence and help people maintain their independence.









## **New Members Required**

Male or female of all ages to join our club

Coaching is available for newcomers and our club runs 3 x mens teams - 1 x ladies team - 1 x Over 60's team All teams play in the weekly County Leagues. Men play their matches on Thursday evening Ladies play their matches on a Monday evening Over 60's play their matches on a Wednesday afternoon The leagues run from May to September

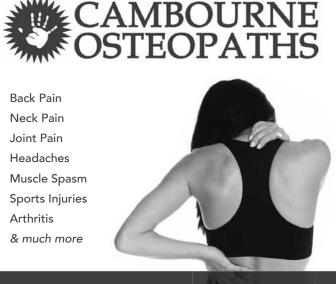
### **GIVE IT GO AND CONTACT**

Secretary: David Richardson - 07419 178817 Tresurer: Maureen Levett - 07966 246618 Chairman: Bryan Johnson - 07985 590130

### NOTE FOR YOUR DIARY

Our pre-season General Meeting will be held in the Papworth Day Centre, The Close on 9th March at 7.00pm





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### PAPWORTH SURGERY NOTICES



### LATE NIGHT SURGERY CHANGES

Please be advised that we are making some changes to our late night opening schedule in the coming months. Our usual late night is held on a Monday, however, due to Dr availability, and Bank Holidays, we are changing the late night to a Wednesday on the dates detailed below.

Please note these surgeries are for pre-booked routine appointments only.

#### February

Wednesday 26th February (instead of Monday 24th)

#### March

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> March (instead of Monday 16<sup>th</sup>)

#### Anril

Wednesday 8th April (instead of Monday 6th)

Wednesday 15th April (instead of Monday 13th)

Wednesday 29th April (instead of Monday 27th)

#### Mav

Wednesday 13th May (instead of Monday 11th)

Wednesday 27<sup>TH</sup> May (instead of Monday 25<sup>th</sup>)

#### June

Wednesday 3RD June (instead of Monday 1st)

Wednesday 24th June (instead of Monday 22nd)

Please note, the pharmacy will be opening on Monday nights as per usual, with the exception of Bank Holidays when they will be closed.

### PAPWORTH SURGERY - CLOSED FOR TRAINING

Please note the surgery will be closed for essential training as detailed below:-

Thursday 27th February from 13:30 = 16:30 hrs

We will have one Dr on site for URGENT medical assistance only during these times.

If you require URGENT medical assistance please call the normal phone line 01480 830888 and press 1 for an emergency

Thank you

Alexandra Mackenzie Practice Lead



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### Repeat prescriptions

- ► From Easter 2020, requests for repeat prescriptions should be made by one of the following methods:
- Order on-line (please ask the receptionist if you do not have an on-line account).
- By indicating which medicines are required on the right hand side of the prescription, and sending that to us.
- ► A request in writing, giving the name and Date of Birth of the patient, and the medicines required.
- ▶ Telephoned requests will no longer be accepted



## Friends of Pendragon Primary School

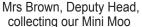
This year Pendragon Primary school is delighted to be taking part in the 'Cows

about Cambridge' public art event which will be in the city from 30th March until 6th June 2020. The large cows are sponsored by businesses and designed by artists, to make a free, family friendly art trail to follow.

The event will raise money for Break, who provide homes for children across East Anglia; a centre for families in crisis and services for children with disabilities and their families.

Local schools and groups can elect to have their own miniature version of the cows to decorate and include in the trail. So, with great excitement the children at Pendragon got to meet our blank mini-moo on the first day back this term, when it was revealed in assembly. Each class then got busy thinking about how to transform our mini-moo with their designs and get it ready to be part of the trail.







Papworth's very own Mini Moo, ready to be decorated

Whilst we are keeping our final design secret until it is revealed in the exhibition, themes linked to our school and Papworth village were really popular suggestions from the children. We are currently holding a competition to name the cow.

We are very grateful to the sponsors that have made this possible; Francesca DB Photography, Ashcroft Vets, HPR Heating and Plumbing Resolutions and Floor Coverings, but would still love to hear from you if you would like to be part of this project as there are still a couple of legs to pay for.

We look forward to giving you updates before the big reveal and hope that you will want to go and spot Pendragon's mini-moo when it is part of Cows about Cambridge later this year.

For more information you can also visit: www.cowsaboutcambridge.co.uk

### **Pendragon School Carrot Crunch**

Previously all of the children in reception and years 1&2 were given raisins as their free fruit snack at morning break time on the first day back.

As this is horrendously cariogenic and sending out the wrong message about healthy snacks, I am trying to get the government to remove 1st day raisins from the School Fruit and Vegetable scheme which they fund. This is a work in progress. In the meantime

the Dental Practice where I work has kindly agreed to sponsor alternative toothfriendly vegetables for the papworth children. *Jo Dawson* 



## Elsworth Pre-School gets building!

We've had a lovely start to the year including celebrating Chinese New Year with the children. We're pleased to announce that we've received funding from the A14 Community Fund, a fund managed by Cambridgeshire Community Foundation. This will be buying exciting new construction toys including new water play, work benches, giant scales and foam bricks! We're looking forward to our children exploring these exciting resources.

Lots of Papworth children attend Elsworth Pre-School as it's a lovely, friendly, small setting looking onto fields and located 5 minutes drive away in the neighbouring village. Each week contains a range of fun opportunities for young children,



from yoga to making Gruffalo crumble as the caring staff team help children learn through play. We have a fantastic weekly newsletter showing all the children's adventures, which you can see on our website www.elsworthpreschool.org.

We can support children from age 2 to 4 at Elsworth Pre-School including children in nappies. Most parents who visit Elsworth Pre-School choose it for their children. Book a visit to find out why! Elsworth Pre-School has places available now for up to 27 funded hours. Contact Julie Fretwell, Pre-School Manager for more details or to arrange a visit on 01954 268050, email elsworthpreschool@outlook.com, website: www.elsworthpreschool.org

