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# News Update

## Time for Tenants

As part of the Trust's commitment to strengthen our relationship with our tenants, "Time for Tenants" is an opportunity to speak to one of the Executive Team directly about something that is important to you. We want to hear from you! The next session will take place on Wednesday 28th July 2021 between 6pm & 8pm via zoom video call. For more information or to book a slot email Tracey Croucher on [tenantengagement@papworthtrust.org.uk](mailto:tenantengagement@papworthtrust.org.uk)

## Ground Maintenance

Where Papworth Trust homes have shared garden or lawn areas, we may provide a ground maintenance service & this is included in a tenant's service charge. Services include grass cutting, cutting or pruning hedges & bushes, pruning trees & to keep gardens tidy of weeds, litter & leaves. Details of the cycle of work can be found under section 5 of the Papworth Trust Cyclical & Planned Maintenance Policy <https://www.papworthtrust.org.uk/housing/tenants-policies/> or you can ask for a copy of this policy if you do not have access to the website.

Papworth Trust may also be responsible for the ground maintenance of other areas in the village such as land maintained through Section 106 agreements. The cycle of work for these areas is every 6 weeks from May to September only. If you need to contact us regarding the information given please do so using one of the following ways:

- Call 0330 678 0008 option 1 for Repairs & Maintenance or option 2 for the Housing Team
- Email [repairsandmaintenance@papworthtrust.org.uk](mailto:repairsandmaintenance@papworthtrust.org.uk) or [housing@papworthtrust.org.uk](mailto:housing@papworthtrust.org.uk)
- Website by completing the Contact Us form <https://www.papworthtrust.org.uk/contact-us/>

## BIN COLLECTION DATES

Thu 8 Jul 2021		✓	✓
Thu 15 Jul 2021	✓		
Thu 22 Jul 2021		✓	✓
Thu 29 Jul 2021	✓		
Thu 5 Aug 2021		✓	✓
Thu 12 Aug 2021	✓		

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News & Views - Papworth Everard

**Editorial deadline for next edition is 28th July**

Cover Picture: Bees on a Foxglove taken by the Editors

# PAPWORTH EVERARD PARISH COUNCIL REPORT

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## An Apology

The Parish Council would like to offer an apology for the recent condition of the grassed areas around the churchyard, cemetery and Village Hall car park and grounds.

Over the past couple of months, the contractor employed by the Parish Council to maintain the play area, churchyard and cemetery and Village Hall grounds has not been fulfilling the terms of their contract and the maintenance of these areas has been irregular and far from the standard required.

This has unfortunately caused the cemetery and churchyard and village hall car park to become somewhat overgrown and unkempt.

The Parish Council have met on site with the Operations Manager from the company to work through the issues and have sought their assurance that the expected standards are maintained, and the areas are kept in a much more presentable state in the future.

We would like to offer our sincerest apologies that this has been allowed to happen.

The contractor, CGM Ltd has also issued the following apology:

“After visiting the churchyard, we can see that our service delivery fell below what we expect of our operatives. Moving forward we will endeavour to provide the service you both expect and deserve and apologise for any problems we may have created”.

The Parish Council will monitor the standard of work over the coming months and take any further action as necessary.

## Village Hall Bookings

It has been an extremely quiet time for the Village Hall over the past 18 months. The Hall has been closed for business due to the Covid restrictions and various lockdowns almost continuously since 23 March 2020.

Since 19 May, we have been able to open up to a few of our regular hirers who are permitted within Government guidelines to run their events in a covid secure manner, with full risk assessments being undertaken for each event prior to the booking being confirmed.

We hope to be able to reopen the hall fully for all events from 19 July - this is of course subject to the Government's restrictions being lifted on that date.

We are currently taking provisional bookings for events after 19 July – if you are looking for a venue to hold your event – from an exercise class or band practice to a wedding reception or birthday party please contact the Bookings Clerk for more information and to check available dates. [villagehall@papwortheverardpc.org.uk](mailto:villagehall@papwortheverardpc.org.uk)

Rates of hire and terms and conditions of booking can also be found on our website along with a booking enquiry form.

## Outdoor Gym

You should soon see outdoor gym equipment being installed on the playing field on the corner to the rear of the Ermine St N / Wood Lane Bus Shelter.

This is not children's play equipment and is intended for exercise only and is therefore being positioned a little bit away from the main play area and trim trail.

All the equipment is designed to be suitable for all abilities and will be for use of anyone aged 14 and over. The items have been selected to improve general cardiovascular fitness, balance, co-ordination and muscle strengthening and allow a low impact workout and will include items such as an Air Walker, Seated Chest Press, Spin Bike, Cross Trainer and Rower.

## Play Area / Paddling Pool

We are hoping to have the paddling pool ready for use for the start of the summer holidays.

With the end of social distancing restrictions (hopefully from 19 July) any pieces of play equipment currently out of use to aid social distancing, will be released.

As in previous years, temporary toilets will be sited at the play area for convenience.

With the high numbers of people using the paddling pool a huge amount of rubbish will be generated. Please use the rubbish bins at the play area or ideally take your rubbish home with you - please do not leave nappies in the bins !

We ask that everyone does their bit to ensure the pool it is clean and safe for everyone to use and enjoy. Do not allow children covered in mud and dirt to go in the pool and please remove any litter – debris and silt can easily block the filters. Please could we also request that children do not eat food whilst in the pool or in the area immediately round the poolside and that all food scraps are disposed of and not allowed to get into the water as food debris can easily get caught in the filtration system.

The paddling pool attracts families from far and wide, many of whom travel by car which can add to the parking problems on Ermine Street North and Varrier Jones Drive. If you are planning a visit the paddling pool why not leave the car at home and walk?

We would request that people who do drive park with consideration for other motorists, do not cause an obstruction and park within the rules of the Highway Code.



# Papworth Everard Womens Institute

We had our third full Zoom Members' meeting on Tuesday 18th of May, and happily saw lots of smiling members join us.

Our speaker for the month was Chris Hickey a very knowledgeable plant and vegetable grower, having worked for Frosts Garden Centre for some 16 years. Chris told us she got her love of gardening from her Father, he had "green fingers" and specialised in growing Dahlias and Geraniums. Chris herself has a compact and very colourful garden along with an allotment for growing vegetables. We were given lots of tips on which type of composts to use, growing and storing bulbs, types of Clematis and one of her favourites, the Alstroemeria flowers/plants.

Regarding vegetables Chris suggested members could put some compost into a container, set some lettuce and spring onion seeds, then when they grow the leaves can be freshly picked as and when required.

Chris was a very entertaining speaker and considering she was suffering from a bad back she still kindly joined us from her granddaughters bed, for which we were very grateful.



Still on the subject of gardening, here are some lovely words from Daphne with supporting pictures from her garden.

'Having experienced exceptionally hot weather after so much rain over previous weeks it inspired me to take a few photos of the wonderful blooms just showing their colourful faces to bring us joy and a smile on our faces.



We live in a great area with lots of places and gardens to visit so enjoy the outdoor life and explore our surroundings.



OUR NEXT ZOOM MEETING IS ON TUESDAY 15TH JUNE AT 7.30PM WHEN WE HAVE SPEAKER KATE KIRK TALKING ON THE SUBJECT OF:



## The Cambridge Phenomenon

KATE KIRK TALKING ABOUT HER AMAZING AUNT

Kate Kirk is a writer and communications consultant. She currently focuses on management and entrepreneurship, and is co-author of The Cambridge Phenomenon: 50 Years of Innovation and Enterprise. A niece of Dame Cicely, Kate volunteered at St Christopher's Hospice in her youth. She is also a trustee of the Arthur Rank Hospice Charity in Cambridge and volunteers for the hospice in a variety of roles.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU ALL FOR ANOTHER GREAT EVENING

## Papworth Surgery Patients Link

### COVID-19 Vaccination Programme

Papworth Surgery will shortly be withdrawing from the Covid-19 vaccination service. Our last clinic is on Saturday 19th June at the Charles Hicks Centre. In future a second dose will be via the National Booking Service online at Coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccination - NHS or by calling 119.

You will be asked for your name, postcode and NHS number (patients can still book if they do not have this) and then you will be offered a choice of appointments at one of the local Vaccination Centres or Pharmacy sites offering the same vaccine as your first dose.

JCVI guidance recommends you receive your second dose between eight and 12 weeks after your first dose. However, if it has been over 12 weeks, you are still encouraged to book an appointment to receive your second dose to ensure you have maximum protection.

### Awaiting first dose?

Once eligible, patients will be invited by the National Booking Service to book an appointment at one of the local Vaccination Centres or Pharmacy sites online via Coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccination - NHS or by calling 119.

For people under 40 without other health conditions, current advice is to have an alternative to the Oxford/AstraZeneca vaccine. The COVID-19 vaccine is safe and effective and protects you and those around you. It is the biggest vaccination programme in NHS history and has already saved thousands of lives by preventing the spread of Covid-19. Please book your second dose without delay.

For further information on COVID-19 vaccines, visit Coronavirus (COVID-19) vaccination - NHS

### Non-NHS Services

Due to the increased workload through Covid, the turnaround for non-NHS administrative work including private letters and medical reports can be delayed by 2 – 4 weeks. Please bear with Papworth staff who are trying their best to complete paperwork in a timely manner.

The NHS does not pay for some of the services we provide. These include private sick notes, insurance forms, holiday cancellation forms, medical reports, fitness to travel certificates, firearms licencing, private prescriptions, passport signing and some vaccination services. Fees for these services, which are in line with BMA approved national guidelines, are displayed in the surgery.

### About Papworth Patients' Link

<https://www.papworthsurgery.nhs.uk/patient-group/about-our-ppg/>

Our aims are;

- Good liaison between surgery staff and patients and the well-being of all
- Provision of beneficial services, equipment and amenities above those the doctors are required to supply

The volunteer group meets 3 – 4 times a year with Papworth surgery staff (currently Zoom) to carry out their role.

Papworth patients generally agree our surgery offers an excellent service, but there is always room for improvement. We want to be responsive to current needs and would like to encourage more involvement from a wider representation of the 7,300 patients on the Surgery List.

If you are one of the 7,300 patients and can afford a couple of hours each quarter to help support the incredibly high standards set by the surgery, please contact Rob Turvey on 01480 880709 to find out more!



## RE-PLAY PAPWORTH

With the current restrictions in place, we are not going to be able to run the Sunday afternoon vinyl sessions in the Courtyard café for a while. Let's hope the vaccine rollout continues apace and we can all get together soon. We're tentatively planning on the Autumn, so watch this space.

Last month's article discussed John Lennon - you might have heard of him, he was in The Beatles - you might have heard of them. No sooner had the ink dried on that, came the announcement that the latest to get the remix/remake treatment was All Things Must Pass, the debut album by George Harrison - you might have heard of him, etc...

This triple vinyl (or double CD) album has been cleaned up by the wizards at Abbey Road - not just given a quick remaster, but reconstructed from the individual multitrack master tapes. Not only that, but expanded with an additional five records (or three CDs) of out-takes.

The original album production by Phil Spector was in his trademark murky 'wall of sound' style and the new version should be a whole lot clearer. I'll be honest though, the third record of All Things Must Pass was subtitled 'Apple Jam' and, like many free-form jams, was probably more fun to play than to listen to. I'm not sure I want to hear another five albums of out-takes!

Doubtless the postman will be delivering the remixed triple vinyl set to Play Papworth towers.

We look forward to playing it - well, the first two discs, anyway - for you. Until then, support your local record shops, our equipment provider Criterion Audio, and your local café.

Follow us at [www.facebook.com/playpapworth](https://www.facebook.com/playpapworth) or email [playpapworth@fenton.org.uk](mailto:playpapworth@fenton.org.uk)

To donate to our virtual East Anglian Air Ambulance collection tin, visit [www.eaaa.org.uk/](http://www.eaaa.org.uk/)



## RENDEZVOUS 2021

2 days of Activities and Entertainment for the 'Young at Heart' living in and around the villages of the Papworth Team

Includes: Crafts, Talks, Water Colour Painting, Flower Arranging, Exercise Class, Clock Making  
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Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> and Friday 13<sup>th</sup> August

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# Church Notices

## St Peter's Church Services

There will be services at St Peter's church on the following Sundays

**4th July - 10.00 Team Zoom Service**

**11th July - 10.30 Holy Communion**

**18th July - 10.30 Family Worship**

**25th July - 10.30 Holy Communion**

The church is open on Wednesdays and Sundays for individual prayer

Details of Zoom services and other church events on the Papworth team website.

## Roman Catholic Mass

(Latin Rite)

**Every Saturday at 5.00 pm**

Please consult our parish website for other times and more information

**[www.stmichaelrc.org](http://www.stmichaelrc.org)**



**Nigel di Castiglione** . . . Team Rector

### *Getting things in perspective*

As I write the group stage games of the Euro 2020 football championship are under way. A big question is just how far can the teams from the 'home nations' (England, Scotland and Wales) get in the competition. The answer may well be known by the time you get to read this edition! Already

there has been the shocking incident of a player from Denmark collapsing because of a cardiac arrest, which put the significance of the game and competition in a fresh light. Seeing the player's partner being comforted by team-mates whilst others were praying alongside their stricken colleague moved even the hardest of hearts.

Many people have remarked how life under the COVID constraints has forced a re-think about what really matters and highlighted some things are not terribly important. All over the country people are asking the same question about organisations and activities they have supported and worked for, often over many years.

In the past few weeks Christians have celebrated Ascensiontide, Pentecost and Trinity. We have been reminded Jesus left his first disciples with an enormous vision and almost no strategies for bringing it about; they would be his witnesses to the farthest corners of the known world – even though most of them had ventured hitherto, probably, no further than the distance between London and Cambridge. History tells us they caught the vision and, with God's help, fulfilled it; which is why we are beneficiaries today.

One of the means we have appreciated is the power of the internet; including how we connect with family and friends, for shopping – essential and otherwise(!) and also for being and doing church. Some things are quicker, others seem to take an interminable amount of time, whilst not a few just don't happen or seem important any longer.

As Christians this highlights the importance of Jesus having cast a vision and leaving the implantation to us; the mission remains unchanged whilst the means can evolve and change. It's all about extending our reach and influence rather than clinging on to methods and tactics that were ideal previously but need updating.

Currently I have a backlog of weddings on my radar; where couples were forced to cancel or needed to rearrange to ensure the people who need to be present could be there safely. It's a reminder marriage is one of those timeless entities and the way chosen happily by many as the way to flourish and build family. At the same time some of the precious times in the past year or so have been the small weddings – when only 15 or 30 was the upper limit of attendees – a throw-back to a previous generation when that was the norm because it was all people could afford.

This is a time to hold fast to the big visions God inspires and sit lightly to some of the methods, processes and events that seemed to have served us well thus far.



## Hilton Methodist Church

We are hoping that the arrangements for worship at Hilton Methodist Church will soon return to normal but we will be continuing with worship on Zoom during July.

So our arrangements remain as they have been for the last few months:-

The Methodist Church building at Hilton may be closed but the church is still open online.

For the time being, we are holding our services via Zoom every Sunday morning at 9:45am. The services last for about 30 minutes and anyone is welcome to join us. Why not join us on Zoom for one of our services? If you would like to join us for worship, you will need a Zoom app on your computer, phone or tablet. The ID number you will need in order to participate can be obtained from Sandy Monk on 830273.

There is also an online service at 10:30am, which is usually led by Rev Nick Witham. That can be accessed via the St Ives Methodist Church Facebook page. It lasts for about 50 minutes.

In addition, each week, there is a recorded service that can be accessed by phone at any time on 01480 597118.



## No meetings for the time being

This month I thought it might be interesting to find out some history of the Day Centre, some investigation revealed that the Papworth and District Day Centre charity was established in March 1995, 26 years ago: just over a quarter of a century!

We would be interested to hear any tales or memories from the early days.

Entering the Day Centre there is a real sense of calm and nostalgia about the place and the feeling of a well-oiled machine that has operated like clockwork for ages. The ladies on one side of the room, the gents on the other. Three coffee tables arranged just so for tea/coffee then put back in order for the three card tables from the cupboard to be set up for dominoes, etc. (many of the ladies preferring to knit.) Then put tidily away again.

Then tables set out for lunch, with glasses of squash laid out on the tables, volunteer helpers eagerly queuing at the kitchen hatch with clients' specific vegetable preferences, etc.

## VARRIER JONES Social Club

Wouldn't it be good to have some nice predictable weather, sunny during the day and rain at night? It was lovely and sunny and too hot and now is rainy and cold. Neither wonder the plants don't know what to do, one minute being scorched and now slopping wet, oh well, that's our British weather for you. You know what is said "when you have nothing else to say talk about the weather", well that is what I am doing because there is no real news as to when we are likely to be able to reopen.

Good news – Hedgehog is back and spends quite a lot of time in the garden but is very late so not been able to actually see him just on the camera. There seems to be a stand-off with the cats and the hedgehog always wins, the cats slink off again. So far, the cats have left the newly planted vegetable beds alone and although the tomatoes and sweet peas are doing very well the runner beans seem to have gone the wrong way – no sign of anything else either. Still, we are ever hopeful, early days yet.

The Committee Members send their best wishes to you all – Take care and stay safe until we can meet again. Remember, if you need a chat, you can always contact

Then onto the afternoon's entertainment, the nearest thing to a time machine, sometimes singing songs from many decades ago, or bingo, quizzes, and a variety of other games. Another round of tea/coffee, then home at 3pm after a great day.

The details of how the Day Centre runs under normal circumstances are below:

The cost is £13 per day including tea and coffee and a delicious two course meal cooked by our resident chef, Jane. We would normally meet every Tuesday between 10am until 3pm in The Community Centre, The Close, Papworth Everard. The centre is fully wheelchair accessible. Transport is available in certain cases.

So, when we get the all clear we will contact all our clients and hope to see you all again then. If you are not already on our list and would like to give it a try then please get in touch in readiness for our return.

If you are a member of the Day Centre and would like a chat, or if you would like to find out more about the Day Centre, why not call the following?

Contact: Eddie on (01480) 830338 or Jenny on (01480) 492697 for further details or to book your place. Please ring for more information



one of the Committee Members, we would be pleased to hear from you.

So, make a note that when we are all "free" again to 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?



## PAPWORTH CRAFT GROUP

MEETINGS EVERY FIRST & THIRD SATURDAYS  
OF THE MONTH

**PAPWORTH LIBRARY 10:30 - 12:30**  
**(MEETINGS CURRENTLY SUSPENDED)**

The longest day of the year is already in the past and the country waits to see whether the majority of restrictions that were imposed, due to the Covid-19 crisis, will be lifted on 19 July. Experience over the 17 months since the initial lockdown would suggest that it is best to manage expectations and expect the unexpected. As it is, there will not be any meetings of the Papworth Craft Group in July, but hopefully meetings in August will be able to go ahead.

Since our last week was on the third Saturday in March 2020, there will be a lot of news to catch up on, not just about how everyone has coped with the difficulties of daily living through the pandemic, but what projects have been completed over that time.

Working with your hands is one of the most grounding activities one can do and there is evidence that handcrafts (and also gardening) have provided solace and comfort to many people during lockdowns. Some have rediscovered knitting, say, or cross stitch, while others have started from scratch, earnestly watching YouTube tutorials on the craft of their choice - thank heavens for its gift of teaching people how to crochet! Inspiration can be found in buckets on social media, especially Instagram and Pinterest. However, beware of the danger of feeling inadequate when seeing someone post that they have started and finished a huge cross stitch sampler in five days, or a king sized crocheted blanket in the blink of an eye.

It can be rewarding joining a sew along, (SAL), knit along, (KAL) or crochet along (CAL), whereby the pattern is released over a set amount of weeks. However, there are always those who post on social media that they have finished the current week's reveal less than twenty four hours after the release of the pattern! How do they do that? Do they even take time to eat?

Did you know that it is possible to do a PhD on wool? There are seventy two different breeds of British sheep. One young woman was so fascinated by this and the textiles that wool from individual sheep produced that she travelled all over the country, documenting them for her PhD. What an amazing direction to take a passion for wool! No one in the Papworth Craft Group is researching for a PhD in wool, crochet, thread or textiles - unless lockdown has inspired a group member to apply their passion in this way - but that does not mean that the joy of crafting is necessarily any less intense. At every meeting members have projects past, present and planned to share. Who has found a new yarn?

What are those interesting books over there? Look at that beautiful cross stitch piece that has been months in the making! This sharing is fundamental to the dynamic of the group and it is always pleasing when new members turn up and soon become an integral part of this dynamic. Put simply: We all really enjoy our meetings!

A brief reminder about squares for charity blankets, available



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yarn if you want to knit or crochet squares and about The Big Knit:

Squares for Charity Blankets. The group has an ongoing project of knitting/crocheting squares to make into blankets. If you have time and would like to make some squares the measurements are 20 cm x 20 cm (8 inches x 8 inches), all the ends sewn in please. (See last month's News & Views for more information on the blankets)

Yarn Thanks to some very generous donations, there is a good supply of yarn, should you need/would like some. Please contact Rosalind Parnell, [parnellrh@aol.com](mailto:parnellrh@aol.com) to arrange to obtain some of this yarn.

The Big Knit. This is a project run by the Innocent Drinks Company. Knitters are invited to make little bobble hats for their small sized smoothie bottles. For each bottle with a bobble hat that is sold, a donation is made to Age UK\*. The hats are super cute and there are plenty of patterns to be found online at [www.bigknit.co.uk](http://www.bigknit.co.uk). If you do not have the Internet, ask at your local yarn store - they may have patterns already printed out.

If all goes to plan and restrictions are lifted on 19 July, then meetings of the Papworth Craft Group can resume at Papworth Library on the first Saturday in August, which is 7 August. A message will be placed on the Papworth Living Facebook page to confirm. Please make a note in your diaries. New members will be most very welcome. Come with a friend or sibling or young person to check us out. Just a note: this is a Community Project and there is no charge!

***Have a jolly July***

***Stay well and stay safe***

\*Apologies for mistake last month naming Help the Aged rather than Age UK as the charity supported by The Big Knit. Help the Aged merged with Research into Ageing in April 2010!



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## Pendragon Primary School

We started with an assembly where we carefully unwrapped our mini moo. There was great excitement. We asked the children to suggest ideas for how we could decorate her.



The children's imaginations were taken up with dragons and scales inspired by our school name, Pendragon.

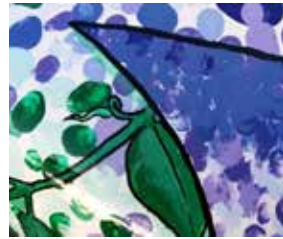
The children really wanted our dragon cow to have a school jumper so we colour matched the paint exactly and as a dragon cow she obviously had to have flames coming from her nostrils

Finger prints became a way to create the scales of our dragon cow and

involve all the children and staff.

Small groups from each class helped to paint in the rest of the symbols. We christened our dragon cow, Ermine-trude as the main road through the village of Papworth is Ermine street.

On Ermine-trude there are lots of plant leaves, this is because we have an environmental area we love to visit called 'The Haven' (little did we know when we were decorating our mini moo how much we would need our outdoor learning area during lockdown)



The REACH symbol represents our motto-Respect, Effort, Achieve, Challenge.

Everyone in the school is encouraged to show REACH through everything they do and we just had to included Ermine-trude!

The heart represents our link to The Royal Papworth Hospital which until recently was in the village We have strong links to the hospital and our Y6 would go carol singing there at Christmas.



The packet of crayons represents our diverse community.

Our Friends of Pendragon helped raise funds for Ermine-trude and they were supported by some of our amazing local Papworth Everard community and businesses! We even had the support and donation from a wonderful ex-pupil.

We are very excited to visit our cow for 'Cows around Cambridge' 28th June to September 4th and then finally welcome her back here to inspire us in our curriculum work with maths estimation; inspiration for writing; geography challenges.

We'll be using our imaginations once again to see what we can use her for.



## Pendragon Preschool

The preschool children have been enjoying this lovely sunshine we have been having! With lots of water play, using hose pipes to connect two water trays, and lots of different sized jugs for measuring. We have continued to consolidate our learning about sizes from last half term!

We have been enjoying lots of under the sea themed books, such as 'Sharing a shell', 'Fidgety Fish' and one of our all-time favourites 'Shark in the park'. This is great for repetition and rhyming. The children really enjoy this theme and we have had lots of discussions about creatures we find at the beach or in the sea.

To support with the children's transition to reception in September we have continued with our regular stories with their new class teachers twice a week, they even get a look around the classroom, this really helps the children familiarise themselves with the new faces they will be seeing regularly and ease those anxieties they may have over the big transition.

Forest school is as popular as ever, bug hunting is still a firm favourite activity of the children's. They love to go exploring with the magnifying glasses and the pots to see what they can identify. We also have a lot of team work, helping each other to carry and move large logs to create 'houses' for the 'giants and dragon'.

We have availability for September! If your child turns three years old before then and you would like to find out more information or register with us for their preschool education,

please contact Miss Davies (preschool manager) or Mrs Duff (preschool administrator) on: 01480 830267 Email:ppreschool@pendragon.cambs.sch.uk





The Rainbows have learnt lots about Girl Guiding this month, including how the Queen was a guide when she was a child. They made crowns that I'm sure the Queen would approve of, and 5 of them completed their promise ceremony under the tree in Papworth that the Queen planted on a visit.

They have also learnt about the Girl Guide centres around the world and designed their own postcards to send home from them. Mexico seemed a popular choice as did Africa!

This week we all went walking on the moon and created books to help them remember their Rainbow promise.

A special mention goes to the 4 Rainbows in the photo above, who received their very special Bronze award. A huge congratulations to each of them.

The rainbows are looking forward to their first sleepover, which has a teddy bear theme, and also to the County Camp. Both of these take place in August just before six of them move up to Brownies.

The 2nd Papworth Guides have been busy enjoying the weather this month. We have been making bird feeders from oranges and visited an allotment where the girls helped plant some vegetables including courgette, carrots and beetroot. They each bought home a tomato plant and we have also grown sunflowers using plastic bottles as the pots. Pictured below are two of the guides planting a courgette plant.



Both the Rainbows unit and the Brownies unit need a second leader to help run them. If you have a couple of hours spare each week that you could volunteer you're time to either unit, please contact Charlotte Pattle, the Rainbow leader, for more information and details. Unfortunately, we have lots of girls in the village, that are on the waiting list, that won't be able to join without more leaders.

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# 1st Papworth Scout Group

It's been another busy month outdoors for the group.

The beavers have been busy out and about. They completed a scavenger hunt around the village, worked towards their gardeners' badge and spent an evening building shelters in the woods.

The cubs have spent a couple of evenings litter picking around the village and have been learning about magic and circus skills.

The scouts have spent a night learning about bike maintenance, making sure they know how to keep their bikes in safe working order, before having a bike ride across the fields.

They then spent a night designing and making kites, some when with the standard design, but some were a bit more creative.



Finally, after learning how to light a fire last month using a flint, this month we built fires to cook on. This is all in preparation for our first post Covid camp in a few weeks' time.

Again, we would like to thank all those that have given their time to help. We still have several children on our waiting list so are always looking for additional support. If you think you would like to offer your services, either on a regular

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