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Varrier Jones Social Club

27 members attend our Christmas Lunch, held on 2nd December, and we were pleased to include Margaret and Eddie Poulter as our guests. Margaret and Eddie have recently moved away from Papworth, but served as Committee members for many years. Jane Arnold and husband provided an excellent meal and afterwards sing-a-long entertainment was performed by Mandy and Charlie who sing as Caprice Duo. Once again, everyone had a thoroughly enjoyable afternoon.

Why not consider joining us in the New Year, we are always happy to welcome new members. Due to Christmas and New Year Bank Holidays WE DO NOT HAVE A MEETING IN JANUARY, but our Chairman Audrey Reid on 01480 831053 or Vice Chairman Eddie Tomkinson on 01480 839230 would be happy to answer any enquiries about joining for the 3rd February meeting, when we are looking forward to being entertained by Sean Moyse 'The Banjo Man'

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Come let's stand together in prayer for all life's challenges and situations. We believe in the transforming POWER OF JESUS CHRIST.



Happy new year! Sing Papworth will be kicking off 2023 with a concert in Papworth revolving around literature in music. Join us on the evening of Saturday 28th January at 6pm at Papworth Village Hall for pieces inspired by greats such as Tolkien and Rudyard Kipling. Alongside items sung by the choir there'll be performances by friends

including students from Swavesey Village College's Performing Arts department. Tickets will be £5 on the door, with proceeds from the event going to Godmanchester Food Bank.

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A HAPPY, HEALTHY AND PEACEFUL 2023 TO ALL FROM THE LADIES OF PAPWORTH EVERARD WI

As you will see from the picture below our annual Xmas Dinner took place on 9 th December at Slepe Hall in St Ives. A great evening was had by all.



A note for your diary - not to be missed:

Wednesday 18th January our speaker for the evening

Colin Bell: Bee-keeper



Colin will be giving an interesting talk on bee-keeping and will be bringing along some of his wonderful honey to sell on the night. Do come along and join us for what we are sure will be a great first meeting

of 2023. All ladies over the age of 18 are welcome. Our meetings are held on the 3 rd Wednesday of the month in The Studio, Pendrill Court.

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Drop in for a drink and cake

Papworth Trust has been awarded a sum of money by the National Lottery Heritage Fund to spend on sharing the village's special history with its disabled residents.

We are working with Kate Hulme, who works with museums and community groups to find ways to share their history.

In January and February Kate is holding a few coffee and chat meetings in the village. If you are disabled and live in the village, please come along and have a free coffee and piece of cake. There is no pressure to know about history or have a strong opinion about it — Kate is just interested in getting to know local people and hearing about what is important to them.

You don't need to book, just drop in for a chat somewhere warm and friendly.

Papworth Library: Monday 23rd January, 10.30am to 12 noon Turnhill Room: Tuesday 24th January, 10.30am to 12 noon Bradbury Court: Wednesday 25th January 10.30am to 12 noon Papworth Library: Monday 30th January, 10.30am to 12 noon You can:

have a free drink and a free piece of cake and chat to friends look at some old photos

talk about what you remember about the village in the past chat about how we can keep the history alive

We hope to see you then. If you have any access needs you'd like us to be aware of, let us know by emailing Kate on kate@katehulme.co.uk.











PAPWORTH TENNIS CLUB

Membership for Papworth Tennis Club runs from 1st April to 31st March and includes free access to the courts and use of the

floodlights throughout the year. The club runs a variety of social tennis sessions as well as competitions and also participates in ladies', men's and mixed doubles league matches against other local tennis clubs.

The club's coaches, Diane and John, each have more than 20 years of coaching experience and run the club group coaching programme. They are also available for individual lessons.

The courts are available to book for non-members either through the website or the Clubspark app. Courts may be booked for half hour slots up to a maximum of two hours.

For membership enquiries please contact John Peal via email at membership@papworthtennis.co.uk.

For more information about court booking and coaching visit: https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/PapworthTennisClub

PAPWORTH CRAFT GROUP

MEETINGS EVERY FIRST AND THIRD SATURDAYS
OF THE MONTH

10:30 - 12:30 AT PAPWORTH LIBRARY

Access to the library on Saturdays is by the rear door adjacent to the Studio

Happy New Year from the Papworth Craft Group! The group has been meeting at the library in Papworth for around 9 years. There is no specific date to hand, but it is fair to say that the group is well established. The idea of a craft group belongs to Kate Giles, a young woman who was working at Papworth Hospital and lived in the village as well. She advertised her idea for a craft group in the News & Views as Papworth Gets Crafty. The response was encouraging. In those days the meetings were on the first Saturday of the month only. Kate left Papworth some years ago to live in York, but the group carried on meeting. A second meeting for every month was requested by members and with the agreement of Papworth library, the sessions began to take place on the first and third Saturdays of the month. This seems to work well, as it provides flexibility for members. Two hours of uninterrupted crafting is an attractive proposition. There is the opportunity to knit, crochet, sew, make lace, cross stitch, embroider, patchwork or quilt alongside others who also like to craft. (This list is not exhaustive, but these are the crafts that have been brought to the group).

Over the years the group has grown, but has regulars, who tend to come to both meetings every month. People move away and others find out about the group, either through the News & Views or word of mouth. In the past few months lace makers have joined us and have been willing to demonstrate the rudiments of lace-making, as well as allowing those who wish, to have a go. Most of the members knit and crochet, but also cross stitch and embroider. However, there is always room to learn a new technique within each discipline. Those with basic skills can ask for help from the more experienced, or learn a new craft from another member. In recent months some younger ladies, who are still at school, have come along to learn to crochet, or to sit companionably and crochet. They are a great addition to the group and hopefully more will join.

The melange of different ages, crafts and experience makes for an interesting two hours. One meets people that one would not, ordinarily, come across in the day to day. There are members in the group, who have lived in the village for decades and have interesting stories and perspective on life in Papworth. This provides another dimension to the group that goes beyond crafting. It is enriching. At some meetings, there is a lot of chatter and a little bit of noise! (Well, quite a lot of noise)! At other times, it is quieter. It is satisfying to have a group of different ages, brought together through crafting, who bring their unique experiences, so that something new is created and adds to the experiences of each one of us.

We love to welcome new people to the group. Everyone is invited and hopefully some of the readers of the News & Views will consider trying out a session of the Papworth Craft Group. There is repetition here, yet someone will discover this column, never having seen it before. This invitation is for YOU! - it also for old timers, who have read this before but only now actually take note! Start the New Year with a visit to the Papworth library on 6 January 2023, which is the first meeting of the year. Drop by, have a chat, bring your needles or hooks and your current project, or come to learn a new craft. There is no obligation to stay for two hours or beyond five minutes or to come again. The choice is yours, although we would love to see you at a future meeting.

The Papworth Craft Group is a Community Project hosted by the Papworth Library. That footfall in rural libraries is hugely important should go without saying. Coming to the Craft Group supports the library. Your visit could include borrowing books or reading the local newspapers, before or after popping in at the meeting of the Craft Group. All very easy ways of fulfilling a New Year's Resolution to try out something new in the community. The Papworth Craft Group it's looking forward to meeting YOU in 2023.

Have a great January. Stay well and stay safe!







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St Peter's Church - January Services

Sunday 8th - 10.30am – Holy Communion Sunday 15th - 10.30am – Family Service Sunday 22nd – 10.30am – Holy Communion

On Sunday 29th January there will be a Team Service (Please check the website for the venue)

The website papworthteamchurches.org has up to date service information for St Peter's Church and other churches in the team.

It also has the Zoom link for the monthly Team Service and Bible Study and Morning Prayer.

Roman Catholic Mass

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What happened to ...?

For many that's the question we ask about 2022, the year now gone. We seem to have been reeling from one period of crisis to another; so that different episodes or moments have all rolled into one ongoing experience of feeling blurred or bamboozled.

A new calendar gives some the opportunity to fill in a lot of blanks, looking forward – birthdays, holidays, important landmarks anticipated and the like. Although for others

it may seem all we can expect is more of the same misery and anxiety-riddled days, especially if we have been hit by poor health and other life-changing realities. The danger we all face centres on the word hope – the risk of placing it in things that and transitory and can't last or feeling it has all been eroded by things we can't change.

Christians are meant and designed to be hope-filled people. The Bible describes the one we believe in as the 'God of hope'; it's in

his nature to leak and bring hope in our direction! This is why the Bible has accounts of people who refused to settle for lives where hope for change, healing, forgiveness or reconciliation has been badly dented; they were not disappointed as they pursued God for the changes needed and desired. Simply stated: when we bump into Christians who are shaped by hopelessness, something has gone awry. That is not a condemnation but simply a logical extrapolation of who we are by faith. If you are not a person of faith and find an apparently hope-deficient Christian, feel free to call them to account! Jesus had something similar to say when he said to his followers 'You are the light of the world ... salt of the earth ...' I believe the impact of COVID, a huge amount of political turbulence, threatened shortages to power supplies, frightening price-rises every time we go shopping, the ongoing war and its consequences in Ukraine etc etc can be turned to some good if we allow our thinking to be re-engineered positively and appropriately; away from assumptions built chiefly on self-reliance or our own human ability to get ourselves out the particular mess we happen to be in. Likewise, we are probably more aware than we were not long ago of the importance of community - where, as families, neighbours and wider acquaintances, we have come to live looking out for the needs and interest of others. This new mindset and a fresh commitment to be on the look-out for others are values we need to cherish and nurture if we are not to slip back into old ways.

I am sure all of us will be saying 'happy new year' to many we bump into at the start of the year. Happiness is one of those outcomes we should hope for, and others may feel hopeless about. We have been schooled into thinking much of what makes us happy boils down to things we acquire, earn or are given. I remember a colleague describing a promotion he had been given as like a good meal – when it's gone, you're looking for the next one!

Instead, I propose true happiness has more to do with attitudes we hold and behaviours we adopt. It may well be a key to making 2023 truly and joyfully memorable here in Papworth Everard.

Nigel di Castiglione - Team Rector

Hilton Methodist Church





Services in Janauary

January 1st - 10:30 Zoom Service led by Mrs P. Zahner

January 8th - 11:15am United Covenant Service led by Rev Sue Baker-Maher

January 15th - 10:00am Dr. Roland Randall

January 22nd - 10:00am Rev Pam Siddall

January 29th - 10:00am Rev. Clifford Owen

All are Welcome

Tea and Coffee will be served in the schoolroom after the services



Friends of Pendragon Primary School

Happy New Year from Friends of Pendragon Primary School

We wrapped up the year of fundraising efforts with a phenomenal Christmas disco. We had fantastic professional disco music and lights, Christmas trees and decorations and stalls for the children to buy a few sweets and glow sticks. The highlight was a surprise visit from Santa and what excellent disco dance moves he had! It was just wonderful to see the surprise and joy on the children's faces at what was the first school disco for many of the year groups. Well done to everyone involved.

Thank you to everyone in the village who supported our Christmas tree sale, it was a great end to a busy term of events!

New members welcome... if you would like to start the new year getting involved with something new and make a difference, we'd welcome your input and ideas.

The Friends of Pendragon are The Parent, Teacher and Friends Association (PTFA) for Pendragon Primary School. We support the school by running a variety of events and activities to raise much needed funds for resources and enriching experiences for all of the children at the school. Join us and help work towards this year's main fundraising goals to rejuvenate the school library and our big project for an outdoor classroom, as well as additional vital resources for the classrooms.

Get in touch with us and come along to our next meeting (dates advertised on our Facebook page) and find out more about the formal roles we have on the committee as well as the many other ways you can get involved, as much or a little as you would like!

And you don't need to have a connection to the school to help with Friends. Perhaps you are new to the village, have recently retired or have a child starting at the school this coming September, if you can spare some time, would like to make new friends, and help make a significant difference to the village school, read on!

Be part of our "Helping Hands" who are active members who don't take on a formal role, but are happy to lend a hand for the many tasks that are essential to the running of events, could you help stuff envelopes, make posters, bake cakes, craft items, set up/clear down for events, help to cover a stall, organise raffle prizes? If you'd like to volunteer some time, please do send us an email to friends@pendragon.cambs.sch.uk and we'll add you to our mailing list and reach out to you when help is needed!

Looking to the year ahead, there will be more discos, movie nights and other fun events in school, plus the return of our spectacular 'Friends Fiesta' Summer Fete, a great event for the school and community to get together.







What an amazing term it has been! The snow this week was the icing on the cake. Thank you to our fabulous staff who have gone above and beyond to support our brilliant children. A big thank you to our wider school family who have warmly welcomed me into the Pendragon community.

We have had a beautiful candlelit Christmas assembly accompanied by live Christmas songs.

We are so proud of our Reception children who performed the loveliest Nativity play and all of our children enjoy the snow this week!







Tree Warden Report

David Potter

treewarden@papwortheverardpc.org.uk

Happy New Year! I hope your New Year Resolutions include at least one promise to look after the natural environment around you!

I write this report during the very busy time running up to Christmas and, of course, the tree that is most on my mind (and in my lounge) is the Christmas

Tree. If you have had a real tree this Christmas I hope you have made arrangements to dispose of it. The Arthur Rank Hospice is operating a tree collection scheme in Cambridge and surrounding areas. Volunteers will collect trees from certain postcode areas, including CB23. The hospice is asking for voluntary donations in exchange for the collection, which is due to take place on January 9, 10 and 11.

As the hospice is unable to allocate time slots, those wishing to take advantage of the scheme should ensure their tree is out and ready for collection by 8am on January 9.

Alternatively, residents can dispose of their trees in their green bins, provided they are chopped up with the lid closed.

The alphabet has reached the letter 'H' and H is for Hedgerows.

The Tree Council reminds us that Hedgerows are an undervalued resource and are in danger of being lost from our towns, cities and countryside. They offer us countless benefits, from boosting biodiversity, absorbing carbon and improving air quality to improving our wellbeing, cooling our cities and forming a key part of our cultural heritage.

Britain's hedgerows stretch over 700,000km – 1.5 times the distance to the moon! – but in the last 75 years the UK has lost 50% of its hedgerows, and what we do have left is being removed and mismanaged at an alarming rate. They form the UK's largest



wildlife habitat and have a crucial role to play in halting biodiversity decline and tackling climate change. Our relationship with hedgerows needs to change urgently as we face up to the dual biodiversity and climate crises in the coming years.

For them to have a healthy future, hedgerows need the support of a range of people and organisations, from farmers and planners to environmentalists and local communities. The Tree Council aims to protect and conserve our hedgerows for the future.

More information about hedgerows can be found on the Tree Council website: www.treecouncil.org.uk .

In his poem 'Little Gidding', T.S. Elliot writes about the seasons and a journey to be made. An appropriate thought in January, with the wise men searching for their Epiphany. Here is an extract which mentions snow covered hedges.

'Now the hedgerow

Is blanched for an hour with transitory blossom
Of snow, a bloom more sudden
Than that of summer, neither budding nor fading,
Not in the scheme of generation.'

Wishing you all a kind, healthy and peaceful 2023.



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A Christmas Celebration

On Tuesday the 20th December at the Day Centre we had our annual Christmas Dinner. We had a delicious soup with some lovely bread to start. Beautifully cooked turkey with all the trimmings for the main course.

Christmas pudding with custard or a fruit compote with meringue pieces to follow.

We had very enjoyable singing entertainment from Billie Green. Also Father Christmas paid a visit with presents for all.

The previous week we enjoyed carol singing with David and Anne Potter.

The aim of the Day Centre is to provide a social event and a meal for elderly, isolated clients; in addition a day off for their carer, if applicable. There are no minimum age or ability requirements.

We offer a taster day for £5 (normal price is £13). Or you are very welcome to just come and see what we do and have a cup of tea. Please contact Jenny (number below.)

If you are interested in joining the Day Centre or finding out more please phone Jenny (number below). Please note it is not now necessary to be referred by your G.P. just give us a call

The details of how the Day Centre runs 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 meet every Tuesday between 10am and 3pm in The Community Centre, The Close, Papworth Everard. The Centre is fully wheelchair accessible. Transport is available in certain cases.

If you would like to find out more about the Day Centre, why not call the following? We would love to hear from you.

Contact: Jenny on (01480) 492697 for further details, if there is no answer please leave a message or your name and number, and I will call back.





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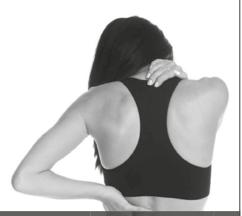
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1st Papworth Rainbows and Brownies

On 22nd December, 1st Papworth Rainbows and Brownies joined in the Village Carol Service in the village hall. The Rainbows sang a lovely rendition of 'Rudolph the Red-Nosed Reindeer' and the Brownies performed a fun Christmas-themed adaptation of a classic campfire song.

On 10th December, Rainbows and Brownies had a fun trip to the cinema for a special Girlguiding screening of Matilda the musical. The film was enjoyed by all the children, as well as the leaders and parent helpers! We joined with over 1000 Rainbows, Brownies and Guides from Cambridgeshire West for this special event.

At the end of November, the Rainbows and Brownies held a family prize bingo evening in The Studio, which was hugely successful. We had some fabulous raffle prizes, thanks to

donations from our wonderful businesses within the village and local area. The event raised over £500, and we all had a really enjoyable evening. We plan to hold another bingo evening around Easter, so look out for the date!

In our last unit meeting of the year, Rainbows and Brownies joined together for a celebratory evening of badge awards and we welcomed 10 Rainbows moving up to Brownies in January. They presented their favourite things they have done during their time at Rainbows, and all received their Gold Awards.

Happy New Year from Papworth Library!

The snows of mid-December may have vanished, but the library is still offering a warm welcome to those who wish to drop in to choose books, stay to read, relax with one of our jigsaw puzzles or use our free WiFi or a library computer. Watch out for the community jigsaw puzzle that we're hoping to get going in 2023.

To make sure we're better prepared for whatever the new year will fling, staff are happy to signpost you to information on cost of living support. We also have drop-in events coming to South Cambs in January and February. Papworth Library will be running a free Cost of Living drop-in event on Wednesday 1 February 2023, from 10am to 1pm; you're welcome to call in for a hot drink and a chat to organisations which can provide advice and support to help you through this winter and beyond. Similar drop-ins will be running at Cambourne Library (Friday 20 January 10am - 1pm), Sawston Library (Monday 23 January 2pm - 5pm), Linton Library (Tuesday 24 January 11am - 2pm) and Cottenham Library (Tuesday 7 February 12pm-3pm)

Looking to events for next year, we're pleased to say that The Library Presents has secured funding to continue their programme from April 2023 to April 2026, so watch this space for more news of their offerings. You can sign up to their monthly newsletter at https://public.govdelivery.com/accounts/UKCAMBSCC/subscriber/new

Our last The Library Presents (TLP) event, a production of Earwig, a play put on by Time & Again Theatre on Thursday 1 December, saw the library transform into a small theatre with the help of ingenious backdrops, well-chosen costumes, practised actors and an entertaining script. Deaf scientist Marigold's beetle research deservedly won a wider audience, to the satisfaction of ours.

Rainbows

We're looking forward to starting RhymeTime again on Wednesday January 4 2023 (10am – 10.30am), and seeing how many we can sign up for our First Steps Library Club for 0-4s in the new year. Each visitor in that age group gains a paw stamp on their Club card for each library visit. Six paw stamps gives them a certificate - and there are 10 certificates to collect.

Our Digital Buddy will continue to be in the library on a Tuesday morning, to help you make the most of the online world; if you'd like to make a booking to see them then do just ask at the library counter.

And if you're thinking of starting a business or have a business idea for the new year, find out how the Cambridgeshire Business & IP Centre can help you by following the link on our webpage www. cambridgeshire.gov.uk/library. Or, get in touch with us at BIPC@ cambridgeshire.gov.uk if you'd like to know more.

Opening hours for 2023 are unchanged - Tuesday 10am – 1pm, 2pm – 5pm; Wednesday 10am – 1pm, Thurs 2pm – 5pm and Sat 10pm – 1pm. Contact details: web address: www.cambridgeshire. gov.uk/library, tel 0345 045 5225, and to make an enquiry please visit https://cambridgeshire-self.achieveservice.com/service/Make_an_enquiry