



OTTERTON PARISH NEWS

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SERVICES FOR JUNE			
<u>SUNDAY 5th JUNE</u>			
9.30 am	Holy Communion	CW	East Budleigh
11.00 am	Morning Prayer		Otterton
<u>SUNDAY 12th JUNE</u>			
9.30 am	Holy Communion	CW	East Budleigh
11.00 am	Holy Communion	CW	Otterton
<u>SUNDAY 19th JUNE</u>			
9.30 am	Holy Communion	CW	East Budleigh
11.00 am	Holy Communion	CW	Otterton
<u>SUNDAY 26th JUNE</u>			
9.30 am	Holy Communion	CW	East Budleigh
11.00 am	Holy Communion	CW	Otterton
<u>SUNDAY 3rd JULY</u>			
9.30 am	Holy Communion	CW	East Budleigh
11.00 am	Morning Prayer	CW	Otterton
Morning Prayer will be said at 9.30am at East Budleigh on Tuesdays and at Otterton on Thursdays			

OTTERTON PARISH COUNCIL

The Otterton Jubilee Event – Sunday 5th June – 11am to 4.30pm on The Green



All residents are very welcome to join in this community event. To comply with our licence and to put on a safe event, we request that everyone has a ticket, whether it be a free one for parishioners who wish to bring their own table/picnic blanket, or £3 pp, £15 for 6 people who wish to have a table provided for them. Tickets are available in the Community Shop, by messaging the Parish Council on Facebook or contacting the Clerk (details below).

For anyone not wanting to provide their own picnic, fish and chip lunches are available to order by emailing kaseydunning@ladrambay.co.uk

For further information and updates please visit the Parish Council Facebook page which is up and running, and please follow us for up-to-date village news and events.

The next Otterton Parish Council meeting will be held on 6th June 2022 in the Village Hall at 7.30pm when we will be discussing again the thorny issues of traffic and parking in the village, dog fouling, and refurbishing the Jubilee playpark. If you can help or would like to have your say on any of these subjects, then do come along.

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View from The Vicarage

Dear friends,

After a meeting finished late, we decided to take an evening stroll around our lovely garden. It was warm and still and against the darkening sky I noticed lots of bats flying this way and that. It was a special moment that lifted the spirits and you found yourself not wanting to talk but just to enjoy the present moment, appreciate all that life had given you.

Of course, when you emerge from that moment of reverie, all your own pressures and problems and all the problems of the world are still there but for that instant you discern a greater reality that is always there, lying just beneath the surface of our normal workaday lives.

The still centre that lies at the core of every one of us is always there, always within our grasp but drowned out by the noise and busyness of our everyday lives.

The art of contemplation is to cultivate those times when you can access that part of yourself that is the true essence of yourself and where mystics across the centuries have attested that this is where you and God meet – at the still centre of your very being.

In order to live and negotiate his hectic three-year ministry, Jesus often took time to retreat to a quiet place to pray and restore his energy. People often say that they don't know how to pray or what to pray for, but prayer can also be wordless communion with the world around you, for the world around you is where the Spirit of God resides and you can access him in the dark quiet still centre of yourself.

As a common start to a Christian service attests very directly – 'The Lord is here – his Spirit is with us. Always!'

Martin

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A message from June Kennard-Simpson

I have been quite overwhelmed by all the letters, cards and prayers I received when Bruce passed away. Thank you to everyone in our wonderful caring village for their kindness and support.

CHURCH DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sunday 26th June - Open Gardens

Sunday 17th July - Fête on the Village Green

Friday 7th October - Harvest Supper in the Village Hall 7.30pm

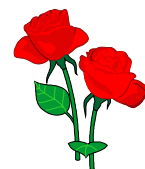


OPEN GARDENS – Sunday 26th June - 11.00am to 5.00pm

9 gardens to enjoy for £5 (Under 16s go free)

Refreshments in the Village Hall from 11.00am to 4.30pm.

Plant Stall - Please bring any you wish to sell to The Green at 10.00am on the day,
or drop them in to April Cottage.



BOOK STALL

Chris Ault will be running a book stall on The Green on Sunday 26th June as part of the Open Gardens Day. She will be selling good quality paperback fiction and children's books. **Book donations would be appreciated before 26th June and she is happy to collect. Tel: 01395 567337.**

JUNE 'THANK YOU'

This month we say 'Goodbye' to Jill and Richard Gladstone, who leave Flintstone Lodge after many years, for their new home in Sidmouth. They have been so much a part of village life that it is hard to imagine Otterton without them. Amongst other things, Jill has been a driving force in the Community Shop, working tirelessly on the Management Committee, helping to make it the excellent shop that it is.

Richard, well known for his photographic and gardening skills, has been a wonderful neighbour, helping anyone in need and welcoming newcomers and visitors to our village.

We are sad to see them go but wish them every happiness in their new home and beautiful garden.

Jill and Richard, thank you for being such good friends and neighbours and for all you have done in Otterton. We will miss you.

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OTTERTON C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

We have been really busy since Easter at Otterton C of E Primary School. Otters and Hedgehogs have been spending time at our school allotment which, thanks to the help of some of our parents and children who held a 'Big Dig', is looking wonderful and the children have started planting some plants and seeds; they can't wait to see how they grow!

The year 6 children have taken their SATS and have been on their residential trip to Pixie's Holt on Dartmoor where they enjoyed some much-needed fun time alongside the children from Drake's. They took part in lots of different activities including orienteering, caving and weaselling and they have also enjoyed a Water Sports Day in Exmouth, where they took part in a variety of water activities such as paddle boarding and kayaking.

We are looking forward to celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We will be having a tea party on 26th May which the children are very excited about and the children of Heron Class have learnt a song which they will be performing for their parents. We are then having a special Jubilee Lunch on the last day of this half term.

Heron Class will be taking part in the Kingfisher Award Scheme this year and it starts with a farm field day at Stantyway Farm. After the farm visit, we will have some time to undertake school-based project work before taking a display of what the children have learned to Bicton Arena on Monday 4th July. A panel of judges will assess all entries and talk to the children about what they have got from the Kingfisher experience. Each school will receive feedback and a gift for taking part. The runners-up will receive prize money along with the winning school, who will also be presented with the Kingfisher trophy.

Preparations are also under way for Swimming lessons, Year 5 and 6 Bikeability, Sports Day which we are excited about inviting parents to this year, and our annual Sports Enrichment Day when we join with Drake's C of E Primary School and the children get to take part in a variety of special sporting activities with coaching sessions provided by Saints South West, Exeter Chiefs, Premier Sports and more.

There are also upcoming transition sessions for the new Reception intake for September; we are very much looking forward to welcoming lots of new children to the Otterton family. We have space in our pre-school from September for children to start with us from the term after their third birthday; please call us on 01395 568326 or email adminotterton@thelink.academy for more information.

OTTERTON GARDEN CLUB – MAY TALK AND SOCIAL EVENING

Some welcome rain at last - just in time to refresh our gardens (and the weeds as well alas!).

Our next event is the **Autumn Show** which will be held on **Saturday 10th September**. The home-made produce entries will be 3 sausage rolls; banana loaf; 3 flapjacks and for men only, 3 chocolate muffins. The photographic themes will be "People and Gardens" and "Treescapes" so plenty of time to practice your baking and to take some lovely photographs. Our next talk will be in October so in the meantime we wish you and your gardens a wonderful Summer.

COMMUNITY SHOP/OTTERTON RELIEF IN NEED (ORIN)

As readers may know, Otterton Community Shop has donated £1,831 to the village charity Otterton Relief in Need, which supports those within the Parish requiring financial assistance. The donation results from the Community Shop Voucher Scheme under which every household in the village was given vouchers to the value of £20 to spend in the shop. Residents were also given the option of donating the face value of their vouchers to ORIN, which many did. Jeremy Wakeling, Chairman of the Shop Management Committee, said that "the original aspiration of those who set up the Otterton Community Shop was that it might one day make a surplus large enough to allow money to be paid back into the village. The success of the Shop over the past two years made this possible and the response from the village has been fantastic. It is hoped that we may be able to repeat the Voucher Scheme again later this year and fully expect equal generosity from the village, enabling us to continue supporting ORIN, which is doing such valuable and largely unseen work within the village community." On 28th April, Jeremy presented the cheque to Reverend Martin Jacques, Chairman of ORIN.



OTTERTON COMMUNITY SHOP

In support of the Jubilee Picnic on the Village Green (5th June 2022), the shop will be selling ice creams at a 'Jubilee discount' so whether you are picnicking or simply passing by, come and enjoy a celebratory treat during what we all hope will be a joyous and relaxing Jubilee weekend.

With this edition of the Parish News is our first Meat List of items not normally stocked but available to order by simply calling the shop. The quality of Greendale's meat is well appreciated and with an introductory 10% discount on orders from the list, we hope that you will be encouraged to buy and continue doing so.

Finally, shareholders are reminded that the OCS AGM will take place in the Village Hall at 7.00 p.m. on Tuesday 21st June 2022. We look forward to seeing you there.

EAST BUDLEIGH SCARECROW FESTIVAL

Saturday 11th and Sunday 12th June, 11am-4pm. Refreshments available. Activities include: Church Tower visits, knitting display, East Devon Rock Choir, rally and classic cars, dog show and Songs of Praise.

CLINTON DEVON ESTATES – from Kate Ponting, Countryside Learning Officer

No report from Kate this month. She hopes to be back for the July Parish News.

THE KING'S ARMS

Open every day for food. We look forward to seeing you. For more information, please visit www.kingsarmsotterton.co.uk

OTTERTON MILL

News - with the weather improving, keen gardeners will be pleased to see our new range of beautiful plants from a local supplier; they are proving very popular so do come and have a look before they all disappear. We are carrying on with our very popular Friday freshly cooked fish & chips and artisan pizzas, served from 5pm to 7pm; to pre book please ring the restaurant on 01395 567041.

Music - 10th - Jim Causley - Since the release of his debut album in 2005, Causley's unique voice and persona have helped him become one of the most well-loved and respected figures of today's contemporary roots and folk scene. A prolific collaborator, Causley is hugely admired for his work with iconic groups The Devil's Interval and Mawkin as well as playing, touring and recording alongside Waterson:Carthy, John McCusker, Eddie Reader, Graham Coxson, Shirley Collins, Michael Morpurgo, Show of Hands, Kate Rusby, David Rotheray of Beautiful South fame and many more. He was described by Mojo Magazine as "the finest singer of his generation" and they put Forgotten Kingdom in their Top Ten Folk Albums of 2016 list. Westcountry father of folk Geoff Lakeman described Causley as possessing "A voice in a million" in a recent interview in the Western Morning News, some accolade indeed! To book please ring the ticket line 01395 568521. Tickets £15.00 (price covers the music only).

Milling - 5th & 19th

THE LOOKOUT FROM LADRAM

We really hope that you all have had the opportunity to enjoy some of the lovely sunshine we have experienced recently. Hopefully you have some Jubilee celebrations under way as well.

We still have some employment vacancies for the Summer, perfect for students, with positions including Lifeguards, Housekeeping team, Restaurant and Bar team, Chefs, Kitchen Team, Maintenance, Reception, Security, Takeaway assistants, plus supervisors. Submit your CV and covering letter to info@ladrambay.co.uk to be considered.

As usual, we will endeavour to keep you informed with the deliveries/collections of Holiday Homes over the coming weeks. This will always be between 10am and 2pm and NOT at peak holiday times. Information will be updated on the Friends of Otterton Facebook page.

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<p>TAXI SERVICE: Available for local and long-distance journeys, including airport runs. For more information, please contact Barry on 07925 933100.</p>

PLEASE NOTE that entries for Otterton Parish News should be sent to **Jill Beacham** - email: jill@beacham.co.uk - 01395 446433 **Deadline for July edition is Thursday 16th June latest please.**