

OTTERTON PARISH NEWS
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SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER			
<u>SUNDAY 3rd NOVEMBER – All Saints Patronal Festival</u>			
10.00 am	Holy Communion	CW	East Budleigh
3.00 pm	All Souls Service		St Peter's
<u>SUNDAY 10th NOVEMBER- Remembrance Sunday</u>			
9.30 am	Holy Communion	CW	East Budleigh
11.00 am	Remembrance Service at the War Memorial		East Budleigh
11.00 am	Remembrance Service starting at War Memorial		Otterton
<u>SUNDAY 17th NOVEMBER</u>			
9.30 am	Holy Communion	CW	East Budleigh
11.00 am	Holy Communion	CW	Otterton
<u>SUNDAY 24th NOVEMBER</u>			
9.30 am	Holy Communion	CW	East Budleigh
11.00 am	Holy Communion	CW	Otterton
<u>SUNDAY 1st DECEMBER</u>			
9.30 am	Holy Communion	CW	East Budleigh
11.00 am	Holy Communion	CW	Otterton
Morning Prayer will be said Tuesday, 9.30am at East Budleigh, and Thursday, 9.30am at Otterton.			

OTTERTON RELIEF IN NEED CHARITY

If you are having financial problems, be they short or long term, please contact one of the Trustees of "Otterton Relief" listed below:

Mrs Pat Parkin, Oak Cottage, Behind Hayes, Otterton Tel: 567003. Email pat.parkin@btinternet.com

Mrs Beryl Millington, 17 The Green, Otterton. Tel: 568021. Email gerald.millington@btinternet.com

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Rev Martin Jacques, The Vicarage, East Budleigh. Tel: 443473 or 07795025016. Email revmartinjacques@gmail.com

The organisation was formed to help residents of Otterton when they have financially difficult times. For example, we could help when one hears of people borrowing money to settle their household bills and paying large amounts of interest; when people in the village suffer from depression because they are so worried by how they can pay their bills; when family problems mean there is either insufficient money coming in or there is no money available for an unexpected family emergency. We can give you a grant to help you overcome your problems. This grant has no strings. If you feel you want to pay it back, there will be no interest to pay, or you can simply treat it as a kind donation: either way is fine. Furthermore, everything is treated with the utmost confidence.

Don't hesitate...we could make a difference to your day-to-day living.

View from The Vicarage

One of my favourite films is "Pulp Fiction" (not for the faint-hearted) and there is a line that goes "Just because you *are* a character doesn't mean you *have* character". Character is defined as the moral qualities distinctive to an individual. Behaviour displaying high moral qualities is called virtue and the cultivation of virtue is what is sorely needed in a world where the dominant traits appear to be lying, greed, self-interest, pride and deception.

Christianity is often reduced to simply being a moral code. I would counter that by saying that first and foremost it is a relationship with God framed by Grace, forgiveness, peace and service, but it would be disingenuous to say that the cultivation of moral virtue is not important. One aspect of the importance of morals is that they act as a sign of the presence of God's Spirit working within a person.

Good conduct is the result not so much of obeying a set of rules from outside oneself but as an inward response to the Grace one has received from God.

Actually, one of the best descriptions of good character I know comes from the poem "If" by Rudyard Kipling. What Kipling actually believed is open to speculation and we know he was influenced by many different religions, but he was certain of the existence of a personal God, and in his writings beautifully affirms the virtues of compassion, forgiveness and self-sacrifice.

In a fast changing and confusing world that wherever you look, people seem to be losing their bearings, Christ the anchor (anchored in God) is a much needed and worthwhile metaphor and example to follow.

Love and peace,

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COUNTY COUNCIL

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DISTRICT COUNCIL

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OTTERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Many thanks to the families that came along to the Village meeting in October to discuss the spending of the 106 funding. We now have a positive plan for the future.

A few quick reminders to all residents:

We are coming up to firework season - please do be considerate to your neighbours and pets and do not light fireworks late into the night or where you know they may have a detrimental effect on people or animals.

The maintenance of hedges, banks and keeping the stream clear of weeds is the responsibility of residents whose home has either a bank or hedges and/or is bordered by the stream. This is always important but becomes essential during the wet winter months.

Evenings will now be very dark; please ensure that all dog walkers carry a lit torch for their safety and to enable them to clear up after their dog. Thank you as ever for your support.

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on 4th November 2019 in the committee room of the Village hall commencing at 7.30pm - all welcome.

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THE RALEIGH FEDERATION – Otterton C of E Primary School

It has been a really busy half term at Otterton with sporting events, trips and some really great learning opportunities. Kingfishers class visited the Eden Project to complement their learning this term on Biomes and how plants and animals adapt to their environment. They took part in a 'Brilliant Botanists' workshop where they used data loggers to collect data about leaves and the physical conditions of Biomes. They also had a chance to explore and find out more about the plants and animals that can survive in the differing environments.

Several children took part in the KS2 Cyclo-Cross event at Bicton Arena. There were lots of competitors, all competing at once and despite it being quite a difficult course, with lots of uphill and downhill sections and tight bends, the children all did brilliantly with both the Year 3/4 Boys and Year 3/4 Girls taking third place overall in the competition.

Otters Class had an amazing visit from a crew from Budleigh Salterton Fire Station; the children really enjoyed exploring the Fire Engine and the highlight of the visit for many of them was being able to have a go at operating the fire hose!

Our lovely Toddler Group is going from strength to strength; it is really lovely seeing all the children getting along and watching friendships emerge. If you haven't yet attended one of our groups then you are most welcome to come along on a Wednesday morning 9.30-11am at the school (term-time only).

We are looking forward to another busy half term in the run up to Christmas, with productions, carol singing and a trip to the pantomime all on the calendar!

OTTERTON COMMUNITY SHOP UPDATE

We were delighted with the support for our 'coffee and cake' morning for Macmillan Cancer Support, which raised £272.00. Now that summer has ended, we have returned to shorter opening hours on Sundays. We are now open from 8.30am until 1pm on Sundays, which seems popular with our local customers.

OTTERTON GARDEN CLUB

19th November is our end of season social evening with a talk by Paul Rendell, also known as 'Dartmoor Paul' on 'Hairy hands, Devils and Black dogs'. Witches, devils, hairy hands and wild animals can all be found in this talk which is about legends and folklore on Dartmoor. Paul is an enthusiastic speaker and we expect an entertaining (and maybe a bit scary) talk. Our social evening will include complimentary drinks and a selection of snacks provided by our members. The talk will be held at Otterton Village Hall, starting at 7.30pm and visitors are very welcome. Admission to talks is free for members and £5 for non-members, food and drinks included. For more information about the Club go to www.ottertongardenclub.co.uk

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

During the past month documents listing the comments made by all of you who live and work in the Parish, during the 6-week consultation period, have been loaded onto the village website and they can be found under the Neighbourhood Plan tab. They also contain comments made by the Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group. Paper copies of these are available for you to read in the Community Shop. The responses received from some of the major stakeholders including Clinton Devon Estates, East Devon District Council and Ladram Bay Holiday Park are also available on the website for you to read.

We are just carrying out a final review of our Neighbourhood Plan version V0.18 and as soon as this has been completed, it will be loaded onto the village website for you to read and will be submitted to our Parish Council for approval.

OTTERTON FILM CLUB

The screening of "Fisherman's Friends", the first of the season, was very well attended and was enjoyed by all. The next film will be "Red Joan" starring Judi Dench, to be shown on 8th November. If you would like to become a member of Otterton Film Club, application forms can be collected from and returned to, the Community Shop.

JUMBLE SALE

The **Former Little Otters** are holding a fundraising **Jumble Sale on 2nd November at East Budleigh Village Hall** from 10am – 12noon. The wonderful support of the community at our last sale meant that we sent over **£400 to Exmouth & Lymstone Hospiscare** as well as supporting many local charities with goods. This time we are raising money for **Pete's Dragons**, the wonderful Exmouth charity that supports families facing bereavement through the suicide of a family member. As usual we will also support the schools of the Raleigh Community, CR2EE, Turnaround and the local charity shops by passing on any leftover donations. If you have a donation of jumble, please leave in the Information Point of the East Budleigh Village Hall or phone Fran on 568732 for collection. Do come along and support us and grab yourself a bargain and a cup of tea or coffee. We look forward to seeing you on 2nd November.

OTTERTON MILL

We will be launching our new **Evening Rustic Dining on Friday 29th November** at the Mill. Pre booking is required; the three-course menu will feature local produce from our kitchen team with options for each course; we will be holding two further events on 13th and 20th December. Tickets are priced at £29.95; please call 01395 567041 to book.

The Mill will be gearing up for the festive season with plenty to see and do; our arts and crafts have some wonderful unique gift ideas and the farm shop will be taking orders for both Hampers and fresh baked Christmas produce.

Milling: We will be undertaking essential maintenance work this month to the Mill apparatus and whilst the Millers will be on hand on both 7th and 21st, we are unlikely to be operating the Mill wheel.

THE KING'S ARMS

- Thurs 31st Oct - Spookalicious Halloween Party 4-7pm – Games and food for the children of the Village. Free for all!
- Wed 6th Nov - Quiz Night starting 8pm – Test your General Knowledge against our Quiz Master. Reserving a table this month is highly recommended as there is already VERY high interest.
- Tuesday Mornings - Art History Talks with Lin Holdridge starting at 10.30am.
- Mon 18th Nov - Talking Pictures with Maggie Giroud starting at 10.30am.
- Don't forget you can join us for breakfast and Rugby World Cup matches with the final being screened at 9am on 2nd November.
- We are now taking bookings for Christmas Parties and Christmas Day. Check out our website for details or pop in to collect a menu.

CLINTON DEVON ESTATES – from Kate Ponting, Countryside Learning Officer

No report this month.

THE LOOKOUT FROM LADRAM – from Carla Newman, Marketing & Events Manager

Looking to get fit for the winter? Or perhaps somewhere for the family to let off steam? Our sensational winter pool membership is available from 6th November 2019 until 1st March 2020. Membership includes unlimited use of the pool facilities, indoor splash zone, adventure golf & gym, and prices are just £65 adult, £25 child & £130 for a family pass. Open 5 days a week (Wednesday - Sunday) between 10am – 6pm with free winter parking, now's the time to enjoy our 5-star facilities. To purchase, simply bring your passport sized photos to Reception and our friendly team will create your passes. (These facilities will be closed between 23/12/19 - 26/12/19 and 30/12/19 - 1/1/20 inclusive.) Children's parties also available throughout winter – simply enquire with our team by emailing leewilson@ladrambay.co.uk

Take full advantage of the Ladram Stores winter opening hours daily between 9am – 5pm, perfect for your essentials & fresh bakery produce. (Please note the shop will be closed between 22/12/19 - 1/1/20 inclusive)

As usual, we will endeavour to keep you informed of the deliveries/collections of Holiday Homes throughout the winter. Information will be updated on both the village website & the Friends of Otterton Facebook page.

POLICE

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Emergency 999; General Enquiries number 101;

exmouth@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk; <http://www.ukcrimestats.com/>

TAXI SERVICE

Available for local and long-distance journeys, including airport runs. For more information, please contact Barry on 07925 933100.

SALEM CHAPEL AND SCHOOLROOM, EAST BUDLEIGH

• **Availability:** These unique and interesting buildings - **Grade 2* listed** - are available for hire. The Schoolroom can be hired separately and has toilets and a small kitchen. The buildings are suitable for a wide range of activities and our rates are **reasonab**

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e. If you are interested, please contact **(01395) 446189** or email salembookingseb@mail.com Alternatively, use the contact page on the HCT (The Historic Chapels Trust) www.hct.org.uk

• **Events:** These are generally advertised on the adjoining Stable door below the Schoolroom / Meeting Room.

• Salem Chapel is owned by the '**Historic Chapels Trust**' and managed by the '**Churches Conservation Trust**', Charity no 1017321.

HISTORY OF OTTERTON.....Did you know?

Wheelwrights are not mentioned in the village until after the new Otterton Bridge was built in 1827. Sherman Robins and John Baker had been trading as carpenters and joiners in the 1840s, and in 1847 the latter took over the lease of Bramley Cottage and established the family wheelwrights business which flourished in Otterton until it closed in the mid 20th century. Sherman Robins also turned to making wheels and may have been with the Bakers. He died in 1888.

Gerald Millington

PLEASE NOTE that entries for Otterton Parish News should be sent to **Jill Beacham** - email: jill@beacham.co.uk

PHONE NUMBER HAS CHANGED - 01395 446433

Deadline for December edition is Monday 18th November LATEST please