

Bodenham Newsletter



May 2015

5th	Gardening Club	16th	Marden WI Table Sale
7th	Mothers' Union	18th	Carers' Meeting
7th	Knit-In	26th	Flood Group Meeting
7th	Local and General Elections		
11th	Leisure Club	June	
11th	Parish Council Meeting	2nd	Gardening Club
13th	BWg to Hereford Cathedral		

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St Michael & All Angels' Church, Bodenham

Dear Friends,

Afraid, alone, in pain.

Be the answer to Loko's prayer this Christian Aid Week.

This Christian Aid Week, you can help transform the lives of women like Loko. From 10-16 May, churches the length and breadth of Britain and Ireland will come together to pray, campaign and raise money to improve the lives of people like Loko.

Every year, 100,000 volunteers demonstrate God's love for the poor by taking part in house-to-house collections for Christian Aid. This fantastic witness is a chance to take the mission of the church into your community.

Loko's choice in life is simple: 'If I can't collect firewood, my children will die.'

Four times a week, in a remote corner of Ethiopia, Loko makes a back-breaking eight-hour trip to gather wood. It's a task she dreads, but she steels herself to do it because if she doesn't her children will starve. She prays to God as she walks. 'I ask him to change my life and lead us out of this,' she says.

Just £5 could give Loko a loan to start her own business buying and selling tea and coffee, freeing her from her desperate task and allowing her to spend more time caring for her family.

Christian Aid works with a partner organisation in Ethiopia, called HUNDEE. This organisation was established in 1995, HUNDEE is a local non-governmental organization based on the philosophy that poor rural communities should be responsible for their own development. HUNDEE acts as a facilitator in this process. HUNDEE's major programs include community organizing, cereal bank promotion and networks, community education, environmental rehabilitation, and women's and older persons' economic support.

HUNDEE's mission is to enable small farmers, women, older persons, youth and other marginalized groups to get organized around common issues of concern for livelihoods, and to revitalize proven community based traditional support system & institutions; to reduce vulnerability of target groups to transitory food shortage, to enable target groups to rehabilitate their degraded land; to empower women to attain economic and social rights, and eradicate all forms of violence and discrimination against them. By supporting Christian Aid we support the work of partner organisations that work to encourage and help women like Loko.

*Great God, our creator, who challenges injustice from a wooden cross,
kindle in us that same passion for justice that inspires Christian Aid's partner HUNDEE.*

Strengthen, we pray, the hundreds of Lokos gathering the firewood of survival.

*Spark, in Loko, the flame of your hope that it may burn brightly in Ethiopia, in Britain and Ireland and
throughout this, the world that you have created.*

(Prayer for Christian Aid Week)

May we do all we can this May to help women like Loko and the thousands of other people and communities that Christian Aid support throughout the year.

Yours in Christ,
Heather

SUNDAY SERVICES MAY 2015

- May 3rd** 9.30am Holy Communion
(The Revd Heather Short)
6.00pm Evensong
- May 10th** 9.30am Sung Eucharist
(The Revd Heather Short)
- May 17th** 9.30am Family Communion
(The Revd Heather Short)
6.00pm Evensong
- May 24th** 9.30am Sung Eucharist
(The Revd Alison Leigh)
- May 31st** 10.00am **GROUP SERVICE** - Marden
(The Revd Heather Short)

NB: Evensong will normally include hymns and be led by one of the Churchwardens.

HOLY COMMUNION AT SIWARD JAMES

There will be a service of Holy Communion at Siward James on Friday, May 22nd at 11.00am.
All are welcome to attend.

NOTE: not the usual last Friday of the month because of holidays.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

The Parish Council Election on 7th May

There will be no election for the 10 seats on Bodenham Parish Council on 7th May, because only 7 nomination papers were submitted.

However, there will be an election for the Hampton Court Ward to replace Councillor Jeremy Millar, who is standing down.

The candidates, in alphabetical order, are: Bruce Baker (Conservative), Sasha Norris (It's Our County) and Angela Verley (unattached).

Litter Pick

The litter pick held on Saturday 11th April was a great success, as the photograph below shows. 23 bags of rubbish were collected, plus 8 tyres and various other items too large to fit in bags. Thanks are due to the volunteers, namely: - Gwen and Bob Bowden, Rebecca and Tim Burnill, Kay and Tony Clark, Wendy and Dave Curd, Nina and Simon Dowler, Jennifer Easson, Robin George, Ann Hartfield, Tony Howell, Steve Lavender, Babs and Tony Mitcheson, Jo Morgan, Jenny and Nick Nicolson, Lyn and Jeff Pollard, Rhian Powell, John Rice, Chris Smith, Kathy Tremain. Thanks are also due to the staff at Balfour Beatty, who provided the safety and litter picking equipment and removed the rubbish promptly on the following Monday morning.



Potholes

The Parish Lengthsman can now fill smaller potholes. The procedure for arranging for the Lengths man to fill potholes is rather complicated. In the first instance, please report the pothole to the Parish Clerk at 01568-797132 or bodenhampcclerk@gmail.com . He will then arrange for the Locality Steward and the Lengthsman to inspect the pothole together. They will decide whether the size of the pothole is such that the Lengthsman can repair it or whether it needs Balfour Beatty's specialist team to do the job.

Planning applications

The Parish Council considered the following planning application:

* 150871: Ashgrove Croft, Marden.

Variation of conditions to allow for the siting of an additional 4 static and 4 touring caravans and an ablution block (instead of the permitted stable block). The Parish Council raised a number of concerns about this application, which will be passed on to Herefordshire Council. Because the site lies in Marden, Marden Parish Council will be expected to take the lead on responses to the application.

Bodenham Surgery

Some residents in Bodenham have received letters offering a postal prescription service.

These letters **have not** come from The Marches GP Practice, which offers a full prescription service at the Bodenham Surgery.

Local residents are very much encouraged to use the service at the Surgery since it helps to ensure the future of the Surgery in the Village.

Parish Meetings

The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place at 7.00pm on **Monday 11th May** at the Siward James Centre. The Meeting will commence with the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Parish Council Meeting, at which a new Parish Council will be formed.

Copies of the agenda and draft minutes of the previous meetings are placed in advance on parish notice boards and on the Parish Website (www.bodenhamparish.org.uk).

Everyone is most welcome to attend and raise any matters of concern during the slot reserved for this purpose. If you prefer, you can raise matters in advance by contacting Chris Smith, Parish Clerk, on 01568-797132 or by email at bodenhampcclerk@gmail.com.

The Parish Website.....

..... is continually updated. Find the latest news on the Bodenham Neighbourhood Plan there. The Home page now shows a list of future events in chronological order, as well as the latest notices, addresses to go to find out about Bodenham past, present and future, local news and crime prevention alerts. www.bodenhamparish.org.uk is the website address. You can also find the Bodenham Newsletter there.

BODENHAM PARISH COUNCIL 2014-15

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Cllr Alec Avery,	shalec50@gmail.com	01568 797744
Cllr Bob Clarke	rwc@steppes.plus.com	01568 797670
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Cllr Pam James-Moore	pamelajamesmoore@btinternet.com	01568 797330
Cllr Robin Knott	robinknott835@btinternet.com	01568 797835
Cllr Tony Mitcheson	BabsMitcheson@aol.com	01568 797170
Cllr Jeffrey Pollard	jeffpollarddecorating@gmail.com	01568 797228
Cllr Rhian Powell	rhiannon.powell@gmail.com	01568 797132

(Cllr Mitcheson is the chairman: Cllr Clarke is the vice-chairman).

BODENHAM CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

(Chapel Lane, Bodenham)

Programme for **May 2015**

Date	Time	Service & Leader
3rd	9.00am	Praise and Prayer
3rd	10.30am	Worship Service - Steve Sully
10th	10.30am	Worship Service - Philip Thompsett
17th	10.30pm	Fellowship Service and Communion
31st	10.30am	Worship Service - Roger Chilvers

Praise and Prayer on Sunday 3rd May will be followed by a simple breakfast. Coffee will be served after all services.

Cafe @ Chapel meets every **Thursday** morning. Why not call in for a coffee and a chat at any time between 10.30am and 12 noon.

Midweek Study & Discussion Group meets on **Thursdays at 7.30pm** at the Chapel.

In May we continue the course of eight specially written Bible studies on the subject of Christian Healing. Topics include: Praying for physical healing, Praying for inner healing & Diagnosing deeper problems.

For more information contact Peter Lefroy-Owen.

Ladies Bible Study, at the Chapel at 9.45am on **Tuesdays 5th & 19th May** A new study in Psalms will commence on May 5th. All ladies are very welcome. Please contact Margaret Seccombe (797094) for further details.

Bodenham Christian Fellowship:
Contact Peter Lefroy-Owen (760580)
Secretary: Pat Horrigan (797044)

BODENHAM MOTHERS' UNION

Thursday 7th May 10.30am - Bluebell Walk in Queenswood.

Branch leader: Pat Horrigan

Email: mu@themothersunion.org

BODENHAM ROMANIA SUPPORT GROUP

Thursday 7th May 2- 4pm Knit-In at 14 Brockington Road. All welcome.



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BODENHAM LEISURE CLUB

On Monday 11th May we meet in the Parish Hall at 2.30pm for an afternoon of Bingo. This is always enjoyable and fun so do join us.

We shall have the Sales Table in operation, there will be a Raffle and light refreshments will be available.

Monday 25th May is a Bank Holiday so there will be NO meeting. Enjoy the break.

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GARDENING CLUB

May 5th. Club plant sale All plants for your pots and baskets grown locally by our Chairman.

June 2nd. Rhododendrons Steve Lloyd of Hergest Croft. Tickets on sale for Summer Party.

July 7th. Summer Party 7pm. TICKET ONLY.

Visitors always welcome. We have a sales table and raffle

Jacqui Price

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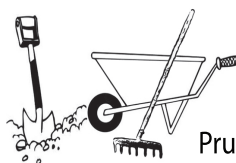
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PARISH HALL NEWS

ENTERTAINMENT

Flicks in the Sticks

Flicks has finished for the season, and will restart in September with a new programme selected by Linda Creaton (contact details below).

Arts Alive

Red Moon Road In Concert were a great success, attracting an audience of over 80 drawn from across Herefordshire and parts of Shropshire (though not too many from Bodenham!). The small band helping Dennis Jackson with the organisation (Gwen, Bob, Steve, Kath and Tricia) were extremely stretched, and the bar had to be restocked twice during the evening.

Plans are now in place to book the next Arts Alive event, for the autumn. Further details to follow.

100 CLUB

100 Club Results for March & April as follows:

MARCH:

- 1). No 10, Mary James.
- 2). No. 64, Margaret Minchin
- 3). No 115, Elaine Lones

APRIL:

- 1). No. 78, Mike James
- 2). No. 91, John Rice
- 3). No. 49, Julia Parker

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Next Management Committee meetings: 7.30 pm **Wednesday 13th May**, and 7.30 p.m. **Wednesday 8th July 2015.**

Members of the public are very welcome to attend.

Parish Hall Management Committee:

<i>Robin Knott</i>	<i>Chair</i>	<i>01568 797835</i>
<i>Gwenllian Bowden</i>	<i>Secretary</i>	<i>797868</i>
<i>Bob Clarke</i>	<i>Treasurer</i>	<i>797670</i>
<i>Ian Linton</i>	<i>Vice-Chair</i>	<i>797375</i>
<i>Laura Marsh</i>	<i>Mins Secretary</i>	<i>797529</i>
<i>Ida Knott</i>	<i>Bookings Sec</i>	<i>797333</i>
<i>Linda Creaton</i>	<i>Flicks</i>	<i>797473</i>
<i>Robert Parker</i>	<i>100 Club</i>	<i>797091</i>
<i>Margaret Hughes</i>		<i>797285</i>
<i>Roz Reader</i>		<i>797246</i>
<i>Rhian Powell</i>		<i>797132</i>

**To Book the Parish Hall, please ring
Ida on 01568 797333**

Club	Meets	Contact
Leisure Club	Monthly on the 2nd and 4th Mondays 2.30 - 4pm	Gwenllian Bowden - Secretary 01568 797868
Gardening Club	Monthly on the 1st Tuesday 7.30pm	David Griffiths 01568 797427
Flicks in the Sticks	Sept - April 2nd Friday 7.30pm	Chris & Mike James 01568 797451

Weekly	Activity	Contact
Mondays	Tai Chi 10 - 11.30am (TT) Body Toning conditioning Class 6.30 - 7.30pm Glow-With-Figure-Fitness 8pm	Julian Kemp 01568 614468 Emma Caldwell 01568 797107 07971009691 ejcaldwell@hotmail.co.uk annebliss@btconnect.com 01568 760860
Tuesdays	Pilates 6 - 7pm Airgun Club	Emma Caldwell (as above) Ian Linton 01568 797375
Wednesdays	Tai Chi 9.30 - 11am (TT) Yoga 6 - 7.30pm (TT) Badminton 8pm	Julian Kemp (as above) Fiona Hawkins 01432 860270 Rob Parker 01568 797091
Thursdays	Belly Dancing 7- 8pm & 8 - 9.30pm	Abby Mason 07962 161081 alanya@alanyabellydance.com
Fridays	Over 50s Exercise 9 -10am Pilates	Miranda Davies 01432 830675 Emma Caldwell (see above)

Hourly Rates

Main Hall £9.50 (minimum charge £12)
Committee Room £5.00 (minimum charge £6)
Stage Only £5.00 (minimum charge 5.50)

Store/Back Room £8.00 per Evening
Party/Dance/Disco £120.00 (£100 deposit)
Concert/Musical Evening £60.00
Quiz Night £30.00
Bingo £30.00
Children's Party (under 14 years) £25.00
Jumble Sale £45.00
Wedding Afternoon Only - £150.00
(Clear by 6pm)
All Day £200.00
Previous Day at Hourly Rate.

BODENHAM FLOOD PROTECTION GROUP

Bodenham Sandbag Cages Key Holder List

All the sandbags in the cages in the village have now been replenished. Should you need access to them in an emergency, please note the BFPG Area Representative closest to your holding cage and their contact details. If you are unable to contact your Area Representative then please ring the Spare Key Holders listed below.

Name	Area Rep
Bob Pritchard 01568 797428	Chapel Lane/ Orchard Close
Mike Stephens 01568 797816 07779 407605	Chapel Lane/ Orchard Close
Anthony Giampalma 07970 285020	Parish Hall
Mike Mullenger 01568 797199	Bodenham School Car Park
Tony Mitcheson Chairman 01568 797170	Spare Key
Babs Mitcheson Secretary 01568 797170	Spare Key
The Warden 01568 797412	Siward James
Tony Clark 01568 797943	Spare Key



***Bodenham* Carers Support Group**

The group meets from 2.00pm – 3.30 pm on the third
Monday of each month at
Siward James Community Centre

2015 Spring programme

16 th Feb	SAAFA (TBC)
16 th Mar	Health Watch
20 th Apr	Anita Harvey, Dishley Footcare
18 th May	Contingency Planning

Please just come along or for further details please call Helen on
01432 356068 or email: helenwhitmore@herefordshirecarers.co.uk

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Secretary: Mrs Babs Mitcheson

The Moor:

The Moor Road: Mr Tony Clark: 797943
Orchard Close/Chapel Lane: Mr Robert Pritchard: 797428
Brockington Road (2 -31& 35): Mr Simon Dowler: 797363
Brockington Road (1, 32-34, 36 – 42A): Mrs Rebecca Burnill: 797823
Brockington Road (43- 54): Mrs Gwen Bowden: 797868
Siward James: The Warden : 797412
Ash Grove Close: Mrs Jean Fryer: 797338
Ash Grove View: Mr David Harris: 797575
Ash Grove View: Cllr Alec Avery: 797744
Millcroft Road: Miss Barbara Gibson: 797643

Bodenham Village:

Bridge to War Memorial:
Mr Mike Mullenger: 797199
Church and Bodenham Village:
Mr David Ayshford Sanford: 797549

Maud Bryn:
Mr Philip Broomhead 797167

Meetings are open to ALL MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

All Meetings, unless otherwise notified will be held on the last Tuesday
of the month at Siward James Centre starting at 7.30 pm

This Month's Meeting:

May 26th

If you are unable to attend or have points which you would like to be raised at the
meeting, please contact the Secretary, Mrs Babs Mitcheson on 797170
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As usual, there will be a house-to-house collection during May. If you receive an envelope through your door, please give as generously as you can.

A small gift from us means a terrific difference in the quality of life for many people in need in other parts of the world. We are so fortunate to have all that we have in this country and we should take time to think of others.

If you have a few hours to spare during Christian aid week, we can always do with a few more collectors and I would be very grateful if you would contact me.

Veronica Howell.

Christian Aid Week Organiser:

Telephone 01568 797839

PLANT SALE AND COFFEE MORNING

The very successful Plant Sale and Coffee Morning at the Church held on the **18th April** raised to date £459-10p.

I would like to say 'Thank You very much' to everyone involved; for the wonderful contributions towards the sale in the form of Plants and all related items, draw prizes, cakes etc. and to the people who served our visitors. A very big 'thank you' too to all those who came and spent so well on the day.

Appreciation is also expressed for the very generous donations received from people unable to join us.

Thank you all.

I do hope our plants grow well!
Liz Davies.

LUGG VALLEY FRIENDS - CANCER RESEARCH UK

We invite you to join us for a

PLOUGHMANS & PUDDINGS LUNCH

on **FRIDAY, 26TH JUNE 2015** at Siward James Centre, Bodenham from
12.00 noon to 2.00 pm.

TICKET PRICE : £7.00 PER PERSON.

(Further details to follow in the June issue of the Newsletter).

OTHER EVENTS DURING 2015:

Friday, 9th October : Autumn Fashion Show by Wyestyles at Parish Hall, Bodenham

Tuesday, 3rd November : Coffee Morning at Siward James Centre, Bodenham

Friday, 4th December : Christmas Bingo at Parish Hall, Bodenham

BODENHAM RAMBLERS SUMMER WALKS 2015

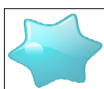
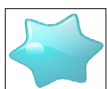
All walks to start at 10am unless otherwise stated.

Any queries about walks please contact leaders

PLEASE BRING A PACKED LUNCH

DATE	Description	Miles	Start	GR	Leaders
27 th April – 1 st May	Holiday at Park Hotel Cliff, Tenby SA70 8AT	North			
Sunday 3 rd May	No Walk				
Wed 13 th May	Fownhope to Haugh Wood. Steady climbs	6	New Inn, Fownhope	Exp 189 587344	Sylvia 01432 830486
Sunday 24 th May	Skenfrith. Along the Monnow. Visit historic church	6	Layby on the bridge at Skenfrith	OS 189 459203	Margaret & Stephen 01432 880950 2 nd Walk
Wed 3 rd June	Wellington Lakes & Marden Church	6/7	Park behind Wellington Village School	Exp 202 498482	Doris & Brenda 01432 830229 01568 797035
Sunday 14 th June	Stiperstones Ridge. Walk on lanes & hills followed by light snack at Bog Centre. Then drive to Snailbeach Mine for visit	4	Start at 10.30am. Park at Bog Centre	OS 216 356980	Marion & Eddie 01432 266994
Wed 24 th June	Woolhope/Sollers Hope. 2 steep hills & stiles	4	Park at village hall. Lunch at Crown or Butchers	OS 189 613357	John Rice 01568 797817

For details of Bodenham Ramblers please contact the Secretary, Brenda Richardson on
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The bring and share tea went down very well with everyone present and sincere thanks must go to everyone who prepared food to bring, who set up and then helped clear away.

The first friendly game of the season will have taken place by the time you read the village newsletter.

The men's league commences on **13th May** on a Wednesday evening and 8 players will be needed each week.

The ladies county competitions have members participating in 8 events and these are on a separate sheet to the programme so if you have any queries re these matches please contact Mrs Ann Walters.

On **Saturday May 2nd** we play Wellington at their green and on **Tuesday 5th May** we play St Martins at their green, we then have a further 6 friendly matches planned Tuesday evenings and Saturday afternoons for May.

If any of you out there feel that you would like to try your hand at lawn bowls then please come along on a Monday evening 6.15 for a prompt 6.30 start. We can lend you woods, all you need are some flat soled shoes.

See you at the green.

Barbara Gibson (secretary)

DEFIBRILLATOR UPDATE

The good news is that the defibrillators and their cases have now been purchased and we would like to thank everyone who has made this possible – all the individuals who have contributed through donations or contributions to the fund-raising events, the small businesses in the village and the Community Fund, who have given us donations.

Thanks also to Councillor Rhian Powell for all her work on getting the defibrillators and the Parish Council for their support. Hopefully the defibrillators will be installed at the two sites – the school and the surgery – very shortly as soon as the electrical work is completed.

The next step is to offer some training to anyone who would be interested. Providing training is one of the conditions that the British Heart Foundation stipulate in return for their grant. The course is run by the West Midlands Ambulance Service and while attendance does not confer any obligation or responsibility on anyone, it does give people confidence and the ability to offer support if they wish.

If you would be interested in being trained please let me know and let me know also when would be a convenient time for you. The course is two hours and can be offered during the day or evening, on a weekday or weekend. Please contact me – Margaret James on 797096 (answerphone if I'm not in) or email majameshcl@gmail.com leaving your contact details and a convenient time for a training session and I'll get back to you with further details.

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Our open evening was a great success, and we now have some new members, and several girls who will join us when they are old enough.

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If any lady or group would like to organise an
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Wellington Parish History Society

Our May meeting will be on **Thursday 28th
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Philip Bouchier, an Archivist at the
Herefordshire Records Office will talk to us about
Parish Records, mainly of Wellington, but also
a little about neighbouring villages. He tells us
that he plans to show a lot of digital images of
the original archive documents. We can expect
an update on the new Herefordshire Archive and
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in June/July.

Visitors are warmly welcomed, and
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Enquiries to Gill Bullock on 01432 839109.
Our website is www.wellingtonhistory.org.uk.

What Does the Care Act Mean in Practice?

Care and support are changing, becoming more consistent across the UK thanks to the Care Act 2014. This is a staged process of some magnitude, starting to come into effect from April 2015.

The Care Act has been designed to put people in charge of their lives so that they can plan ahead for a good life on their own terms. Individuals who have a personal budget from their local authority will have more control of the help and support they receive. This is great news because it gives them more choice in the way they spend their budgets.

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St Michael's CE Primary School News

Horse Riding Team:

Our school is very lucky to have its own Show Jumping team, made up from pupils at school who are part of local Riding Clubs and so on. We are always looking for new members to join our team and so compete on behalf of the school (with their specially-made St. Michael's, Bodenham numner or saddle cloth!). If anyone is interested, then please contact Mrs. Paula Wilson, mum of James and Sophia. She would love to have a chat with you and tell you about how it all works. Thank you.

Condoover Residential Trip:

Well done to our Year Five pupils, along with Mrs. Clark and Miss Powis as they braved the wilds of Shropshire in March. Everyone has returned safely with lots of stories to tell and memories to share.

RED NOSE DAY 2015:

Thank you to everyone who supported this event—the children once again had a lovely day and looked fantastic, with their Funny Faces! Together we raised £140 for this wonderful charity.

Big Breakfast:

Thank you to everyone who supported this event on Saturday 14 th March. The breakfast was delicious and it raised well over £1,000 for our Parents' Association and for the local Cub pack.

Cross Country Club:

Very well done to our Cross Country team, who travelled to St. Richard's School at Bredenbury to take part in a competition recently. They acquitted themselves very well against stiff opposition, with Marnie in Class Four coming first overall in the girls' race.

Easter Bingo

Thank you to everyone who was able to come along and support this event at school on Thursday 26th March. A great time was had by all as usual and special thanks go to our bingo callers!

Tag Rugby Festival:

Well done to our Tag Rugby team who competed in the annual Luctonians Tag Rugby Festival on Wednesday 25th March. They performed very well and progressed quite far into the competition, having won and lost some matches. Well done to them also for their excellent behaviour that represented the rest of us back at school so well.

Yr 5 Forest School:

Our Year Five children have just had their first session at Queenswood with Hayley Herridge of Herefordshire Nature Trust (which will continue for this half term). They had a very enriching time, and we hope to carry this programme on in future.

Summer Production:

This year's Summer Production is "Aladdin", and is once again in the early stages of being put together as you read this! The dates for the performances are Tuesday 7th and Wednesday 8th of July. We have decided this year that only the children from Classes Three and Four will be performing in the production. This is because we have such a large group of Year Six children and also that the younger children have had their chance to shine during their lovely nativity performance of "Born In A Barn" earlier in the academic year.

School Photographer:

Advanced warning that our photographers, Tempest will be in school on the morning of Tuesday, 5th May.

Summer Prom Concert:

In order to give all of the children who are engaged in different musical lessons and extracurricular activities at the school an opportunity to show what they are capable of and also to give them a chance to perform in front of an audience, we are once again holding a summer music concert. At the moment we are planning for this to be held at school on the evening of Tuesday 19th May. We anticipate the concert starting at 6.00p.m

A Request from Class One:

If anyone has any unwanted or spare foil dishes or plates etc. we would be very grateful if they could be brought into school for us to use as part of the learning for our Space topic this term. Please see Mrs. Chambers or Miss Amos if you are able to help – thank you very much.

Website:

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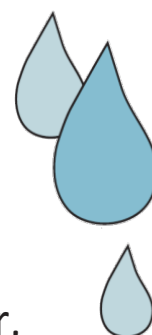
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