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Easter is hare! Photo credit: Richard E Photography

### **In this issue:**

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- **Meet Rex the new classroom assistant at Tysoe School**
- **... And there's more!**

## HAPPY EASTER

The theme for our March issue is 'The Changing World'.

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## DIFFERENT WORLDS

It is all too easy to get swamped by bad news and negative stories – the media majors on bad news and it cannot be good for one's mental wellbeing being constantly bombarded by negativity. I actively try to take pleasure in the simple things in life – the glorious bird song of a Spring woodland, the unadulterated joy on the face of Archie my spaniel when he catches his frisbee, or simply taking the time to sit still and listen to music and watch the world go by (watching clouds scud across the sky has been a favourite since childhood).

But we do have a lot to be grateful for – simple things like turning a tap and getting instant fresh drinking water. We take it for granted but that “luxury” was only introduced in my Grandparent's generation and that simple luxury came home to me on a recent visit to Morocco where tap water is generally not potable (certainly for visitors to the country).

Morocco, and much of the developing world is a very different existence. Just a four hour flight from Heathrow takes you to a place that is far removed from our world – Islamic, medieval in parts – although witnessing a Ferrari 458 driving through Marrakesh's Jemaa El-Fnaa Square past the snake charmers and monkey handlers was one of the more bizarre sightings.

I love Morocco and delight in its “differentness” to Europe – the people are friendly (if always trying to sell you something), the countryside is hugely varied from the Mediterranean coast in the north, via the snow-covered High Atlas mountains, to the Sahara in the south and east. One negative thing was the proliferation of litter everywhere along the roads, not least the dreaded plastic water bottles which no doubt is

one consequence of not having potable tap water. We hear in this Record stories of other people's travels as they celebrate the differences in our world, but perhaps we shouldn't take certain “luxuries” for granted?

Roland Cherry



## PENNY AND ROB'S BIG ADVENTURE



After 10 years planning we set off for Singapore and New Zealand for nearly 5 weeks. We wanted to experience as many different things as possible including transport. Planes, trains, automobiles, cable cars, gondolas, boats, metro and campervan were all ticked off the list.

Gardens by the bay, Singapore

What we did not plan was Cyclone Gabrielle and a 6.1 earthquake which resulted in major changes to our plans. Hey it's all part of the adventure!!!

Our highlights included the Gardens on the Bay in Singapore, Raffles and a Singapore Sling, Little India, China Town and the Botanic Gardens- it was all such a contrast to February in the UK.

We then moved on to New Zealand. Wellington was a lovely city but that's where the fun began. Cyclone Gabrielle hampered crossings to the South Island but solutions were found. On the South Island we experienced 10 days in a campervan something we had never done before. Glow worm caves, a fantastic trip to Doubtful Sound, penguins and albatrosses, seals, possums, otters, amazing turquoise lakes and rivers, wine tasting (has to be done - one called Valli pronounced Varley!) mountains, wild paddling, cable cars, gondola, ferry in a 3 metre swell, a wonderful trip on the Trans Alpine Train and experiencing a backpackers hostel for the first time with a view of a 'lake' aka large puddle.

Everyone was very helpful and welcoming and we made many friends. Via modern technology we kept in touch with friends and family. We heard about the weather in blighty and were so glad to be in climates of between 20 and 30 degrees.

The food was great where ever we went and we were so impressed with how Kiwis and Singaporeans respect and care for their environment.



West coast, South Island

Where to next?

Penny and Rob Varley



## VISIT TO THE SOUK IN FEZ

Stepping into the souk is to get lost in a labyrinth of shifting light and shade. Stallholders cover the walls with their wares. A shock of colour against the dark. No space is wasted here.

The hardware stall proudly displays mops, sinks; a mixer tap with lime green accents. It looks rude, out of context. While haberdashers are decked with reels of cottons in every shade, or trims of gold and silk just waiting to be chosen and transformed.

Stock levels are bountiful. Slipper sellers are stacked high with babouches, the pointed toes stick out appealingly.

The souk bustles with noisy activity. Stand aside or get runover as a mule loaded with yet more goods pushes through. Shoppers buying from merchants. Tourists being jostled by hawkers who refuse to take no for an answer.

Fresh seasonal produce in every size and shape; fresh herbs and salad add splashes of vivid green, radishes, fat strawberries and tomatoes scream red, topped off with pyramids of oranges and dates.

A bakery brings out a new batch of pies, their smell fills the air. Just a few yards further on the scene changes, fish are laid out on icy slabs, glossy-eyed; while shrimps are peeled in a constant flow.

Next, a pair of crossed sheep hooves sit on the butcher's block, while a camel's head with eyes-closed hangs from railings above. Shocking to some, a delicacy for others. Butchery in the raw.

Don't stop there's more . . . A hammer striking metal, the signature tune of the metal quarter. Hours of skilful work to produce hand-beaten copper trays, filigree lamps, cooking pots and teapots. Heirlooms made to last.

All life is here! A mosaic of trades, each individual piece representing a different craft, fitting perfectly together to create an intricate living breathing jigsaw - ancient and timeless. . . The Souk.

The Editor

Note: The souk at Fez, Morocco is one of the oldest in the world.



## THE FOSSIL HUNTERS

Many eons ago, just after the dawn of time, my husband Peter (then four years old) announced to his startled teacher that he wanted to become a paleontologist. Of course, there weren't many fossils for him to discover at that time, before the first ice age, so his ambition necessarily took a back seat. But, fast forward through the years and, just last month, he began to realise his dream when we visited Lyme Regis for three whole nights.



Lyme, as we burgeoning paleontologists call it, is famous for being on the Jurassic Coast with its rich store of fossils and also for Mary Anning, perhaps England's most famous fossil hunter, who is celebrated in her hometown with a statue (pictured left) and a museum. The Jurassic Coast wasn't as expansive as in Peter's imaginings and we hadn't taken into account that it was half term so it was crowded with families bearing buckets and hammers, striking wildly and ineffectually at rocks in search of an exciting discovery. But the cliffs with their grey-brown striations of limestone and shale are constantly being eroded by the sea, collapsing and bringing down new offerings, a mid-century

rubbish tip, a concrete lookout from the war and new treasure troves of ancient creatures preserved in compressed rock.



Visitors are allowed to take their finds away, otherwise the sea will have them. I, helped by an encouraging eight year old, found several ammonites (example left) and Peter unearthed a tiny trilobite (example right). We didn't book a fossil hunting tour, but the tour guides seemed delighted to talk to us anyway assessing my ammonites disappointingly as 'poor quality imprints'



But we are not discouraged. It's early days in this new direction and on our return to Tysoe we are inspecting the Hornton stone more closely for prehistoric organisms. We remind ourselves that there have been some impressive finds very close to home....

Isobel Watson

## THE CHOCOLATE TASTERS!



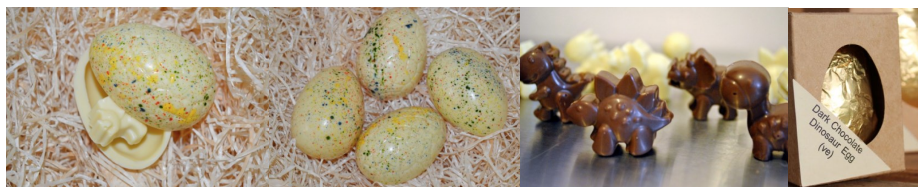
Our last meeting on 1st March was particularly well attended, could this be because the subject was chocolate?

Henley Chocolates began as a little sparkle of a dream on a cold winter evening. Sally Daniel owner, Chief Chocolatier and Chief Chocolate Fairy, was a solicitor who gave up her career in 2010 to do something less stressful. She started out as a baker selling her goods at Farmers' Markets and making chocolate at home as a hobby.

Chocolate making soon took over her life and she now runs an ethical hand-crafted chocolate business from her premises in a converted milk parlour at Yew Tree Farm Shopping Village in Wootton Wawen, assisted by fifteen chocolate fairies, not forgetting her 11 year old son who is Chief Chocolate Taster. (I would love to oust him from that position!) There is also a small shop attached to the premises.

In 2017 her Amaretto Truffles won a Taste Award and the following year her Passion Fruit Truffles won the same award. We can definitely attest to that because chocolate tasting was part of the experience at our meeting. Fortunately we all took full purses with us because a great deal of chocolate was bought - including Dinosaur Eggs with baby dinosaurs inside. Just One of the fun chocolate items - all just in time for Easter! Visit [www.henleychocolates.co.uk/](http://www.henleychocolates.co.uk/) or find them on social media.

Christine Harrop



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## TYSOE'S CORONATION CELEBRATIONS



### Saturday 6th May

Pig Roast by Catering Angels and picnic on the village green outside the Village Hall from 2.30 until 5.00. All are welcome, come in fancy dress if you want to. Bring your own chairs and tables if it's fine, eat in the hall if it's wet. Teas will be available at Tysoe Tea Shop; entertainment by Jazz59 while you eat.

Concert in the village hall from 6.00 until 8.00 featuring TaDa, Tysoe's Got Talent and poetry readings. A small entrance charge (funds to a local charity) will be made and tickets will be available ahead of time from Tysoe Village Stores.

Help with decorating the green and the hall and for managing the event on the day would be much appreciated.

### Sunday 7th May

Special Coronation Family Service at St Mary's church starting at 11.00.

Join us in celebrating the Coronation of Charles III in true Tysoe style!



## Coronation Poetry Competition

Celebrate the coronation with a right royal rhyme!



Win a Poetry Book and a £20 Tysoe Shop Voucher!

It's easy:

1. Write your poem about the coronation/royal family (it doesn't have to rhyme!)
2. Post it in the Tysoe Village Shop / Orchard House, Back Lane or email to: [tysoerecord@gmail.com](mailto:tysoerecord@gmail.com)
3. Come along to the coronation festival on 6th May to find out if you've won a prize in your age category!

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The closing date has been extended to  
**Friday 21st April.**

Try to stick to these word limits!

| Word Limit | 100 words | 200 words | 300 words |
|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| Age        | 0-7       | 8-15      | 16+       |

## THE LAST CORONATION REMEMBERED

The year was 1953, the month-early June- and the occasion- the coronation of the young Queen Elizabeth II.

I was a young child at the time but almost exactly seventy years on I can still recollect the events of that day and feel the colour and excitement.



Few people in those days had television so were denied the visual spectacle of events. However, a near neighbour had a black and white television with a 9" screen. Our family was invited, amongst others, to view the coronation and I vividly remember each of us carrying a chair up the road and sitting in rows in the neighbours' house to witness events. Sadly my abiding memory of that visit was how long everything seemed to take.

Better things were to come, as the road of 300 houses had organised a street party for all the children resident there. Trestle tables were laid out, all of us children were seated and waited upon by the adults and I can still remember the taste of jelly, blancmange and ice cream to this day. Each child was presented with a china cup, saucer and plate with the Queen's head and date on it and the name of the road was embossed on the cup in gold. They still stand on display in my china cabinet.

Sometime after, my parents took us to the cinema to see a film of two children – John and Julie – who ran away from home to see the Coronation in London. Now, we could see in amazing colour all the pageantry and excitement. It obviously made a huge impression to remain in my memory for so many years.

Later, the new Queen did a tour of her Kingdom and we all gathered at the roadside in Bournville to wave our flags as she was driven by.

My hope is that today's children will enjoy and remember the occasion of the coming coronation well into their old age.

Linda Leonard



## CORONATION IN ANTICIPATION - A POEM



The church bells are a-ringing  
From the towers across the land.  
The people are all gathering  
To find a place to stand.  
A myriad flags are flying  
And the air resounds with cheers.  
The ladies chat, the children play  
While men are downing beers.  
The military are marshalling  
Their forces, one and all.  
The horses paw the ground while  
Anxious buglers make their call.  
The cannons lie in waiting  
To perform their grand salute.  
Photographers are jostling for the  
Perfect place to shoot.  
The hope is for some sunshine

In a blue and cloudless sky  
So folk can gaze in wonder at  
The aircraft flying by.  
The mood is very special  
And the message is quite clear-  
Today is going to be the  
Most exciting of the year.  
For soon the pomp and circum-  
stance  
Will all be underway  
The carriages, the dignitaries  
Are ready for the day.  
Our everlasting mem'ry will  
Be one of celebration  
As all of us are witness to  
King Charles' coronation.

By Linda Leonard





## TYSOE'S COMMUNITY BREAKFAST

Around 100 villagers enjoyed Tysoe's first Big Community Breakfast on Sunday 12th March. This was a 'not for profit' event aimed at getting people together to reconnect and make new friends. A sumptuous selection of breakfasts was cooked by Catering Angel's Jenny Brown and served by eager volunteers! Children were entertained with puzzles and colouring and there was a hubbub of conversation and laughter and getting to know one another.



Thanks to everyone who contributed donations to support the cost of the event, including Lillian's Plants, Wot2Grow Orchard, Ridgeways Farm and Amy Hollingum. The event was hailed a success and Jenny and her team plan to run other events throughout the year. The next community event will be a **'Sunday Supper' (4-6pm) on April 16th 2023**. Watch out for more details!



Photos: Jo McGinn and Jenny Brown, words: Alison Cross



## THERE ARE 'NO VOTES' IN SEWAGE – UNTIL NOW?

Recent social media outrage and Paul Whitehouse's programmes on the pollution of bathing waters and rivers has brought sewage disposal into the public consciousness. So how did we get here? Our present approach hasn't changed much since the Royal Commission reports on sewage disposal over a century ago. The eighth report (1912) dealt with the quality of sewage discharges. It was decided that the more dilution available in the receiving water the less treatment was required. This is used to justify minimum treatment during periods of heavy rain. It also accounts for why discharges into the sea received little more than screening for gross solids and were discharged at the tidal low water mark.

So are we in a worse position now than in earlier epochs? The first report into river pollution didn't appear until 1970. Our rivers by then had been subject to heavy metal contamination from industry as well as sewage for nearly 200 years. When I joined the water industry in 1977 we were forbidden from warning bathers about the quality of bathing water on some east coast beaches by certain local authorities. From 1974-1989 improvement took place due to the reduction in heavy industry, rural sewage schemes which closed smaller works and took the effluent downstream (to greater flows) and long sea outfalls. The EC stopped the discharge of sewage sludge at sea and produced an ever strengthening framework for illegal discharges, subject of course to the member states' regulatory regime. Ours is in serious need of strengthening.

In the last decade we have left the EC and our population (for long stable) has increased by about 15%. Our legacy approach to combining run-off and sewage effluent in one pipe has caught up with us. Planning has tried recently to reduce these effects by mandating Sustainable Drainage ponds on large scale developments. But, basically it comes down to increased expenditure to improve our infrastructure. The areas under most stress are in holiday areas like the Lake District, the South West and the coastal resorts during the summer. In the meantime do your bit by not flushing wet wipes and towels down the toilet.

Mike Sanderson PhD River Water Quality Control

## DARK SKIES



The lengthening days and change to British Summer Time have led me to reflect on the importance of dark skies.

The night sky is one of the few real 'mysteries' remaining, and light pollution limits the ability of astronomers and others to observe stars, planets, and phenomena such as the Northern Lights. Indeed, the Northern Lights were visible recently in southern Britain, although, sadly, not from here. Artificial lights at night produce what is known as 'skyglow' which reduces the contrast of celestial objects and makes them harder to distinguish.

In the brilliant new BBC landmark series 'Wild Isles', Sir David Attenborough talks about how depleted nature has become in our isles. He appeals to us all to do what we can to help. Protecting our dark skies is one way we can. Apparently, a single street light has the potential to kill 150 insects per night, reducing an important food source for bats, birds and other species.

Light pollution has clear effects on the behaviour and ecology of nocturnal wildlife, including threatened species such as barn owls, bats and hedgehogs. Overall, these effects result from changes in their orientation which may include attraction to, or repulsion from, the brighter environment. This can affect how they search for food, reproduce and communicate.

Dark skies are championed in the Tysoe Neighbourhood Development Plan (Natural Environment Policy 2 – Tranquillity and Dark Skies (p40)), and were considered important by residents in the pre-submission consultation. The policy follows the lead set by the Cotswolds Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB), with a good proportion of the Parish being within/visible from the AONB.

Thus, the installation and use of outdoor lighting should be considered carefully and amenity lighting kept to a minimum, with its use controlled by sensors and timers where possible.

Rosemary Collier



## DOWN ON THE FARM - HOPKINS FARM



Illustration by Josh Welsby

Here at Hopkins farm in lower Tysoe we are leading up to one of the busiest times of the year. This is the time of year when new life appears on the farm. We have been calving for the last three months with over 30 born so far, most recently one surprise of a set of twins.

We have just put our shorthorn bull in with the cows which means we will be due to start calving again in December 2023. This month our TB test is due which is a very stressful and uncertain time for any farmer. We are hoping for clear results so we are able to continue selling our cattle.

We are due to start lambing on the 23rd March. Unfortunately we haven't had the best of starts with several of our sheep aborting their lambs. We are unsure as to the reason for this happening and are awaiting from Hook Norton veterinary practice.

We are also incorporating our small flock of pedigree Herdwick sheep which are due to lamb any day now.

With the dry weather conditions in late February we were able to get on with grass land field work such as grass land aerating and chain harrowing. This pulls out dead grass from previous years and allows for new growth. Soon you will be able to see our sheep and newly born lambs back out in their fields and hopefully not escaping out onto the road.

The Welsby's



## Tysoe Wildlife Activity Week

**St Mary's Church, Tysoe**  
**7-11th August 2023 9.30-12.30 Mon-Fri**  
**FOOD, FARMING and the ENVIRONMENT**

The workshop is **FREE** for 5-11 year old children who live in the Tysoe District. Places are limited. Registration forms will be issued around Easter. If you haven't already registered your interest, then please email [tysoewildlife@gmail.com](mailto:tysoewildlife@gmail.com) or call 01295 680793



## HAPPY HEREFORDS



The Burger Barn is open for sit down food 6-8pm every Friday, book a table or just wander down.

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## COTSWOLDS AONB PATHS UPDATE



The remit of the Cotswolds Parish Warden for Tysoe is to work with the parish council, landowners and local residents to help keep footpaths fully accessible and to identify local features in need of repair or restoration. Work parties of volunteers can be organised to improve access such as gates and stiles.

The most recent project was in February when a working party from Cotswolds National Landscape, the organising body for the Cotswolds AONB, replaced the footbridge in Lower Tysoe for the path SS36c



that runs north from behind Home Farm up to the main A422. In conjunction with the landowner, Mrs Gardner of Home Farm, we installed a new 7-metre footbridge, replacing the collapsed bridge over a ditch that had put the path out of usage for a couple of years. The new bridge is similar to one we replaced a couple of years ago in the fields for the path running from Middle Tysoe school to Lower Tysoe which has opened up that route again for walkers in the parish. We hope the new bridge should encourage walkers to explore this route again too.

This work follows a £1,262 grant to the Parish Council in 2021 towards the nature trail project and interpretation boards plus a further grant towards a series of educational sessions and workshops for the children and residents of the parish to learn more about local wildlife. Other projects that I am looking to organise include the refurbishment of the 50 steps up to the windmill from the Compton Wynyates road that were installed around 15 years ago by Cotswolds National Landscape but have become badly eroded and need repair work.

If you would like to be involved in helping to restore footpaths around the parish please get in touch.

Nick Hull, Cotswolds AONB Parish Warden

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[www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk](http://www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk)

## THE END OF ENDEAVOUR FOREVER!

Endeavour, the prequel to Inspector Morse, bowed out after 36 feature-length episodes. Three characters anchored the plots: Shaun Evans as the young detective, Roger Allam his boss and Anton Lesser who played Chief Superintendent Bright. The Record caught up with Anton, who lives in Tysoe, to learn more:

Q. So how do you feel now that Endeavour is over? A. Yes, I am sad, but also quite excited.

I like it when things come to an end because it opens all sorts of possibilities. I'm enjoying receiving different offers.

Q. How big a commitment was it? A. Each 90-minute episode took four weeks to film. There was a huge team involved to get the details right. Russell Lewis, the writer, loved setting each film in a recognisable period so that the audiences could make the connection. He used to put in little film jokes, that was part of the fabric.

Q What will you miss most? A. That lovely group of people. The camaraderie and the laughs. We developed a shorthand, a bit like putting on a pair of old slippers.

Q Will you miss Bright? A. he was a martinet character, frustrating to play. I wanted to show his flaws and vulnerability. It was like being asked to play one note in an orchestra, not the whole piece. He finally came into his own in the last episode when he allowed his team

to press on with the dig at the children's home, against the wishes of County.

Q What next? A I'm carrying on with Andor streaming on Disney+ where I'm part of the Empire. From my character's perspective, Major Partagaz, he's part of the solution not the problem. Then, who knows what will follow! . . .



Anton with Kate Saxon, Director at the end of filming



The cast of Endeavour

## CONGRATULATIONS TO KATIE AND TOM ON THEIR SPECIAL WEDDING!

The couple say they are amazed, overwhelmed and grateful for the continuing efforts of everyone: friends, family and even strangers who have so far raised more than £153,000 to support Katie's cancer treatment. "It reminds us how loved we are," said Tom.



Katie Pritchard and Tom Cronin. Photo: Isobel Murphy Photography

Tysoe Social Club raised an astonishing £4,550 from a Quiz Night, raffle and sponsored head shave. The Club would like to thank everyone who donated prizes and supported the fundraisers.

To donate, visit [gofundme.com](https://gofundme.com) and search for '*Please help fund Katie's cancer treatment*'.

## NEWS FROM THE ORCHARD

Spring is here. Apricots are always the first trees to show their blossom at the beginning of March. The damsons and plums are not far behind, but the apple and pear buds are being a little reticent. Weeding and caring for the soft fruit continues and the blueberries have been given a light prune. Summer raspberries are struggling along, however we should enjoy some good fruit from early July onwards. The bees have been attacked by wasps and we will have to restock if we want the usual amount of honey! The wildlife population continues to increase and the number of birds and different species is very promising - so things are obviously working for all at the orchard.

If you would like to help and get some great organic fruit, contact Liz Atkinson (680045), Paul Sayer (680451), Sue and Mike Sanderson (688080) or visit: [www.wot2grow.co.uk](http://www.wot2grow.co.uk)



## APRIL DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

|   |                     |   |
|---|---------------------|---|
|  | <b>Every Friday</b> | Food waste collection 7,14,21,28  |
|  | <b>7, 28</b>        | <b>Black</b> bin collection   |
|  | <b>14, 28</b>       | <b>Blue &amp; Green</b> bin collection  |
|  | <b>Every Friday</b> | Tysoe Dementia Café, 10am -12 noon,<br>Tysoe Village Hall                         |
|  | <b>Friday 7</b>     | Friday Lunch Club in the Village Hall - contact<br>Marion 680584 / Nicola 680058  |
|  | <b>Monday</b>       | <b>Tysoe Parish Council Ordinary meeting</b><br><b>7.15pm, Tysoe Village Hall</b> |
|  | <b>Tuesday 18</b>   | Mobile library 1.45pm, parks up outside the<br>Village Hall                       |
|  | <b>EASTER</b>       | Good Friday 7, Easter Sunday 9, Easter<br>Monday 10                               |
|  | <b>Sunday 23</b>    | St George's Day   |

## Easter egg hunt at Upton House and Gardens

This spring, treat the whole family to a world of adventure at Upton House and Gardens on an Easter trail. Make your way along the trail and find nature-inspired activities for the whole family. Dates: 1-16 April 2023, from 10am to 4pm, with last entry at 3:30pm. Normal admission plus £3 per trail, includes an Easter trail sheet, pencil, bunny ears and chocolate egg, or vegan and free from chocolate egg.



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Shipston Beekeepers are hosting an 'Introduction to Beekeeping Course' over the weekend of 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> April at Brailes Village Hall and Plum Tree Farm Apiary.

Visit [www.sbka.org.uk](http://www.sbka.org.uk) to find out more and to book a place.

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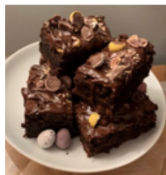
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### Offer One: Mini Egg Brownies

Deliciously rich Chocolate Brownies, topped with melted chocolate and crushed Cadbury Mini Eggs.

8 Brownies was £12 **now £10**

16 Brownies was £22 **now £18**



### Offer Two: Easter Novelty Cupcakes

Cupcakes in any flavour (one flavour per 4 cups minimum) with a choice of Mini Eggs, chicks in nest, choc bunny, or burrowing bunny. Box of 4 was £11 **now £8** Box of 6 was £16.50 **now £13**

Box of 12 was £33 **now £25**



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St. Mary's Church, Tysoe

# Holy Week and Easter Services

Maundy Thursday,  
April 6<sup>th</sup> 7:00pm

Holy Communion  
followed by vigil in church

Good Friday, April 7<sup>th</sup>  
7:30pm Tenebrae

a service of light and shadows in  
which to watch with Jesus

Easter Celebration,  
April 9<sup>th</sup>

11:00am Eucharist of Easter Day

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## EASTER GREETINGS

We begin April by marking the end of Lent and the start of Holy Week, with our Palm Sunday Family Service. Easter Day falls on Sunday April 9th this year. It is always celebrated on the first Sunday after the Paschal Full Moon, so can fall anywhere between March 22nd and April 25th. While Christmas is fixed to a solar calendar, and near the winter solstice, Easter is based on the lunar cycles of the Jewish calendar. The Last Supper, the final meal Jesus shared with his disciples before his crucifixion, was the Jewish Passover feast.

If you want to find out when Easter is going to be in future years, Google the “Golden Number” and associated calculation, or you can look up in the tables at the beginning of the Book of Common Prayer.

From Palm Sunday we make the journey through Holy Week to the solemnity of Good Friday and then to the joy of Easter Day. On Maundy Thursday evening (7pm) there will be a communion service commemorating the Last Supper with a vigil and on Good Friday a service of Tenebrae, readings and reflections in light and darkness at 7.30pm). The story of the Last Supper, Jesus’ arrest, trial and crucifixion is one we all know, but sometimes try to skip over because we find it difficult. To understand fully the sacrifice Jesus made for us, we need to take some time to appreciate the depths of his suffering as well as his ultimate victory.

On Easter Day there will be a service at 11am when we light the Paschal Candle, symbolising Jesus’ resurrection and the light of Christ coming anew into our lives. We hope you can join us for our Easter services.

Wishing you a blessed Holy Week and Easter,

God Bless

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Our Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Sunday 23rd April following our morning service. All members of the village are invited to attend to elect the Churchwardens and to receive the reports detailing the work of St. Mary’s in 2022.

## TYSOE PARISH CLERK'S UPDATE



Hello Tysoe,

At the Parish Council's meeting on Monday 13th of March, a resident brought to the attention of Councillors the state of a grass verge by Sandpits Road, expressing concerns about traffic and pedestrians. County Councillor Mills, at the request of Councillors, will take this up with Highways along with a tree that needs attention by Banoffee Farm.

A replacement bench has arrived and will be taken to the Recreation Ground once the weather improves.

Mr Forrester made a statement on behalf of himself and his wife. A request that the Parish Council pay Mr & Mrs Forrester's legal fees was refused.

There were no planning applications to be considered. Cllr Roache noted that Cameron Homes application was still awaiting approval. District Councillor Feilding and County Councillor Mills both suggested a further letter be sent requesting an update.

Councillors approved payment for some specialised parking signs to be used by the school at drop off and pick up times, as some people are parking in such a way that adults and children are being put in danger.

An audit of trees in public areas in the village will take place over the next couple of months. Councillors are also looking at the possibility of planting a tree to celebrate the King's Coronation in a suitable place somewhere around Tysoe.

Councillor Roache wished to thank Councillor Sinclair, who will be standing down from the Parish Council after 25 years, for everything she has done for the community and Parish Council.

Plans for King Charles III Coronation celebrations are in progress, and various events are being organised. More news to follow!

Finally, repair work on the children's playground will begin in approximately 2 weeks ready for the warmer weather.

I hope Spring arrives soon for us all.

**Charmaine Swift**

Parish Clerk and RFO, [parish.clerk@tysoe.org.uk](mailto:parish.clerk@tysoe.org.uk)

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Sue Baxter  
Tuesday Bowling Group

## TYSOE C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

We were delighted that Rex joined our school community after half term. Initially Rex will be in school Tuesdays and Thursdays and will work with small groups or individual children under adult supervision. Rex will need some time to settle into his new role.

The Dogs Trust visited on Tuesday 28th February to help the children understand the safe way to work with Rex. The children were so attentive during our workshops, they all listened carefully and asked some great questions as we learned more about how to work with Rex.



With much excitement from everyone, Rex came into school for his first day on 2nd March, World Book Day. He visited each class to be introduced and he spent time listening to children read, working with a maths group and two reading groups. Rex enjoyed his first lunchtime walk with some of the pupils. We know the children are excited and want to work with Rex, and we aim for everyone to be able to spend time with him over the coming weeks and months.

Rex even enjoyed some World Book Day reading himself!

### Editor's note:

Here are a few titles that Rex might like to get his paws round: 'Marley and Me', '101 Dalmatians', 'Lassie', 'The Incredible Journey', 'Top Dog', 'Dog Sense', 'The Genius of Dogs' and 'A Dog's Life'. 🐾🐾



Ofsted came and inspected Tysoe Children's Group on the 9th November 2022. We are very pleased to be able to tell you that we have maintained our overall rating of GOOD and have been judged as good in all areas: Quality of Education, Behaviour and Attitudes, Personal Development, and Leadership and Management.

The inspection praised many aspects of Tysoe Children Group. Our children which Ofsted saw were deemed to be; happy and content; confident to engage and eager to learn; well behaved and that they were all making progress and taking part in activities with enthusiasm and excitement.

While Ofsted found our amazing staff to be; kind and caring; they dedicate themselves to their roles and put children at the heart of what they do; staff invest quality time, nurturing and building their relationships with the children and their families.

At our forest school - staff support children to explore the woodland, develop their senses and play imaginatively; children show their confidence and resilience when they try something new; they explore their own capabilities and 'have a go'.

We are incredibly proud of the Ofsted report and how well our staff and our children performed.

We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who is connected with Tysoe Children's Group including all our wonderful parents, carers, grandparents and families; our exceptional board of trustees both past and present and of course the excellent volunteers and supporters in the community who give freely of their time to help make Tysoe Childrens Group the organisation it is today.

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Yvonne Dillon, Pre-School Manager.





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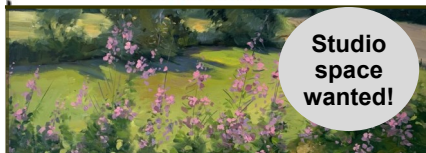
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**Ladies A:** Berkswell and Balsall Common A visited Tysoe to play the Ladies A team but Julie Smart and Lou Kramer were the only members available to play. They managed to win one rubber which they took on a championship tiebreak resulting in a 1 – 3 loss.

**Ladies B:** The team travelled to Pershore and came back with a draw. Nicki Campbell and Elaine Thorne played brilliantly to win both of their rubbers. The next week the girls all played magnificently to win 4 – 0 against Kenilworth. Jude Canning and Emily Dawber were a very strong combination absolutely annihilating their opposition.

**Mixed Teams:** Both mixed teams have recorded losses despite some strong play. The Mixed A lost to Warwick A and the Mixed B lost to Priors Marston A.

Club Secretary - Carol Spencer

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A dreadful year, starting with Covid still affecting activities and use of the hall limited by partial floor damage. The floor was ripped up in April and the insurers' contractors took another 6 months before it was re-instated. In essence, the hall has only fully functioned for 2 months.

We felt desperately sorry for all the activities and events that couldn't go ahead throughout the year and were particularly sad not to be able to host, in any way, the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations. I, also, personally felt for the committee members who struggled, yet succeeded, in maintaining morale throughout yet another year of closures.

On a positive note, we're getting back on our feet and our finances remain sound. As ever, I'm extremely grateful to all who have helped and supported the hall.

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Percy Sewell



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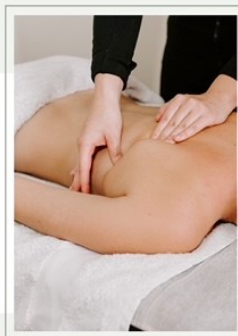
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