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## **Fools for Christ**

A pint of dove's milk. A spaghetti harvest. Big Ben goes digital. Three of the well-known pranks that have been played on April Fool's Day over the years.

The history of fooling goes back many hundreds of years and includes the tradition of the Court Jester, who as part of his role could speak the truth that others couldn't.

There is too a long tradition of people acting in seemingly foolish ways as part of their following of Christ. People who wouldn't recant their faith and who ended up being killed, others who won't toe the line with oppressive governments and end up imprisoned. Those who stand up against the prevailing culture because of their faith and end up being harmed in some way. All seemingly foolish acts, but not so in the eyes of God.

St Paul described himself as a "fool for Christ" (1 Corinthians 4.10), and in the world's eyes he was. Giving up a revered and respected position and becoming one of those whom he had originally persecuted was not the way to a quiet life. But Paul trusted that God would ultimately make all things well, so how others viewed him was in many ways irrelevant.

Another Bible verse suggests that God's foolishness is wiser than human wisdom and God's weakness is stronger than human strength (1 Corinthians 1.25). I wonder what that means for you as you read it.

It gives me hope – that when I feel weak and vulnerable, I can rely on God's strength and wisdom which are so much greater than my own. The Bible is full of seemingly weak humans who do amazing things with God's strength. As the Easter season continues, we are reminded that this is the power that is stronger than death and the love that cannot be quenched.

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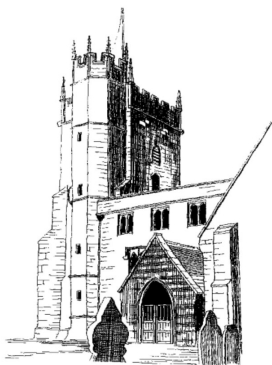
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**Warm Space** This continues every Wednesday from 10am to 3pm in the Church room. Do come and join us for a cup of hot coffee or a warming bowl of soup at lunchtime.

**Prayer Group** This continues to meet in the church room on Tuesday mornings from 10.30 until 11.30am. All are welcome.

**Bubble Church** will take place on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> April @ 3.45pm for refreshments and 4 pm start. Young families are welcome to come and join in the fun with treats, singing and a story with puppets.

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**APCM** this will take place on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April after morning service. This is an annual meeting that must be held each year to elect church wardens and other officers. Anyone may attend the meeting but only those on the church electoral roll may vote.

**Craft Group** this will take place on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> April at 12.30. If you would like to book your place then please contact Margaret [margaretmary227@gmail.com](mailto:margaretmary227@gmail.com) or 01305 849332

**The Village Lunch** will be on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> April at 12noon. We shall be serving chicken and vegetable traybake followed by the usual array of sumptuous pudd! A vegetarian dish will also be served. These must be booked in advance. If you haven't yet booked your place then please contact Sheila on 849193 or Jean on 848211.

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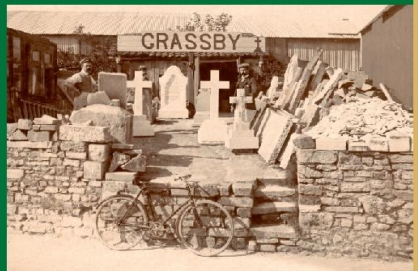


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I hope this bulletin is in time to wish you all a very happy and blessed Easter. In Toronto this winter we have got off very lightly in terms of the amount of snow, unlike other parts of Canada, such as the Maritimes which have had record breaking snowfalls. It would be nice to think that spring is just around the corner but the Canadian winter can give us some surprises so we will just wait and see. Some people reported seeing snowdrops in flower so that is usually a good sign.

I hit the new year with a problem with my hip (apparently a flare up of arthritis) and for a few weeks was creeping around with a walker and then a walking cane. However, the pain eased off and things are pretty much back to normal (just slight stiffness when I walk). Friends and neighbours have been very supportive (food, offers of a ride, offers to do grocery shopping etc.) I have a reputation for being the person who walks everywhere (not owning a car) so it was a bit of a shock to find myself unable to get out for a while.

Meanwhile my daughter and grandson from the Turks & Caicos have been to visit because Isaac, 15, is now at boarding school in Ontario and Charlie, 13, came to visit during half term to see his brother and the rest of the family who live in Toronto.

World news does not seem to improve but I hope and pray that during the coming year peace will be restored in the Middle East. I follow the news from Puddletown in the magazine on line so I can keep up with what is happening in the Benefice.

Once again, my best wishes and blessings to you all. *Diana*

### **Puddletown Food Bank**

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Usually after a couple of days and depending on the lamb's size and it's mothers desire to bond and then of course the weather conditions, the new family will be turned out to grass where the spring growth is high quality so the concentrates can be cut back as this grass and clover should be able to supply most of the ewes requirements. We place some small bales of straw in the field for the lambs to shelter behind if the weather is bad and they also act as part of their play ground as they get older and run around and jump on them.



We managed to sow some spring barley earlier in the month into some winter wheat stubble and a mustard cover crop which had been lightly disced to incorporate the residue before the drill went through on some fields above Cheselbourne. The seed was grown here on the farm last year and then cleaned and dressed to remove any impurities before being bagged in one tonne bags which are lifted above the drill by the JCB telehandler and untied to fill it up. The soil was still rather wet so we have left rolling it in until later in the spring.



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*Wakely Cox*

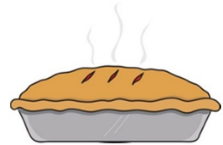
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**PLAYPARK UPDATED: BUTT CLOSE** - Puddletown: Exciting news! The Parish Council officially signed the Lease for Butt Close Playpark on March 12th, marking a significant step forward in enhancing recreational facilities in Puddletown. The document is now en route to Magna for their signature, after which it will be finalized. Following this completion, Puddletown Area Parish Council is gearing up to kickstart a consultation process to gather community input on the future development of the playpark. Your voice matters! If you have specific ideas or preferences for play equipment you'd like to see in the park, don't hesitate to reach out to the clerk with your suggestions. Together, we can create a vibrant and engaging space for all to enjoy.

**ORCHARD MEADOW** (Tolpuddle) – Thrilling news from Tolpuddle! The eagerly anticipated new flat seat swing unit has been successfully installed at Orchard Meadow. Since its installation, it has become a beloved feature of the park, delighting both children and adults alike. The swing is consistently occupied with enthusiastic users, adding to the charm and enjoyment of this beautiful green space. Come and experience the fun for yourself at Orchard Meadow!

**SAFE ROUTE TO SCHOOL:** Concern has been voiced by residents, regarding the need to address a "Safe Route to School" initiative. If this issue resonates with you and you feel passionately about ensuring the safety of our children on their journey to and from school, your involvement is crucial. Please, take a moment to reach out to as many people as you can to remind them to report any near miss incident they are involved in to Dorset council via <https://dorset-self.achieveservice.com/service/Report-a-non-injury-collision-or-near-miss>. Together, we can work towards implementing effective measures that prioritize the safety and well-being of our community's youngest members. Your input matters greatly in shaping the future of our neighbourhood and ensuring a secure environment for our children to thrive.

**HAVE YOU BEEN AFFECTED BY CRIME?** If you have been impacted by any form of crime, regardless of its scale, we urge you to report it to Dorset Police. Every report counts, as increased reporting leads to heightened police presence within our parish, fostering a safer environment for all. You can easily report incidents, no matter how small, through the Dorset Police website. Simply visit <https://www.dorset.police.uk/ro/report/ocr/af/how-to-report-a-crime> and follow the instructions provided. Your contribution plays a vital role in safeguarding our community and deterring criminal activity. Together, let's take proactive steps to ensure the well-being of our parish. Your diligence and cooperation are essential in maintaining a secure and thriving environment for everyone.

**ANNUAL PARISH MEETING FOR PUDDLETOWN & ATHELHAMPTON:** Mark your calendars! The Annual Parish Meeting for Puddletown & Athelhampton is scheduled for Tuesday, May 14th, 2024,

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### **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING FOR BURLESTON & TOLPUDDLE:**

Save the date! The Annual Parish Meeting for Tolpuddle & Burleston is scheduled for Tuesday, April 9th, 2024, starting at 6:30 PM. This gathering presents a valuable opportunity for us to engage with our community and listen to your contribution to its future. One of the highlights of the evening will be a presentation on the future of Orchard Meadow. Your input and feedback are essential in shaping the direction of this cherished community space. Don't miss this chance to have your say and play a role in the decisions that impact our shared environment. We encourage all residents to attend and participate in the discussion. Your insights and ideas are invaluable as we work together to enhance our parish for the benefit of all. See you there!

**PLANNING APPLICATION:** This month the Council received two planning applications:

Application No. P/CLP/2024/00897, Location: Barn Adjacent Forge Cottage Main Road Tolpuddle Dorset DT2 7EW, Proposal: Continuation of Residential development approved under planning permission WP/D/20/003150 and Listed Building consent WP/D/20/003151 which were commenced by reason of construction of the part foundations on site: Parish Council Recommendation: No objection.

Application No. P/HOU/2024/01114, Location: Oleander Whitehill Lane Tolpuddle DT2 7ER, Proposal: Erect detached garage to front of dwelling., Parish Council Recommendation: No objection.

Full details for all planning applications and outcomes can be found on the Dorset Council website, <https://www.dorsetcouncil.gov.uk/planning-buildings-land/planning>

**NEXT COUNCIL MEETING** – Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2024, at 6.30pm in the Tolpuddle Village Hall.

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February 2024		
	Rainfall for the month	124.50 mm
	Cumulative for the year	210.60 mm
	2023 Rainfall for the month	9.30 mm
	2023 Cumulative for the year	123.30 mm
	Temperatures	Max. 16.50° C Min. -1.40° C
	2023	Max. 16.10° C Min. -4.80° C
	Maximum wind speed	19.30 mph
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## St John's Church Tolpuddle April 2024

After the wet and windy times during February and March and now the early Easter is over, we are looking forward to some bright spring weather. Easter has been a busy time as Sarah would have needed to divide herself in 4 to run a service at each church, but Margaret our Lay preacher came to the rescue and performed the services both here and in Puddletown. So all the churches were able to have a communion service at this important time in the church year.

The concert in St John's church at the beginning of March was well attended despite having to change the program at the 11th hour due to sickness amongst the group of musicians. Dr Richard Hall put on a wonderful substitute program of music inspired by Dorset themes. The audience were very appreciative of both the music and the refreshments and the evening raised over £340 towards church funds as well as donating £100 to the Mosaic charity - a very worthwhile cause that supports local children who have suffered a bereavement. The original program has only been postponed, not cancelled, so watch out for the announcements of a future date, probably in May.

The monthly film evenings in the village hall have been very enjoyable but these have now come to an end for the summer months. However, TEC - our joint community group which raises money for church and hall - have many other plans for summer entertainments - including a casino night, a pre-loved treasure trail and summer fete. Also another music evening following the success of the folk group, Daisy and James who were here at the end of February.



Sadly the problem with the church roof has reared its ugly head again due to the stormy weather in February. A section of the copper roof over the North Aisle has been leaking very badly and causing large puddles on the floor near the organ. Gutters have been cleaned and sections of the copper reattached where they were lifting, however the problem remains. A roofing specialist is preparing a report and quotes for repairs to a section or replacement of the whole North Aisle roof.

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We offer a variety of services, for those who appreciate their familiar traditional prayers as well as those who are looking for something a bit different. Or as the church is open daily between dawn and dusk, just come in to enjoy the peace and quiet.

Parish Communion - First and Third Sunday at 9.30am needs no introduction - we are always looking for volunteers to do the occasional Bible reading or even lead the intercession prayers – although this might seem intimidating but the churchwardens are happy to help and advise.

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# Tolpuddle Old Chapel Trust

Tolpuddle Old Chapel has continued with its programme of craft workshops and related events through the winter months although it has been closed for 'drop in' visits. We are opening again twice every week from the end of March.

From April to October 2024 we will be running a historical project under the title of 'Tolpuddle Family Lives' funded by Historic England's national programme for 2024: 'Everyday Heritage: celebrating Working-Class Histories'. Our project focusses on imagining the past as experienced by the Dorset rural working class, those who laboured in the cottages and on the land - who were, in the 19th century, among the very poorest working people in the country. We hope that we will uncover some of the largely overlooked parts of local rural history with a particular focus on women and children. 'Tolpuddle Family Lives' will cover a wide period span through to the 20thC, and collect evidence and family stories from a variety of sources. This will not be 'dry' history; we will explore creative ways of bringing the past to life, and activities will include celebrating the skills and cultures of rural labourers through craft workshops, concerts and related events. All are welcome to participate in this free programme, a key element of which will be 'co-creation' – participants will be offered opportunities to influence the direction and the delivery of the project. Further details will be published soon on our new website.

The programme will include a run of visiting speakers in April and May (see below for details). In the meantime, please feel free to add your details to the mailing list on our website if you are interested and wish to participate.

Tolpuddle Family Lives Speaker Programme

**Wed 3rd April** Philip Martin. Launch of 'Tolpuddle Family Lives'

'Tolpuddle Family Lives' is a full programme of events running at Tolpuddle Old Chapel from April through to October, funded by Historic England, the National Heritage Lottery and Tolpuddle Old Chapel Trust. Philip will introduce the programme and provide further details of the events and opportunities for local residents.

**Wed 10<sup>th</sup> April Philip Martin, 'The Building in our midst: A brief history of Tolpuddle Old Chapel and the stories it holds'.** What do we know about the Old Chapel and the people that built it? In this talk Philip will describe the Old Chapel's history, what we know about those who worshipped there, and its social and religious contexts.



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**Wed 24<sup>th</sup> April Rachel Worth, 'Rural Working-Class Clothing and Change in Victorian England'.** In this illustrated talk, Rachel will describe how the rural poor dressed in the nineteenth century with particular reference to Dorset. She will discuss the historical sources that help us create a clearer picture of a neglected topic: for example, rare surviving examples of dress, photographs, works of art and fictional literature in the context of her knowledge of the economies of fabrics and clothes.

**Wed 8<sup>th</sup> May Sophie Wright, 'The Life of Tolpuddle's landless, working folk'.** Sophie Wright, author the play, 'To Win the Day' about the Tolpuddle wives, will talk about the unsung people of Dorset and the hardships of nineteenth-century country life. Sophie will use song and quotations to illustrate the talk, drawing on a variety of sources including the local songs collected by the Hammond brothers in the early years of the twentieth century.

**Wed 15<sup>th</sup> May Steve Wallis, 'Drowning the Landscape'.** This talk is about one of the most important features in the history of local farm labour: the watermeadows of the Frome and Piddle valleys, particularly those within a few miles of Dorchester. It will be illustrated with aerial photographs and ground views of particular features, plus 'then and now' comparisons using old photographic and postcard records.

**Wed 29<sup>th</sup> May Anne Brown, '150 years of Courtroom Drama'** This talk will relate stories of ordinary working folk who appeared in the courtroom at Dorchester's Shire Hall in the nineteenth century, reflecting the conditions in which Dorset's rural poor lived and how they engaged with the justice system of the times. Shire Hall was the centre of justice and local government from 1797 to 1955. The Georgian courtroom was the scene of famous and infamous trials throughout this period, from the internationally significant Tolpuddle Martyrs, to Martha Brown, said to be the inspiration for Hardy's Tess of the D'Uberilles. Particularly fascinating are the stories of the ordinary Dorset men, women and children who found themselves in the dock during the 19<sup>th</sup> century. From tragedy to comedy, what can they tell us about life in Dorset in the past? In this talk we will meet child criminals, resourceful smugglers, inept engine drivers, and encounter an alleged witch.



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## **Tolpuddle Events Committee (TEC)**

February was a busy month with some successful evenings of live music with Daisy and James, and a film night (Gosford Park). In March we held a First Aid course which was fully attended, and we hope to hold another one if there is enough interest, courtesy of Kieran Williams (thank you Kieran!)

We are looking forward to another year packed with events in Tolpuddle. These are currently as follows:

### **EVENTS PLANNED FOR 2024**

First Aid for Dogs – 13 April

Soap Making Talk and Demo – 30 April

Live Music – Rodney Branigan - 4 May

Casino Night, Cocktails and Jazz – 22 June

Jumble Trail – end June or early July

Martyrs Weekend – Breakfasts / Village Hall lunches – Weekend of 20-21 July

Summer Fete – 25 August

Live Music – October

Film Nights resume October

Bonfire and Fireworks – 1 or 2 November

Xmas Parties – children - December (date TBC)

## **Tolpuddle Family Lives: A People's Heritage**

Funded by Historic England's national initiative, 'Everyday Heritage: Celebrating Working-Class Histories', Tolpuddle Family Lives is about imagining the past as experienced by the Dorset rural working-class, those who laboured in the cottages and on the land - who were, in the 19th century - among the very poorest working people in the country. The project will uncover largely overlooked parts of the Tolpuddle story, with a particular focus on women and children. It will collect evidence from a wide variety of sources, and explore creative ways of bringing the past to life. Activities will also include celebrating the skills and cultures of rural labourers through craft workshops, concerts and related activities. A key element of this programme is 'co-creation' – participants will be offered multiple opportunities to influence the direction and the delivery of the project which is planned to run from April to October.

The Project Director and Chair of Tolpuddle Old Chapel Trust, Professor Philip Martin, said, 'We are delighted to be part of this exciting and important national programme run by Historic England which shines a light into those parts of our national heritage too often overlooked, under-valued, and unappreciated. We look forward to welcoming anyone who is interested in participating, and no prior experience or expertise is required.'



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## Milborne St Andrew Church News

Lent has been a busy time for our church services. We hosted the Benefice's Ash Wednesday service when there was the imposition of ashes followed by a communion. We held Evening Compline services on a Wednesday night which were attended by a few. As I write this, arrangements are being made for the Good Friday Liturgy service and for the Easter Sunday Communion service.

Sarah has run a Lent Course based on the book and film 'Chocolat'. It proved to be very thought provoking. It was interesting hearing people's thoughts and interpretations of some of the issues raised by the story.

We look forward to the display of flowers at Easter, which have been purchased with donations made by people who wish to remember their loved ones who have died. Traditionally Lilies were provided but they are hard to source so other flowers may be displayed.

The Church Council is in ongoing discussion with Fundraising and Giving Officers from Salisbury Diocese so that they can find ways to increase necessary capital to pay for our church's upkeep. We are hoping to 'go digital' as so many people no longer carry cash around with them. We are also exploring ways to raise more money to help maintain our church, which is the oldest and most historic building in the village.

As always, we are grateful to all who do support the church, whether by being part of the congregation, one of the members who clean, flower arrange, garden and do many more necessary voluntary roles or who make regular financial donations. A big thank you to all who currently help. If anyone is interested in supporting the church in any way, please get in touch with one of the Churchwardens.

*Pam & Tony,  
Churchwardens*

### Milborne St. Andrew Gardening Club

In March our speaker gave us a range of hints and tips to help us grow our own vegetables more successfully. In April, we consider garden design. On 18<sup>th</sup> April, Julie Haycock, a professional garden designer, will give us an introduction to garden design.

If you feel that you could do more with your outside space and need some inspiration and new ideas, why not come along? We start at 7.30pm in the village hall. Cost is just £2 for non members and includes tea, coffee and biscuits..


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# The High Sheriff of Dorset

Colin Weston MBE JP

## High Sheriff Awards 2024 Honours Dorset's Unsung Heroes

The Dorset Museum came alive with a sense of celebration and gratitude as over 120 dignitaries, volunteers, and community leaders, gathered for the High Sheriff Awards 2024. Hosted by the High Sheriff of Dorset, Colin Weston MBE JP, the event recognised the exceptional contributions of individuals and groups dedicated to improving safety and lives in Dorset communities.

The High Sheriff Awards are a symbol of distinction and acknowledgment bestowed upon those who exemplify the spirit of altruism and service. Under the theme "Helping One Another," this year's 22 recipients were celebrated for their selfless dedication to making a meaningful difference in the lives of others.

Colin Weston remarked, "It was a special evening for everyone involved. I am privileged to recognise the hard work and unwavering commitment of the volunteers across Dorset who generously give their time to support their communities and those in need."

The event showcased the remarkable achievements of community groups and charities, providing them with a platform to share their work and inspire others. The evening culminated in a captivating performance by the Bovington Military Wives Choir, whose heartfelt tribute to military families left a lasting impact on the audience.

In her role as Undersheriff of Dorset, Katharine Jones, Partner at HK Law commented: "We are proud to support the work of the High Sheriff, and to help organise and run tonight's event. It was a pleasure to see so many worthy groups and individuals receiving the recognition that they deserve, and to enjoy the wonderful performance by the Bovington Military Wives Choir."

Expressing gratitude to the Dorset Museum for hosting the event, Colin Weston extended his appreciation to all those who made the event possible. The High Sheriff Awards underscored the invaluable contributions of individuals and organisations dedicated to building a stronger, more inclusive Dorset.



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For further information on the award winners, or any media inquiries related to the event, please contact:

Geoff Bates  
Office of the Undersheriff  
Email: g.bates@hklaw.uk  
Phone: 01202 714589

**Full List of High Sheriff Award Recipients:**

1. The Drop In Portland - Individual Award - Lisa Osborn
2. Rendezvous - Sherborne - Individual Award - Jemma Turner
3. Under 17 Driving Club - Individual Award - Doug Kettlewell
4. The Bank of Dreams and Nightmares - The Charity
5. B Sharp - The Charity
6. Somerford Youth Centre - Individual Award - Jae Harris
7. 100&First Foundation - Individual Award - Sam Cloud
8. Doc Bike - Individual Award - Ian Mew
9. National Coast Watch - Swanage
10. YFW Blood Bikes - Individual Awards - Andrew Wiley (Chair) and Dr. Charles Campion-Smith
11. Dorset Search & Rescue - Individual Award - Trevor Antell
12. Dorset Rotary - Individual Award - David Welch
13. Dorset Community Action - Individual Award - Paula Bennet
14. Community Action Network - Individual Award - Karen Loftus
15. Weymouth Street Pastors
16. Dorset Police volunteer - Janet Ranger
17. Andrew Fear - Chair of the Independent Custody Visiting Panel
18. Yvonne Fenwick, Unit Leader, Wey Valley Police Cadet Unit
19. Rebecca Knox - Chair of the Dorset & Wiltshire Fire
20. The Keep Dorchester - Individual Award - Chris Jary
21. Bovington Military Wives Choir



# Cafe'

COMMUNITY

Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May 2024

10am - 2pm in the Village Hall

Join us for coffee, tea, bacon sandwiches, cakes and local stalls.  
Or just come for a chat!

We'd love cake makers and stall holders etc. If you can help, send us a message, or email us at [puddcommcafe@gmail.com](mailto:puddcommcafe@gmail.com)

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Milborne St Andrew Village are planning a '**Big Dorset Apple Cake Day**' to be held on **Saturday 1st June 2024** at the MSA Village Hall

1st June is in fact DORSET DAY!

We are planning to have 100 cakes which in turn will be displayed as one massive Dorset Apple Cake and are looking for bakers (do you have an old recipe stashed away? Or try your hand at a recipe found by other means).

On the day we will display the cake and have a Grand Cutting Ceremony followed by a cafe where you can buy a slice or a whole cake to be eaten over the days to come (don't forget to order your clotted cream!)

Please follow the links in the poster for more details or ring on the mobile provided. We would love to see you there, so Save The Date!



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Or call 07824 638237.

**Share your bakes or just eat cake!**  
The big reveal is on Dorset Day, Saturday, June 1,  
at Milborne St Andrew Village Hall



I saw this quote me think of the when trying to get day. Life is all about things have to be so that you can move At Preschool our only no other chores to away from them . we have so many the children which rewarding. The daily praise that goes into supporting children to persevere with new tasks or coping in a social situation is one of the constant things we do in order to develop children's confidence and self-esteem. The ability to then share in their joy and pride when they recognise they can 'do it' is nothing short of heart-warming. It may seem a little thing that a child can, after weeks of trying, zip up their lunch box, but to us it's a moment of shared celebration.

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recently and it made difficulty parents face their child through the balance and some done for children just on with the next task. focus is the child and take our attention Throughout our day glimmers of joy with makes the job so encouragement and



This is not the only thing that brings joy to a Preschool teachers day!! Little things that make our lives easier and tidy up our space makes us so happy. We are thankful to MSA First school for handing down this welly boot rack. We are now able take all the wellies out of their storage box and pair them up.

Mother's Day has just passed and we really hope that all the mums out there felt special on this day. Some of our children gave a picture of a pink colour monster (the colour of love) or planted cress seeds.



## **Fundraising**

**Coming to MSA date TBC - Jumble Trail around the village.** Follow us for more info

Easter is on the horizon and we have just launched a fundraiser for this. We are looking to allocate the funds towards storage furniture and outside play resources. Do join in with our Easter Fundraiser.



How to participate

🐣 I have designed 10 different Easter Egg designs which I will print off for anyone taking part. You can pick one design for your household, or you can pick multiple designs. They are £1 each. Let me know which ones you would like printed (I have numbered them in the photos), and I will deliver them to you and collect the money. They will all have a number allocated to them to go on a map so that the children (and adults) know where to hunt for eggs.

🐣 Colour in your design / designs and place them somewhere visible when walking by. They need to be displayed by the end of the day on Thursday 28th March as the Easter Holidays start on Friday 29th March.

🐣 Village Easter Egg Hunt maps can be purchased for £2 each and everyone gets a prize. Over the Easter Holidays take your map out on your walks with you, spot the colourful Easter Eggs in windows around the village, and note down their numbers on the map. Once you have completed your map come and collect your prize.

🐣 Hand your Easter Egg designs back into me between the 15th - 17th April so that I can get them up to Ladybirds Pre-school ready for the Ladybirds to choose their favourite design on Friday 19th April. I will then deliver a prize to the winner.

To order your designs and your maps you can contact Carly, by text message/voicemail (be sure to leave your number) on 07834060662, or by email: [balance@rokanctuary.com](mailto:balance@rokanctuary.com)

🐣 Anyone who does not live in Milborne Saint Andrew that wishes to take part can use our window to display your designs. We want everyone to be able to enjoy this activity 🐣

Thank you 😊

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# Milborne Petanque

Hello Msa sporty Villagers.  
MSA Petanque activity info's & updates.

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This is an initial informative "heads up bulletin" to get all of us thinking and excited about the MSA boules/ Petanque activities starting in spring -24.

When:

First official game and event is tentatively planned to start on Saturday 13th April 24 coinciding with and after the Milborne St Andrew cafe morning.

!!!Date to be finalised as yet!!!

Who can play:

Everyone and all ages are welcome.

Want to play already ?

The court is available NOW, and to borrow boules please contact Rich Hawker at the Corner Cottage on 07393 309037

For all other questions or input please contact us at:  
[milborne.petanque@gmail.com](mailto:milborne.petanque@gmail.com)

Regular updates and more in depth details will follow shortly via:  
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## Knit and Natter for Charity



at Tolpuddle Old Chapel

Our **'Knit and Natter for Charity'** group  
at the Tolpuddle Old Chapel  
is now every 2nd Friday of the month  
from 10:30am – 12:30pm

Our 'natter dates' for 2024 are:

12<sup>th</sup> January, 9<sup>th</sup> February, 8<sup>th</sup> March, 12<sup>th</sup> April,  
10<sup>th</sup> May, 14<sup>th</sup> June, 12<sup>th</sup> July, 9<sup>th</sup> August,  
13<sup>th</sup> September, 11<sup>th</sup> October, 8<sup>th</sup> November  
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## Calligraphy at the Old Chapel, Tolpuddle



Workshops led by Mel Bartlett

We are offering workshops of traditional calligraphy using dip pens. Both sessions are suitable for all ages, beginners or the budding calligrapher who wishes to brush up on their skills.

**Saturday 16 March 2024** 10:30am – 1:00pm

Session 1 - Foundational script created by Edward Johnston at the beginning of the 20<sup>th</sup> century, adapted from the 13<sup>th</sup> century Caroline minuscule script from the Ramsey Psalter. Cost £25

**Saturday 13 April 2024** 10:30am – 1:00pm

Session 2 – Uncial script used in Greek and Latin scripts during the Dark Ages, dating back to as early as 4<sup>th</sup> century. Cost £25

All materials and equipment will be provided. In the event of a lack of interest, workshops will be cancelled and fees refunded.

To book your place on one or more workshops, please email:  
[deliverymanager@tolpuddleoldchapeltrust.org](mailto:deliverymanager@tolpuddleoldchapeltrust.org).

You will then be invoiced for the full amount before the workshop.

**About Mel:**

Mel attended Roehampton University and obtained a degree in Calligraphy with first class honours. Since graduating, she has created commemorative works, undertaken commissions and run workshops. See her work on Instagram at [Melanie.bartlett.calligraphy](https://www.instagram.com/melanie.bartlett.calligraphy).


**Did you know?** The Uncial script was the first to include lower case letters.

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**Total cost £250**

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**About Matt:**

Matt is an artist, crafter and baker. After studying Fine Art at university he opened an artisan bakery. During a period of ill health he started crafting to improve his quality of life – he is particularly interested in sewing, quilting and papercraft. He has run a number of workshops before on baking and various crafts.

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## Tolpuddle Family Lives

Everyday Heritage – Celebrating Working Class Histories  
at Tolpuddle Old Chapel

TOCT is about to commence an exciting project to collect stories about the lives of people living in the past and present in Tolpuddle and surrounding villages.

As part of this project, we are looking for local crafts people who would like to create cushions for Tolpuddle Old Chapel that reflect these stories.

A range of crafts can be used such as tapestry, patchwork, embroidery, applique.

All materials and guidance will be provided.  
There is no cost to take part in this project.

If you are interested or would like more information, email  
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## Services in the Benefice

### 7th April - Easter 2

**Psalm 133; Acts 4.32-35; John 20.19-end**

9.30am	Parish Communion	Tolpuddle
9.30am	Milborne Praise	Milborne
11.00am	Parish Communion	Puddletown
11.00am	BCP Morning Prayer	Dewlish
4.00pm	Bubble Church	Puddletown VH

### 14th April - Easter 3

**Psalm 4; Acts 3.12-19; Luke 24.36b-48**

9.30am	Parish Communion	Milborne
11.00am	Puddletown Praise	Puddletown
11.00am	Parish Communion	Dewlish
5.30pm	Sunday Reflections	Tolpuddle

### 21st April - Easter 4

**Psalm 23; Acts 4.5-12; John 10.11-18**

9.30am	Parish Communion	Tolpuddle
9.30am	Worship in Stillness	Milborne
11.00am	Parish Communion followed by APCM and bring + Share lunch	Puddletown
11.00am	Family Service	Dewlish

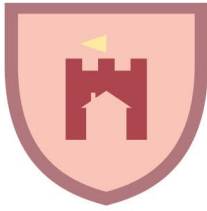
### 28th April - Easter 5

**Psalm 22.25-end; Acts 8.26-end; John 15.1-8**

9.30am	Parish Communion	Milborne
10.00am	Go Fourth	Tolpuddle
11.00am	BCP Matins (traditional language)	Puddletown
11.00am	Parish Communion	Dewlish

### **MORNING PRAYERS (Mon. – Thurs. 8.30 a.m.; Sat. 9.00 a.m.)**

On Zoom, please contact Sarah Hillman ([sarah.c.hillman@outlook.com](mailto:sarah.c.hillman@outlook.com)) for the link (Please note that the calendar of services may be subject to change)



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