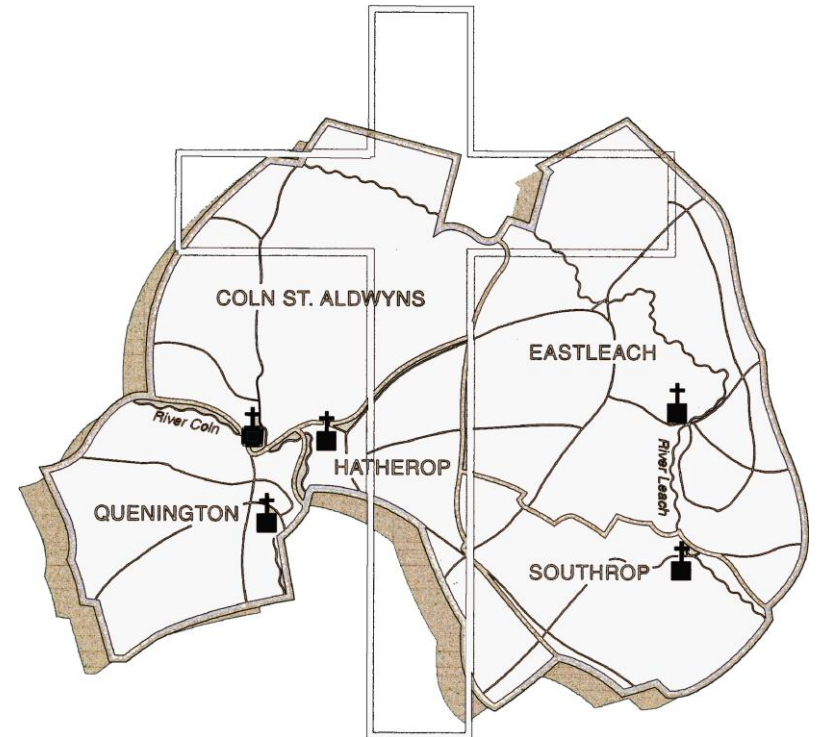


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A risk worth taking?

I saw my wife drive by. I raced down the hill determined to beat her home by taking a short cut. As I turned off the road my back wheel slid from under me; I was going too fast. The inevitable happened, I fell off my bike. I jumped to my feet and checked no one had seen me fall before allowing a stifled cry. To make matters worse it wasn't even our car – it was just one that looked similar. I hadn't had an accident like this for some 3 decades – a return to pre-pubescent bicycle foolery.

As my writing hand needed a rest I was able to reflect on the causes of my accident. I had taken a risk and it hadn't paid off. I regretted the injury but didn't regret cycling fast. Cycling fast can be terrifically joyful – it wakes me up and I feel fully alive. There seems to be a correlation between risk and being fully alive. If we make ourselves too comfortable we can sleep walk through life missing the beauty and the joy.

What risks are sensible? What risks are worth taking? As there are physical risks and challenges so there are emotional, relational and professional risks. Not foolish risks that might end in catastrophe, personal injury or financial disaster but sensible risks that will help us fulfil our potential and maximise the positive impact we have on the people around us, our community and wider world. Take the risk of offering someone friendship, take the risk of forgiving, take the risk exploring life's mysteries.

Through the seasons of Lent and Easter we are celebrating the life and mission of Jesus Christ, a person who took profound personal risk so that we might know God. Our response is to open ourselves to him and the love he offers - taking risks so that we might experience the fullness of being alive in this world and the next.

May you know beauty and joy.

Every blessing
 Revd Craig

Welcome

Ruth and Peter Jenkins who have just moved into 4 Eastleach

Funeral

Sue Mackenzie, Memorial, Coln St Aldwyns, Friday 25th January

Beryl Bishop, Cremation in Swindon, Eastleach, Monday 11th February

Baptism

Freddie and William Tarplee, Quenington, Sunday 20th January

Willoughby Cool, Quenington, Sunday 27th January

Theodore Leatham, Quenington, Sunday 3rd February

Arthur Longsdon, Southrop, Sunday 10th February

Sister Frances Domenica of Helen House Hospice will give a Lent Reflection on Thursday 21st March – contain Craig Bishop for more information

Lent lunches, 12.30pm to 2pm an opportunity to share a simple soup and bread lunch. There will be a collection to support local youth work and a charity nominated by our hosts.

Wednesday 6th March, The Quoin, Southrop with Margaret Davey

Wednesday 13th March, The Vicarage. Coln St Aldwyns

Wednesday 20th March, No35, Hatherop with Jenny and Bob Iles

Lent Course, continuing on Tuesdays through Lent, St Peter’s Southrop, at 6pm a service of said evening prayer followed by a reflection. This year we will be using Bishop Michael’s book, *Jesus and Peter: Growing in Friendship with God*, as a basis of our course. Copies of Bishop Michael’s book can be order from the Corner Stone, 3 Dollar Street, Cirencester, GL7 2BQ, tel. 01285 644599

Daily Prayer in Lent, the Bishop is encouraging daily prayer in every parish through Lent. Material will be in every church and available from the Vicar on request. The readings and thoughts for the day are around the themes of Fast and Feast, Bread and Wine, gathered around the title, “*Eat the Bread, Drink the Wine, of the Kingdom.*”

There will an additional services in Coln every Monday, 12noon

Hatherop, Friday 8th and 15th March, 10am

x:site, the next event is on Saturday 9th March, in Kempsford Primary School, 6pm - 8pm. A high energy event for 7 to 11 year olds. A participant said, “It was lots of fun; the activities were fantastic. I can’t wait for next time.” All welcome, please contact the Vicar for more information 01285 750013

Easter services, see the centre of the magazine for our special services through Holy week and over the Easter weekend

Easter gardens and egg hunt, Saturday 30th March, 3pm, The Vicarage, Coln St Aldwyns – everyone welcome. [Donations of small Easter eggs gratefully received]

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FIVE VILLAGE DIARY

Mar 6	Lent Lunch
Mar 7	Southrop Parish Council Open Public Meeting
Mar 7	Eastleach & Southrop Friendship Circle Eastleach Village
Mar 9	X:site, Kempsford Primary
Mar 9	Quenington Coffee Morning, Quenington Village Hall, 10.30am-12pm
Mar 9&10	Southrop Litter Pick
Mar 12	CHEQS Gardening Clubb Talk
Mar 13	Cotswold Decorative and Fine Arts Society AGM
Mar 13	Lent Lunch
Mar 14	Quenington Parish Council Meeting
Mar 16	Coln Litter Pick
Mar 16	Hatherop Primary Easter Fete
Mar 18	Lechlade History Society Talk
Mar 20	Lent Lunch
Mar 21	Lent Reflection, Talk by Sister Frances Domenica of Helen House Hospice
Mar 22	Coln Cinema
Mar 23	Eastleach Litter Pick
Mar 23	Hatherop Litter Pick
Mar 24	Burford Singers Concert
Mar 30	Easter Gardens & Egg Hunt
April 4	Eastleach & Southrop Friendship Circle Southrop Village Hall Talk + Slides on the Oak & Furrows Wildlife Rescue Centre
April 9	CHEQS Gardening Club Visit
April 13	Fairford & District Choral Society Concert
April 21	Quenington Old Rectory Red Cross Open Garden
April 26	Quenington Society Visit
April 26	Coln Cinema
April 27	Corinium Players Guitar Ensemble
April 28	Quenington Old Rectory Red Cross Rare Plants Sale
May 18	Quenington Village Fete
June 8	Southrop Village Fete, Jubilee Field
June 16	June 16-July 7 Fresh Air 2013
August 24	Eastleach Village Fete
August 31	Coln Village Fete

VILLAGE ROUNDUP

The Editor reserves the right to exclude any article considered unsuitable and does not accept liability for anything contained in the magazine. All items submitted for inclusion should include the name and contact details of the sender in case of any questions. Material for inclusion in the Village Roundup should please be received no later than THE 12TH DAY OF THE MONTH PRIOR TO PUBLICATION. Contact Rachel Mehtar on 01367 850450 or rachel.mehtar@talk21.com. If emailing it would be very helpful if text could be copied into the email itself. Please note no colour can be used. Advertisers should please contact Allan Lees, 01285 750260.

THANK YOU FROM GLOUCESTER CITY MISSION

It's back to routine now in the Gloucester City Mission office after a bit of a Christmas break, but I wanted to take the time to express my gratitude for your contribution to our hamper project. We were blown away by the amount of goods that we received this year and were able to put together more hampers than ever before, so thank you so much for your help. The majority of our Christmas hampers were distributed through the carol service that we ran for our street friends. It was a wonderful event with the opportunity to sing some carols, provide a hot sausage & chips lunch and share the love of God with the 90 plus individuals that attended. There are some photos from the event and of the putting together of all of our hampers on our Facebook page which you can see at www.facebook.com/GloucesterCityMission. None of the donations that we received for our hamper project went to waste. Additional Christmas gift bags were distributed to our friends that couldn't make it to the carol service, and we were even able to bless the City Mission in Worcester with some hampers to distribute to the homeless in their area. It's always a treat seeing the expression on the faces of our friends as we give out our Christmas hampers. The goodies contained within a simple carrier bag are often the only presents that they can expect to receive and they are always incredibly appreciative, especially given the high quality of hampers that we were able to give out thanks to your generous donations. Without your support at this time of the year, and throughout the year, the work of Gloucester City Mission would not be anything like as effective, so please allow me to express my gratitude to you once again. Wishing you all the best for 2013. Mike Curtis

QUENINGTON VILLAGE HALL 100 CLUB – FEB WINNERS

1st No.3 J Sewell, 2nd No.6 B Bostock, 3rd No.34 G Holton. New members welcome. £12 per number per year. Contact David Bostock on 750456.

QUENINGTON VILLAGE HALL COFFEE MORNING

Saturday 9th March 10:30-12:00 noon. Come and celebrate Mothering Sunday with Complimentary Chocolate treat for all Mums, young and old. Accompanying children most welcome. Tea and coffee, home made cakes and raffle, friends old and new waiting for your arrival. See you there!

Be the first to know what's going on in the Village Hall by signing up to our eNewsletter. Email the Hall at queningtonvillagehall@gmail.com and join the list.

Quenington Village Hall Coffee Morning, 10.30am-12pm – every second Saturday of the month

SOUTHROP LITTERPICK

Southrop Litterpick will take place on Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th March.

If you can offer a few hours help to collect the litter from the Parish verges please come to Southrop Village Green at 10am on either (or both!) of the days. You will be equipped with bags, gloves and a picking stick, and allotted a short stretch of grass verge to clear. Bags may be left by the roadside to be collected. Thank you!

LECHLADE HISTORY SOCIETY

Monday 18th March: Old Paths and Trackways of Gloucestershire

Alan Pilbeam will describe the local and long-distance paths used for trade, work and leisure through the ages. 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall. Guests welcome £4. Contact Alan Garnell 01367 253087 or visit www.lechladehistory.co.uk.

LECHLADE COMMUNITY LIBRARY

Have you visited Lechlade's Community Library yet? Come in and see the new books now in stock for children and adults; book time on one of our computers; find information on local organisations, businesses and events; or just pop in to meet some of our many volunteers who are helping to run this service – they will be delighted to welcome you.

Library opening hours: Monday 10–4; Wednesday 10–1; Friday 1–7; Saturday 10–1.

Rhyme, Story and Song for pre-school children on Wednesday mornings and Storytime for pre-school and primary aged children on Saturday mornings. Free events, no need to book. For more information about library activities and events contact info@lechladelibrary.co.uk or telephone Sue Coakley on 01367 253306.

QUENINGTON SOCIETY

Friday 26th April @ 2.30pm. After Sir Nicholas Mander's talk in November we have the opportunity to visit Owlpen Manor in Dursley on Friday 26th April (travelling in shared cars). Tour of house, gardens and church with Sir Nicholas, followed by a cream tea for £18 per head. To book a place by contacting Janet Goddard on 750323. janetriverside@yahoo.co.uk. Cheques payable to The Quenington Society.

NEWS FROM THE SWAN

Graham Williams is back at the Swan by popular demand. The debonair front of house from a few years ago is back in his old role as the host with the most at the Swan. The food is better than it's ever been, and Graham is there to make sure you enjoy it as you always did. The fires are lit, the chefs are ready, the new wine list is in place... the food is now all locally grown, reared and sourced (almost all anyway: we have to buy in the chocolate). Telephone 01367 850205 for a table.

COLN LITTER PICK

There will a village litter pick around Coln St. Aldwyns on Saturday 16th March. We will meet outside Coln Stores at 10.00am. Everybody is welcome to join the team and tidy up our parish. It made such a difference last year and even more helpers will be very welcome this year.

SOUTHROP PARISH COUNCIL

The Council has recently received a number of complaints regarding the failure of some owners to clean up after their dogs. This is socially unacceptable and also creates a serious health hazard, especially for young children and toddlers. It would therefore be much appreciated by and beneficial to everyone else in the Village if those concerned would please take their legal responsibilities in this matter seriously. Thank you

DIARY DATES AT THE VICTORIA INN, EASTLEACH

Sun 24th Feb - Quiz Night 8.00. Curry supper available at half time @ £5.
Fri 1st March - Whisky Tasting Evening. Book your Tickets now to avoid disappointment. Sat 16th March - Come & celebrate St Patricks Day. live music with Irish folk group 8.00p.m . 2 course £10.50 menu available Mon, Tues.Weds lunch & evenings . Thurs. lunch only. Available throughout Feb & March (excl Easter). Thurs. evening--- the ever popular steak night, 2 steaks & bottle of wine – only £20!

THE COTSWOLD DECORATIVE AND FINE ARTS SOCIETY

The Cotswold Decorative and Fine Arts Society will hold its AGM and March lecture on Wednesday, March 13. Steven Desmond will discuss "The Odd Couple: the Gardens of Edwin Lutyens and Gertrude Jekyll". In the spring of 1889 the young architect Edwin Lutyens, later to become the most famous British architect of the 20th century, met the artist-gardener-craftswoman Gertrude Jekyll for the first time. Though Lutyens always found women difficult, he found in the daunting Miss Jekyll someone who empathised with his ideas regarding design and distinctiveness. Together they set a standard of excellence which has been admired ever since.

The AGM begins at 10.30, the lecture at 11.00, held at the Bradwell Village Hall, Burford OX18 4XF. Non-members are very welcome (suggested donation £8). See our website www.cotswolddfas.org for more information.

CHEQS GARDENING CLUB

On Tuesday 12th March we have a very special talk on Trees by the renowned Tony Russell who was former head of Westonbirt Arboretum, and is a BBC garden writer and broadcaster.

The talk is at 7-30pm at Southrop Village Hall and guests are most welcome (£3).

On Tuesday April 9th, we visit Ablington Manor Garden to see drifts of Spring bulbs by the river Coln in the beautiful setting of an Elizabethan Manor Garden.

Members who have not yet renewed their membership and wish to do so, and anyone who wishes to join for the first time, please contact any member of the committee - we have a wonderful programme for 2013. Details at back of magazine.

HATHEROP VILLAGE LITTER PICKING AND PLAYGROUND MAINTENANCE

Saturday, 23rd March 2013

at 10.30am

Meeting at Hatherop Primary School

Please help, if you can, as many hands make light work!

As well as litter picking, we will be spreading bark chippings

to keep the playground safe for children.

For more information see Hatherop notice board or tel. Fiona Clark 750336

FAIRFORD & DISTRICT CHORAL SOCIETY

Fairford & District Choral Society looks forward to your company at its next concert "*Music for Two Elizabeths*" on **Saturday 13th April at 7.30 p.m. in St Mary's Church, Fairford.** The programme will include music by Byrd, Britten, Elgar, Finzi, Gibbons, Parry, Tallis and Vaughan Williams.

Tickets (£10 or £5 for under 18s) will be on sale from 1st March, from Blenheim Antiques, Market Place, Fairford (01285 712094) or by telephoning 01285 713681 or via the choir's website (www.fairford.org/choralsociety).

Sunday 21st April RED CROSS GARDENS OPEN

Quenington Old Rectory – 2.00 pm to 5.00 pm

Refreshments available. Well behaved dogs on leads welcome
£4.00 admission for Adults

All proceeds to the Local Branch of the Red Cross

Sunday 28th April RARE PLANTS SALE

Quenington Old Rectory – 11.00 am to 4.00 pm

Event organised by Plants Fairs Ltd

Tea & Cakes available; organised by Colbalt Trust, Cheltenham

£5.00 admission for Adults, No Dogs Allowed

A donation of the proceeds to The Colbalt Trust

SOUTHROP PARISH COUNCIL

20 mph Speed Limit/Zone for Southrop - Open Public Meeting

An Open Public Meeting is to be held in Southrop Village Hall on 7th March at 7.30pm when the outcome of the traffic speed tests undertaken in 2012 will be presented by Mr Scott Macaulay-Lowe of Gloucestershire County Highways, together with the options and accompanying costs of instituting a 20 mph speed limit/zone in the Village. All residents are strongly encouraged to attend to ensure they are fully aware as regards the implications of introducing such a speed limit/zone, to have any questions answered and to both inform and enable the Council to move forward in the best interests of the Parish. Further details are provided in the CHEQS distributed to Southrop residents.

EASTLEACH PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council is once again taking part in the Cotswold Spring-clean, organised by Cotswold District Council. If you can spare an hour to help, please meet outside the Victoria Inn at 10.00a.m. on Saturday 23rd March 2013 where all materials will be provided. Many hands make light work!

BOOTCAMP PILATES AT THE PILATES BARN!

In addition to our traditional pilates reformer classes we are delighted to announce that we are now running a New Bootcamp Style of Pilates on our 11 reformer machines. These classes involve an invigorating pulse-raising workout to music which will really put you through your paces.

We have different levels of classes to suit everyone and it has certainly been very popular with the men as they get much more of a strength and endurance style workout for the core as well as the legs and arms.

It certainly improves back and abdominal strength at a faster pace whilst still using the highly trained techniques of Joseph Pilates.

If you want to have try, drop in to a Thursday night class at 6:30 pm or on Monday and Wednesday mornings.

This is a workout proven to test all your muscles and give the body a superb all over workout!

Hope to see you there! Jenny Iles, The Pilates Barn Jandjiles@gmail.com
01285 750471 or 07767 640442.

FAIRFORD UNITED CHURCH (CONGREGATIONAL/METHODIST)

Sunday services start at 10.00 a.m. each week. 10th March - All Age Worship for Mothering Sunday 29th March – Good Friday Meditation 7.00 p.m. 31st March – Easter Sunday Service with Communion.

On Sundays when there is no All Age Worship, there is Sunday School provision for children. Fairly traded goods are available for sale after Sunday services.

Our monthly Contact Group will be meeting on Friday 1st March and Friday 5th April – 12.30 p.m. – 2.30 p.m. – meet friends old and new over tea/coffee and light refreshments.

Prayer Group – Monday evenings 7.00 p.m. Lent Study Group – Monday evenings 8.00 p.m. All welcome!

VILLAGE PAVEMENTS

There have been a number of concerns lodged about dog faeces on the pavement of Springfield Road and generally around Quenington. It is very antisocial and unhygienic. It makes it a little hazardous whilst walking with young children and can be a problem on putting the bins out for collection. Villagers appeals for dog owners to be more conscientious and respectful of the other residents.

FAIRFORD LIBRARY

Thursday 7th March 2013 6 – 6.30 p.m. Fairford Library:

Bedtime Stories for World Book Day Come in your pyjamas and help us celebrate World Book Day with some bedtime stories at the Library. Don't forget your teddy! For pre-school and primary school age children. **Free event. Regular events:**

Toddler Time Every Monday 10 – 10.30 a.m. at Fairford Library
Too old for Baby Bounce and Rhyme time? Have fun with songs, rhymes and stories at Fairford Library: For pre-school children aged approximately 2 years – school age and their grown ups. Free event. No need to book.

Baby Bounce and Rhyme Time at Fairford Library: Every Wednesday 10.30 a.m. – 11 a.m. Sing along, wiggle and jiggle. For babies up to 2 years and their grown ups. Free event.

Fairford Library available to hire for £3.50 per hour/£10.50 a 3 hour session for community and voluntary groups. £7 per hour/£21 for 3 hour session for commercial organisations.

Fairford Library: Good for books and

DVD hire – large selection of DVD's to hire until our next opening time from only £1.50 for premier releases and as little as £1 for older titles

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Want to learn how to use a computer? Free computer help to get you started with our "Computer buddy" volunteer

Free family history research help with our "Ancestry buddy" volunteer

Regular events for children: Baby Bounce and Rhymetime, Bedtime Stories. Toddler Time and special craft activities. Homework Zone.

Occasional free talks and activities for both adults and children

01285 712599 www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/libraries

LECHLADE GARDENING CLUB.

Talks are given to the Lechlade Gardening Club on the 2nd Wednesday each month at 7.30pm in the Clarke Pierce Room, Lechlade Memorial Hall, Burford Road, Lechlade. The next talk will be on "The Central Royal Parks", which had to be postponed last year, by Jim Buttress Victoria Medal of Honour (VMH) who has been responsible for the gardens at Buckingham Palace and other Royal venues and is involved in the restoration of the World Garden at Lullingstone Castle in Kent where heritage meets cutting edge horticulture. You can visit us on our own web site <http://www.lechladegardeningclub.org/>. We hope to see you at some of our future talks.

HATHEROP CHURCH OF ENGLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL

'Nurturing Aspirations, Celebrating Individuality, Fulfilling Potential'

All the children have been working really hard since Christmas. We all enjoyed the snow. Pictures of the children making an igloo are on our new website – www.hatherop.gloucs.sch.uk. Years 5 and 6 have been to Cirencester to prepare for the Mock Trial and have undertaken cycle training. You might have seen them learning how to cycle safely on the roads. Class 1 have been to Horseshoe Woods learning about pushes and pulls. They also made playgrounds for small animals. They had a fantastic time. The school is looking forward to next term when there are many events happening. We will celebrate World Book Day, compete in the Mock Trials, raise money for Comic Relief, have many events during FairTrade week and host the first round in the Wildlife Quiz. We will also be having an Easter Fete on Saturday 16th March from 2pm – 4pm. Everyone welcome. Our chickens are very important to us here at Hatherop and one of our Year 5 pupils has written a short piece about what has happened this year!

The Chicken Surprise!!!

Our school, Hatherop Primary, has school chickens, as some of you already know and this is a story about one of those chickens- a brave, strong, courageous chicken called Sylvia. A long time ago, in a galaxy far, far away, Sylvia had three chicks even though she was not expecting to, and nor were we! And today one of the chicks has laid her own egg which now means she is officially a hen. Emilie Welstead, who is very fond of the chicks and looks after them a lot, knows all about this. "We have tried hard to raise these chicks and the day has come that one has laid an egg and it is now a hen," said Emilie proudly. This amazing discovery happened on Tuesday 29th January. We are very happy for the chick, which has reached adulthood, and we know that Mrs Francis, a teacher at our school who has now sadly left, will also be very happy as she was the one who bought the chickens. We wish her all the best in her new role as the egg factory (and we wish we could remember her name.) I hope this story has brought you tears, joy and inspiration...(and something to read about). By Ben.C, Yr 5 Hatherop Primary School.

DOG MESS

There are 39 piles of dog poo on the verge between no 39 and no 35 Eastleach, all ringed in yellow spray in the hope that those responsible will take note and pick up their dog's mess. It is not only highly unpleasant but dangerous to children's health. Responsible dog owners carry bags and pick up after their dogs. Those who do not please start and make Eastleach a safer and more pleasant place to walk around. Thankyou



Southrop Church of England Primary School

Southrop GL7 3NU www.southrop.gloucs.sch.uk 01367 850246

We have had a short but busy term since returning from the Christmas holiday, starting with our annual trip to the Theatre to see Dick Whittington at the Everyman in Cheltenham. The Year 5& 6's have been preparing to take part in a Mock Trial by meeting 2 Magistrates and visiting a Mock Trial room in Cirencester.

The Life Education bus, which provides health education, visited Southrop. The children always enjoy the day, especially meeting Harold the giraffe.

We have continued with After School Clubs for Infants and Juniors providing, Computer, Craft and Sports for the Juniors with Recorder and Sports for the Infants. Clubs4Kids provide French Lessons after school for the Juniors. During the school day many of the children take part in brass and guitar lessons.

Steve Hutchinson from Scripture Union has taken an assembly this term and spent some time with the Juniors talking about John's Gospel. The School Council have raised money for UNICEF's Day for Change, holding a cake sale and asking the whole school to dress as their favourite fruit or vegetable. The School Council held an assembly for parents that morning. Lastly, this term we celebrate the success of our Year 5&6 football team in winning the recent football tournament at Fairford Youth Football Club. The Year 3&4's also took part in a tournament at Farmor's School. Well done to everyone who took part. Next term is another short term but we are looking forward to our swimming lessons and a whole school trip to the Wildlife Park.

MIDLAND TRAILQUESTS

Midland Trailquests will be returning to this area on Sunday April 21st for a mountain bike orienteering event. The HQ will be at Aldsworth, but the checkpoints will cover an area from Ablington in the west, Broughton Poggs in the east, and almost to Fairford in the south. Riders will again be competing solo or in pairs and will be setting off between 9 and 10.30a.m. so there is no mass start. All checkpoints are placed on Bridleways and Byways and will be collected in on the afternoon of the event.

www.midlandtrailquests.co.uk has full details of our organisation and how to enter the event if you are a local rider, or you can ring the event organiser Mike Manning on 01531 821291. It is our hope that apart from seeing a few more bikes on the trails than normal, the event will pass unnoticed.

FITNESS CLASSES STARTING IN QUENINGTON VILLAGE HALL

Pilates/Yoga Fusion is a traditional style, mat based Pilates class combined with yoga postures focusing on movement quality & precision to develop a strong core and improve posture. Sometimes using equipment such as the small ball and Dynaband to give variety to the workout.

The class will also be adapted to the group each week to ensure everyone feels the benefits. Suitable for all abilities and ages, whether you are new or a regular exerciser. The class starts in Quenington Village Hall on Wednesday 3rd April at 12.30 - 1.30pm at a cost of £5 per class...FREE to Members of Your Community Fitness. For more details contact ollie@yourcommunity.co.uk.

QUENINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

The next Quenington Parish Council Meeting will be held in Quenington Village Hall on Thursday 14th March 2013 at 8pm. As usual, parishioners are welcome to attend the meeting, and are able to raise issues of concern with the council through the two open discussion sessions at the beginning and end of the meeting. The minutes of previous meetings in January are being made available on the Quenington Society website, where details of the present councillors may also be found. There remain two vacancies on the council and we would very much like to fill these as soon as possible, so if you would be interested, please contact Derek Fielder on 01285-750509. We also seeking to fill the position of parish clerk – this is a paid position and a job description can be obtained from Derek on the above number. A reshuffle of responsibilities is taking place on the council – Michael Scott (jnr) will be Chairman and Don Downes is to become Deputy Chairman with effect from May 2013.

SOUTHROP VILLAGE HALL

Southrop Village Hall is looking for members to join the Committee to fill the vacancies that exist. There are usually three meetings a year, but help is needed with the responsibility for the general running and maintenance. According to the Constitution there should be a representative or nomination from each society in Southrop. The Playground also needs a small committee to oversee the safety, upkeep and inspection. So long as a Playground Report is available there is no need to attend the Village Hall Committee Meetings. Looking forward to hearing from those that wish to keep Southrop's Hall and Playground open for all to use, and in sound order. Please contact: Beth Verrechia 850575, Margaret Barge 850271, Rhona Reid 850295, James Simmons 850171 or Iain Mills 850184.

COLN COMMUNITY STORES

Well here we are again. Time certainly flies by when you're having fun.

The Portakabin has proved to be a success. It is still very warm, compact and bijoux but we have all your day to day items and have added a few more brands. Border biscuits seem very popular, our latest editions to the range are Lemon Soufflé and Mango & Papaya. Customers also like the John Lusty soups, we now have Venison with Cranberries & Port, Lobster Bisque, Smoked Haddock & Potato, Real Game and Chicken Consommé. Try them with our fresh crusty bread. The building work is now well under way and going to plan. Everything has been ripped out and the process of rebuilding is well underway. There are some photos in the shop if you would like to follow progress. The go-ahead has been given for all the new display units and counter area most of which will be made of oak. The final details of the flooring and lighting will have been agreed by the time you read this. Provisionally it looks like the new store will be open by mid-April; more on that as time passes. Having had requests from customers for Gluten Free products we now have a few items in stock, which we will expand once we are in the new shop. At the moment there are GF rice crackers, cheese bites and crackers, Pumpernickel, an organic Swiss vegetable bouillon powder and Tahani, more will follow. The Swyre Farm Lamb was received well and went out the door within two days so we will be getting that on a regular basis. We will also be trying Swyre Farm Pork Sausages and they will be in by the middle of February. Once the new shop is open, we will be baking off bread, pies pasties and cakes using our own bread oven, so you will be able to pick up warm delicious bread whilst collecting your papers. At weekends we will have our own croissants, pain au chocolat and pain au raisons to have with your in-store morning coffee. We are looking to have the 'best coffee around these parts', becoming a destination point for residents and visitors alike. By the time you read this Patti Price will have had her volunteer recruitment Saturday. If you missed it and you want to be part of our army of volunteers, don't worry call Patti or myself and we will set up a briefing session for you. If there is anything you would like me to stock within the shop, please don't hesitate to let me know, I will endeavour to assist. JAN 01285 750294

BURFORD SINGERS CONCERT – MARCH 24TH

The next Burford Singers concert consists of Mozart's Coronation Mass, and works by Purcell, Parry and Dyson. Conducted by Brian Kay, and accompanied by the Cotswold Chamber Orchestra. Full details of this and future concerts can be found on their website: <http://www.burford-singers.org.uk>. Tickets available from The Mad Hatter Bookshop, Burford – tel: 01993 822539.

THE NEW INN, COLN ST ALDWYN

We are really pleased to be hosting Vale of White Horse Hunt who will be meeting and staying at The New Inn on Saturday 30th March 2013.

You're invited! Local bed & breakfasts to join us for the evening on Thursday 21st March from 4 - 6pm. The aim to work with like-minded local businesses on a reciprocal level promoting each other's businesses. Local villagers are more than welcome to join us too.

Don't forget Mother's Day, our dedicated menu is now live on line and available from The New Inn upon request. Pre booking essential. We look forward to hosting local mothers and families.

QUENINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

The parish council are seeking the services of a Clerk to the Council. The hours are 4 hours per week at a time suitable to the applicant either at home or in the Village Hall. The rate of pay will be in accordance with the national pay scales. A full job description can be obtained from Michael Scott on 01285 750356 or by e-mail on mandpscott@btinternet.com

Mike Scott, Clerk to the Council

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HATHEROP C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL - EASTER FETE

Friends of Hatherop Primary School invite you and your family to their, first ever, Easter Fete. Please join us for a cracking afternoon with an abundance of fun activities, an excellent selection of refreshments and 3 eggciting competitions! Competition details:

Categories - Best Easter Bonnet, Best Decorated Egg & Longest Paper Plane Flight. Age groups - Under 6 years, 6 - 11 years and 12 years and over (adults can join in too!) Please bring your entries with you on the afternoon of the fete. The Decorated Eggs should be delivered to the competition table before 2.30pm, the Paper Planes must be flown on the airfield before 3.15pm and the Easter Bonnets will be judged at the Parade at 3.45pm. Winners will then be announced and prizes given. If you are interested in selling your products or promoting your business at the Fete, then please contact Alice Arkell - 07970 689041 or Fiona Clark - 01285 750336. Sorry - NO DOGS ALLOWED. **We look forward to welcoming you at the School gates on Saturday 16th March at 2pm.**

Hatherop C of E Primary School

Easter Fête



Saturday 16th March

2 - 4pm



Entrance Fee: Adults - £2.50 Children - £1

EASTER EGG HUNT * BOUNCY CASTLE * RACES
* GO-KARTING * PONY & TRAP * FIRE ENGINE *
EASTER BONNET PARADE * SCHOOL CHOIR * STALLS
* FUN COMPETITIONS & PRIZES * FACE PAINTING *
BAR * TEAS * SCRUMMY CAKES (SOME FAIRTRADE)

FOR COMPETITION DETAILS (DECORATED EGG & EASTER BONNET), STALL ENQUIRIES OR EVENT INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT: FIONA 01285 750336 / ALICE 07970 689041. SORRY NO DOGS

Proceeds to Friends of Hatherop Primary School - Reg. charity number: 1045773

March 2013**Midweek Services****Thursday March 7th** 9.30 am Holy Communion CW Coln**Thursday March 14th** 9.30 am Holy Communion BCP Coln**Thursday March 21st** 9.30 am Holy Communion CW Coln**Sunday March 3rd**

9.30 am Holy Communion CW Southrop CB

11.00 am Holy Communion CW Coln CB

11.00 am Morning Prayer BCP Eastleach HWP

6.00 pm Evening Prayer BCP Quenington HWP

Sunday March 10th (Mothering Sunday)

8.30 am Holy Communion BCP Hatherop CB

9.30 am Family HC CW Quenington CB

11.00 am Mothering Sunday Service Eastleach CB

6.00 pm Evening Prayer BCP Coln HP-W

6.00 pm Evening Prayer BCP Southrop PP

Sunday March 17th

9.30 am Family Service CW Hatherop CB

9.30 am Holy Communion BCP Southrop RL

11.00 am Holy Communion BCP Coln RL

11.00 am Morning Prayer BCP Eastleach HWP

6.00 pm Evening Prayer BCP Quenington PP

Sunday March 24th (Palm Sunday)

8.30 am Holy Communion BCP Hatherop CB

9.30 am Holy Communion BCP Quenington CB

11.00 am Holy Communion BCP Eastleach CB/JE

6.00 pm Evening Prayer BCP Coln JE

6.00 pm Evening Prayer BCP Southrop RL

Holy Week**Monday 25th March 10 am Holy Communion BCP Southrop****Tuesday 26th March 6 pm Holy Communion BCP Quenington****Wednesday 27th March 6.30 pm Evening Prayer BCP Eastleach (PP)****Maundy Thursday 28th March 7 pm Holy Communion CW Coln****Friday March 29th (Good Friday)**

9 am-12 noon 3 hour watch Coln Revd Canon A Braddock

Saturday March 30th (Easter Eve)

6.00 pm Holy Communion Hatherop CB

Sunday March 31st (Easter Sunday)

9.30 am Holy Communion CW Quenington CB

9.30 am Holy Communion CW Southrop RL

11.00am Holy Communion BCP Eastleach RL

11.00am Holy Communion CW Coln CB

BCP – traditional language**CW – contemporary language****HYMNS AND READINGS****3rd March Lent 3**

HC/FC 1 Corinthians 10: 1 – 13 Luke 13; 1 – 9

MP/EP Psalm 63: 1-9 Isaiah 55: 1 – 9 Luke 13; 1 – 9

Hymns 135 (omit v 3) 212 170 (omit v 3)

10th March Mothering Sunday, Lent 4

HC/FC 2 Corinthians 1: 3 – 7 Luke 2: 33 – 35

MP/EP Psalm 34: 11 – 20 Exodus 2: 1 – 10 Luke 2: 33 – 35

Hymns 391 422 394

17th March Lent 5

HC/FC Philippians 3: 4b – 14 John 12: 1 – 8

MP/EP Psalm 126 Isaiah 43: 16 – 21 John 12: 1 – 8

Hymns 120 (Part 1) 220 67

24th March Palm Sunday

HC/FC Philippians 2: 5 – 11 Luke 19: 28 – 40

MP/EP Psalm 118: 19 – 24 Isaiah 50: 4-9a Luke 19: 28 – 40

Hymns 60 (omit v 3) 61 63 (omit vv 4 & 6)

28th March Maundy Thursday

HC 1 Corinthians 11; 23 – 26 John 13: 1 – 17, 31b – 35

Hymns 261 391 260 (omit v 3)

29th March Good Friday**3 Hour Service****30th March Easter Eve**

HC 1 Peter 4:1-8 Matthew 27:57-end

31st March Easter Day White

HC/FC Acts 10: 34-43 Luke 20: 1 – 18

Hymns 77 75 428

7th April 2nd Sunday of Easter

HC/FC Acts 5; 27 – 32 John 20: 19 – 31

MP/EP Psalm 118: 14 – 29 Exodus 14: 10 – 31 Acts 5; 27 – 32

Hymns 83 431 80