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Formed by likeminded residents who love Dunchurch and its heritage and wish to protect and enhance its environment in order to make the village a better place to live in, work in and visit.

Happy New Year

appy New Year and welcome to our first magazine of 2022 in which we look back on a Christmas just past and forward with renewed optimism to a new year just beginning.

Throughout the festivities, Dunchurch sparkled like never before as more and



Evelyn was one of the many who really enjoyed the Christmas tractor trail

more houses displayed Christmas lights. Wherever you turned, there was something else to see and so much colour to enjoy. On 20th December. the village tractor trail organised by Ross Carlton was a fantastic spectacle. All proved a welcome distraction from the crossroads

alterations which are thankfully now completed and fully up and running.

As for the New Year? We live in a wonderful, community spirited village and



many of the groups and organisations are once again beginning to emerge from the restraints of the pandemic and offering a variety of events and activities for all to enjoy. As they do so, many will be looking for volunteers to help. This offers a great way to meet up with new people as well as benefiting your community, so why not reach out and try something new? Your offer of help will be warmly received. You will find a full list of contact details in our Community Directory at the end of this issue.

Speaking of new beginnings, how wonderful to see another business

opening in our village. Birth Boutique is run by qualified midwife Hannah and will offer a range of midwifery care including complementary therapy treatments.

Contact Hannah



Hannah qualified as a midwife in 2010 with a first class honours degree

for more details on 07842 643409 or email hannah@birthboutique.co.uk. Hannah's new venture adds to the diversity of businesses in Dunchurch and

we wish her every success.

With business in mind, look out for our new advertising features on page 38 which is being funded for four issues by David Wilson Homes. Negotiated by Barbara Harris, our advertising 'maestro', we hope this will provide support to our village businesses, many of which suffered financially during the pandemic and the recent roadworks. Please remember to shop local and help preserve our trading community.

FODS Christmas

Winter Wonderland Windows Thank you to everyone who took part and to



Just two
of the
wonderland
windows on
display



One of Elf Blizzard Buttons clues led to the 'golden bird,' Our thanks to Andrew Rix for the photo.



all those who downloaded the map and followed the trail. As the tradition of decorating houses continues to grow, it may no longer be necessary to produce a map to seek out displays. We will take a view on this again towards the end of the year.

Elf Blizzard Buttons Over 60

children signed up to this interactive challenge and followed clues to seek out this magical elf at a variety of venues throughout the village. When found and scanned with a smartphone(there was a backup for those without one) a message from Blizzard Buttons played. All very hi tech and great fun. (Our

was a backup for those without one) a message from Blizzard Buttons played. All very hi tech and great fun. (Our thanks to Elf Mark the Marvel for setting this up.) All those who participated also received a letter from Santa and a small gift. It was a great way to start off the Christmas festivities.

Santa's Storytime Thank you Santa for 'zooming' all the way from Lapland to deliver four nightly bedtime stories which concluded on Christmas Eve with an all-time family favourite, The Night Before Christmas. Goodness knows how you found the time but we are very glad you did!

The Tree of Light It was hard not to feel a tinge of sadness during the festivities as we remember those now passed. This was reflected in some very mov-



A positive message from the Tree of Light

ing messages left to loved ones on The Tree of Light. However, there were also some very uplifting quotes and we hope people took comfort from these and the act of remembrance that the Tree of Light provided.

FODS New Year

Queen's 70th Jubilee We couldn't let this momentous occasion pass without organising something very special. As well as decorative tributes in the village, we are looking at the possibility of installing a 'jubilee beacon' on The Heath and are currently in discussions with the Parish Council and other interested parties to try and find a way forward. If this comes to fruition, we will join the rest of the country on Thursday 2nd June for the lighting of the Jubilee Beacons.

On the afternoon of Friday 3rd June, St

Peter's Church plans to hold a service of thanksgiving combined with a churchyard event.

On Sunday 5th June, The Big Jubilee Picnic Lunch will be taking part on the village hall sports field. More details may be found on page 11.



Southam Road flying the flag for the Queens Golden Jubilee in 2002

Jubilee Windows

The above events are in the early stages of planning and more information will be included in our June magazine issue and on our media pages so look out for more details. In the meantime, start planning your own decorative ideas. This is a once-in-a-lifetime celebration of Her Majesty's 70 years on the throne so let's make it a memorable occasion.

Wouldn't it be great to turn Dunchurch red, white and blue for the jubilee celebrations by decorating road facing windows and/or front gardens with bunting etc? Perhaps even the Queen herself might make an appearance! Display a suitably attired scarecrow with a Royal theme and upload your photos onto the FODS Facebook page for others to admire and enjoy.

Dunchurch in Bloom We can't say too often what an honour it is for our village to have been chosen as a finalist in this year's Britain in Bloom awards. Dunchurch is 'carrying the flag' for the Heart of England seven counties of West Midlands. Worcestershire. Staffordshire. Shropshire, Gloucestershire, Hereford and Warwickshire in the large village category. We are up against very tough and competent competition but with the help of our community, we are confident we will be able to put together an excellent entry. If you would like to help (this would be greatly appreciated), please email us on friendsofdunchurch@ gmail.com.

Blooming Barrows Last year, we had 21 Blooming Barrows on display at a variety of sites and we are grateful

that all village groups who participated have agreed to plant up and display them again this year. Would you and your neighbours like to join in by 'adopting' a wheelbarrow for planting and display in your street? If so, we will arrange delivery of a wheelbarrow to your door. These may be planted with anything of your choice – flowers, herbs, food to share, it's up to you – email us to register your interest

and we will be in touch.

Tantalising Troughs These works of art created a wonderful display last year and we are grateful to all who have signed up to help again this year. Phill Freeman is in the process of making more from pallets donated by the community. These will be painted, lined with recycled underlay and filled with compost generated by the good folk from the Allotment Association. Thank you everyone. We can all look forward to seeing even more village flora this summer.

The Orchard We are currently investigating funding for various items such as tables, chairs, installation of a pond, a shelter for a teaching area and creating better pathways.

Queens Green Canopy The saplings

will be arriving early March and are destined for St Peter's Churchyard and the orchard. However, FODS is delighted to accept an invitation from village hall Trustee Mike Judge, to help with a wonderful new initiative. The Dunchurch Oak Line will involve the planting of ten new oak trees at the bottom of the sports field. Another exciting venture in its infancy and full details will





2021 displays: Julia's Tantalising Trough and 'In the pink' Blooming Barrow



Great oaks from little acorns grow

be in our next magazine issue.

Just for the Buzz!
We have hidden 14
bees throughout this
issue. See if you can
find them. You can
help promote a better

environment for pollinators and will find some useful tips in Our Pollinators Need You on page 16.

Community Connections We are delighted to announce that this year we will be adding HM Prison Onley to our community connections as we strive for success in Britain in Bloom. We will be working with the prison's horticultural and woodworking departments in what we feel sure will be a mutually beneficial arrangement. We look forward to bringing you more comprehensive details in our next issue.

And finally

Make a note in your diary to go along to the village hall on Saturday 2nd April and pick up a bargain at the FODS Table Top Sale. We have a wonderful mix of trade, other community groups and individual stalls to choose from – more details on page 41. We hope to see you there. In the meantime, sit back and enjoy reading this 'bumper' copy of the Dunchurch Village Magazine.

Dunchurch Magic

By Amber Cummins

hildren of all ages had worried that the roadworks in the centre of the village would hamper Santa getting presents to them on Christmas day. However, Rudolf the red nosed reindeer arrived early to reassure people.

The tradition of dressing the statue of Lord Scott, a prominent 19th century landowner and MP, has gone on for many years bringing joy to people, not only in Dunchurch but via the internet, all over the world. Many have taken pictures and selfies to help raise the profile of this tradition and this year, there was even a sleigh for children to sit in to take a photo.

In the past, the BBC has presented an item on this magical event, interviewing many people in our picturesque village. Each year, people wait excitedly to see who it will be, some even placing bets on it! In the past, the statue has been

dressed up as Pingu, Paddington and even the Grinch, who that year didn't manage to steal Christmas. No one has any 'l-deer' who dresses the statue but it is believed to be the Dunchurch Pixies – and long may they continue.







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HEALTH BENEFITS

Community gardens have been making headway in many parts of the UK and longterm studies now show the health benefits to those taking part:

- Gardeners report a reduction in stress through their regular community garden participation as well as a general feeling of wellbeing. Exposure to green space reduces stress and increases a sense of wellness and belonging (Bremer et al, 2003)
- Food costs have risen significantly in recent years. Organic food is often beyond the

- reach of many, especially those in receipt of pensions, disability allowances or benefits. Being able to grow and cook fresh organic produce makes a real difference to diet and health
- Community gardens offer unique opportunities to establish relationships within and across physical and social barriers
- Being involved in a community garden enables people to connect with their community in a meaningful way – one that respects difference and promotes diversity.





Dunchurch Festival Group

By Rob Collings

that the DFG gave away over £8,000 before Christmas to many local groups to help fund their various projects. These included the Scouts, Guides, Dunchurch Allotments, the churches, schools, Dunchurch Band, FODS, Dunchurch Cricket Club and many more. These groups do wonderful work in the community helping others, especially in recent times, so we are glad to help them.

Our members put up the village Christmas trees bringing festive cheer to the centre of the village. We were also there

helping with the nativity play organised by the churches and schools marking the start of Christmas in the village. Our group's Youth Ambassador had the honour of switching on the Christmas tree lights following the traditional countdown

This year we are looking forward to getting back to normal and putting on many events in the village. The next



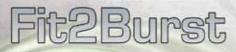
Santa spreading some pre-Christmas joy

event is the very popular Quiz Night on Saturday 26th March. On 20th May we have a gin tasting evening run by the Rugby Distillery Company – see page 41 for more.

The summer fete is back to its usual month of June after last year's delayed start due to the covid virus. We have decided to have it on a Sunday following last year's success and decided it will again be free entry. We will be having

the ever-popular dog show along with so many other attractions and stalls. The procession will be back on this year with all its colourful groups and floats but rather than close the road we will be going along the pathway from the centre of the village to the sports field. Come along and join in all the fun on Sunday 26th June.





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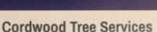
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Sunday 5th June

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Bring a picnic, table and chairs and maybe a gazebo
1950s Fancy dress optional

Dunchurch Brass Band Birds of Prey Display

Come along and make new friends from your community

The Big Lunch is a national event to celebrate Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee and to encourage communities to join together in a spirit of fun and friendship

Some car parking available

Dunchurch Parish Council

by Gill Peacock, Clerk

e now seem to be working to a 'new normal', although the sub-variants of COVID-19 are still a cause for concern! I have been working from home for much of the time but hopefully, I will be able to resume working at the library a couple of times a week. Please do get in touch if you need any extra help or support and I will try my best to help - contact details below. If you would like to contact a councillor direct, all of their email addresses are available on the DPC website by following the link https:// www.dunchurchpc.org/downloadcategory/declarations-of-interest.

One of the most important tasks that the DPC looks at each week is a variety of planning applications and the Dunchurch PC responses can be seen via the minutes on the DPC website and the Rugby Borough Council Planning Portal https://planning.agileapplications.co.uk/rugby/search-applications.

Planning is always a priority in Dunchurch, together with the Neighbour-

Please consider getting in touch with us if you would like to join our friendly Dunchurch Neighbourhood Development Plan steering group.

hood Development Plan. The DPC has held various Dunchurch Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group meetings in the last few months and as I mentioned above, it is really, really important to gain the views of the community on development in and around Dunchurch. Planning rules are changing, and communities can set out what they want to see for the future of their community on planning matters. When the Neighbourhood Development Plan is adopted by Rugby Borough Council, it will be classed as a material consideration, which means that when planners consider all planning applications, they must take more notice of what we say on your behalf.

The DPC unfortunately received the resignation of Gillian O'Connell late last year and she will be sadly missed. Dunchurch PC is short of councillors, so if anyone is interested in working to enhance the community in Dunchurch, please give me a call and we can have a chat.

The PC set its Budget at the January meeting. Full details of income and expenditure can be found on the council website https://dunchurchpc.org/agendas-and-minutes.php, together with the latest bank reconciliation reports, which are completed monthly. A

summary of the budget for 2022/2023, with notable variances to the 2021/2022 budget, includes:

- An increase in the budget for planting and trees in the village from £1,750 to £5,000. This is to accommodate summer and winter planting, trees for the Queens Platinum Jubilee, and the Christmas trees in the village
- A cost of £3,000 for a new notice board to be placed within the newer development within the Parish towards the end of Cawston Lane
- An increase in the costs for the 'handyman' from £7,000 to £10,000 to reflect the actual costs we are incurring in the current year.
- Reduction in office expenditure from £3,500 to £2,000 reflecting the early termination of the Croner HR Support contract.
- An increase from £18,000 to £20,000 for street lighting power costs, reflecting the increase energy costs prices
- A budget of £30,000 to replace lighting columns, including the five that have already been removed and a further fourteen that were approved for replacement at the November meeting.

This means the total budget for ordinary expenditure would be £146,720 compared to £110,420 in 2021/2022.

Within projects we have set aside £138,300 to cover a number of non-recurring projects, including:

- £10,000 for spend on the Neighbourhood plan
- £20,000 for protection of the statue
 at this stage this is a placeholder as the options are still being assessed
- £36,000 to refurbish the play area

 although we budgeted £20,000 in

 2021/22 nothing has been spent in the current year.
- £28,800 to refurbish the bus shelter

 the work on this was approved in
 July 2021 but the work has been delayed into 2022/23 to avoid clashing
 the work at the crossroads
- £35,000 for community grants this
 is the same amount as 2021/2022, of
 which we have paid out £15,520.

It is important note that a number of these projects will be funded from Section 106 Monies already received totalling £148,565.

Blocked drains, damaged footways, flooding and potholes: you can report all of these issues and lots more besides using a simple online system run by Warwickshire County Council. www.fixmystreet. com allows you to pin-point the exact location and nature of the problem and forward the problem on to the relevant organisation to sort out.

The schedule of works on re-modelling Dunchurch Crossroads has been completed now and you may be aware that there have been a few teething problems, so we would ask you to be patient with us. However, we are in constant touch with the Contractors and Warwickshire County Council, so if you are experiencing any issues, please don't hesitate to get in touch with us.

Dunchurch PC meetings are usually on

the second Monday of the month and the next meeting will be on 7th February 2022 (although I will be absent as I will be on annual leave). The meetings following will be on 14th March, I Ith April, which are Ordinary PC meetings, and the Annual Parish Assembly will be on 25th April.

All the councillors, the Clerk and Darren, our lovely handyman, wish everyone a very happy, healthy, and joyful 2022.

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Chair: Tracey Price, tracey.price@dunchurchpc.org

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Help your Community Library

t was in September of 1968 that our village library moved from its 'damp and dismal single room building' on Southam Road to its present light and airy location in School Street. In 2011, our library was under threat of closure and since April of 2012, has been run entirely by volunteers under the control and support of the Parish Council and County Councils Library and Information Service.

Would you like to volunteer for just a few hours a week?

Recent studies have shown that not only is volunteering helpful to the community but it is also good for your mental and physical wellbeing.

Sally Stephens who has volunteered since 2019 says, 'I started volunteering at the library to help



secure its future. It is such a wonderful facility, right in the centre of the village. Volunteering there provides a great opportunity to be part of a very friendly team. I usually work either one morning or afternoon each week and over the past couple of years, I have met so many friendly and interesting people.'

If you would like to find out more about being a library volunteer, please contact Gill Peacock, Clerk to the Parish Council on 01788 817550 or email clerk@dunchurchpc.org

Dunchurch Festival Group Youth Ambassador

By Adrija Ganguly

have had an eventful and wonderful year in this position, and it was an amazing learning experience. This is the first time that there has been a Youth Ambassador instead of Miss Dunchurch.

First of all, I would like to thank the festival group for appointing me the youth ambassador. They helped small groups to survive during the pandemic and they are what truly holds the community together. Without them, our wonderful fete wouldn't exist. I'd also like to thank Eleanor, the editor of South Rugby News, who gave me the opportunity to write for a newspaper and I am really grateful for that experience.

In July when I first performed a duty as the Dunchurch Youth Ambassador, and received my certificate and sash, Fiona and Mike were so kind and welcoming and they helped me ease into the role.

Another fond memory I have is at the Dunchurch Family Fun Day when I organised a stall to raise awareness about climate change. Everyone was so helpful to me and I really enjoyed seeing our team effort to put it all together. My mum helped with decoration and presentation, my dad helped with the technical problems and my classmates

from Dunchurch Junior's contributed as well. The fun day was a tremendous suc-



cess thanks to the Festival Group, and it was wonderful to see that we had finally begun to recover from the pandemic.

At the cheque presentation, in December I had the opportunity to watch the Festival Group in action, helping schools, groups and charities. Santa came to give cheques to all the organisations attending the event. He asked me to present the cheques and it was wonderful to be a small part of such a noble cause.

Finally, when I had the opportunity to turn on the Christmas lights, it was an honour to be the one to press the button and a fantastic event to attend as my last public occasion as Dunchurch Youth Ambassador.

I hope that every village has a festival group like ours. I am really grateful to them for everything they have done.

The Dunchurch Festival Group will shortly be looking for a new Youth Ambassador once Adrija's term is completed. Watch out for more information on their website and Facebook page.

Our Pollinators Need You!

By Sue Turner

ollinators are vital for food production and biodiversity but they face a range of pressures to survive. This includes fighting pests, diseases, loss of habitat for nesting and foraging, climate change and the decline in the amount and quality of flowering resources.

Almost any insect that visits flowers including bumblebees, solitary bees, wasps, hoverflies and other flies, moths, butterflies and some beetles are classed as pollinators, and whilst gardens are known to support a wide range, worryingly, bees and some other pollinators are in decline. However, gardeners can make a difference to help reverse this trend and even in urban areas, bumblebees, solitary bees and other pollinators that feed on a wide range of plants can do well.

Bumblebees and solitary bees have specific requirements for nest sites. Many other pollinators such as hoverflies, butterflies and moth have specific habitat requirements for their larvae. The loss and fragmentation of suitable habitats reduces nesting and breeding opportunities but our gardens can provide suitable breeding places for many.

To help Dunchurch become more pollinator friendly, the Friends of Dunchurch,



Carder bee feeding on an aster

with the help of Anne-Marie's Florist, is giving away ten seed packets of 'RHS Plants for Pollinators' on a first comefirst served basis. Please pop into Anne-Marie's for your free packet. We ask that you please share your 'seed journey' on our Facebook page with updates and pictures and with details of when and where you will be sowing the seeds and how they progress and eventually flower.

In the meantime, the Royal Horticultural Society (RHS) suggest a few helpful tips on how to help our pollinators:

- Plant nectar and pollen rich plants which are crucial to support our pollinators. (See RHS Plants for Pollinators at www.rhs.org.uk/ plantsforpollinators
- Allow lawn 'weeds' to flower by cutting less often. This provides valuable extra resources from areas that are often free of flowering plants.

- Provide water for pollinators. Bees and other pollinators sometimes need to drink. Having a shallow pond or even a shallow dish filled with water and stones will provide a safe source of water.
- Provide nest sites for wild bees.
 Bumblebees often prefer to nest in holes in the ground or in bird nest boxes. Some solitary bees nest in the ground either in bare soil or short turf, so we need to tolerate the small mounds of soil deposited by the female bees when they excavate their next tunnels.
- Avoid using pesticides wherever possible. Never spray open flowers and always read and follow the instructions on the container. Accepting the presence of some 'pests' can help a natural balance in the garden and can provide food for pollinators for example aphids are food for many species of hoverfly larvae. If pesticides are used, consider using short-persistent organic products which can give effective results.

Working together, we can create a more environmentally friendly habitat for pollinators in Dunchurch.

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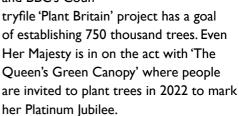
Dunchurch Allotment Association

By Paul Sanders

hat's the last blackthorn in!" shouts Lisa, as the work party concludes the planting of two hundred saplings along the allotment roadside. The task is to continue the project of creating a southern boundary hedge around the allotment site. It was in 2012 when the first of many tree planting events took place. The saplings have been donated by the Woodland Trust who run a scheme to give free trees to schools and community groups. The saplings will eventually form a mixed hedge consisting of hawthorn, blackthorn, rowan, birch, hazel, oak, crab apple, elder and dog rose. Apart from creating a designated boundary the hedge will enhance the biodiversity of the allotment site.

Tree planting schemes are being promoted more than ever in recent years to ameliorate the effects of climate change by removing carbon dioxide from the air. The 'Big Climate Fightback' project run by the Woodland Trust aims to get

more than 50 million trees in the ground in the UK and BBC's Coun-



While the typical mature tree will absorb around twenty kilos of carbon dioxide per year the developing hedges at Dunchurch allotments are unlikely to match this number. What they will do however is provide a habitat for a wealth of wildlife from shade-loving plants and delicate fungi, to nesting birds, elusive mammals and numerous invertebrates. In future years the work party will be back to lay the hedge and Lisa this time will be shouting "That the last pleacher down; time for a cup of tea!"

www.dunchurchallotments.org.uk





Planting the first saplings for the southern boundary hedge in April last year (far left), and adding more in January 2022 (left)

Dunchurch yesteryear

Courtesy of Freda Bennett



Rugby Advertiser Friday 18th May, 1945

unchurch residents spent Monday evening last week in a variety of ways, while awaiting news of victory in Europe. Householders were busy arranging displays of flags, and in the band room the silver band was earnestly rehearsing, for forthcoming programmes.

In the early hours of VE-Day the Lord John monument in the village square was clad with a tin helmet, respirator, khaki great coat, with other accessories and L.D.V. weapon. The day passed very quietly. Community singing was to have taken place in the village square but owing to rain this was transferred to the Methodist Chapel. Later, in the chapel a service of thanksgiving was held. The organist was Mr. Frank Webb, and the lesson was read by Miss I. Guinness. Mr.A. L. Adkinson presided and the speakers were Messrs. W.W.



Baker, A. A. Skinfield and Pte. Goichard. At the parish church there was a packed congregation. The Vicar (Rev. F. H. Roberts) conducted the service, with Mr. D. Malpass on the organ. At dusk, as the lights went up, the west end of the church and tower, with its newly painted clock face, was floodlit. The church bells were rung in the early evening end again at dusk. The celebrations reached a climax when, on the bombed site of the Working Men's Club, a bonfire was lit and a display of fireworks was given. Major C. H. Cooke called for cheers for Mr. O. H. Nutt, who provided the fireworks. By midnight there was a large gathering at the village hall, where a dance was in progress, following a whist drive, which was won by Miss Manning, Mrs. Hirons, Mr. E. Comer, Mrs White, Mr. J. Fell, Mrs. Williams, Mrs. Newbery, and Mrs. F. Williamson. Miss E. Pearce was MC. Dancing music from Mr. J. Hairs' radiogram continued until midnight. £30 was raised.

Dunchurch Pantry

Don't forget. The Dunchurch Pantry is in the foyer of the library. Please keep adding non-perishable food items for those that need them. 'Give what you can, take what you need.' No questions asked. Thank you.







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Chicken or Lamb Tikka		Handi £8.50 Tenderised meat or chicken dish cooked to perfection with
Garlic Chicken Tikka		chefs own extensive aromatic blended spices and herbs
Tandoori Chicken (half on the bone)	£7.50	Tawa
Tandoori King Prawn	£11.95	and herbs, served on a sizzling pan.
Chicken or Lamb Shashlick		Lamb Chops Akbor-E£10.95 A medium spiced bhuna dish served piping hot in a traditional
Tandoori Combination		Khorai dish, garnished with coriander & tomatoes.
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TRADITIONAL MAIN COURSE

Prawn	£7.95
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Lamb	£7.95
Chicken or Lamb Tikka	£8.50
Tandoori Chicken (Off the bone)	£8.50
King Prawn	£10.95
Keema (minced lamb)	£7.50
Paneer ①	£8.50
Mixed Vegetable V or Mushroom V.	£7.50
Fish Tikka	£9.95
All of the above items can be cooked using a sau- choice from the following selection:	ce of your
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CURRY

Basic medium spiced sauce.

KORMA OO

Very mild sauce cooked with coconut & almond.

MALAYAN 0

Cooked with pineapple, in a mild smooth sauce.

BHOONA

Cooked with onions, green peppers, tomato & fresh herbs

DOPFAZA

Medium dish cooked with onions.

ROGAN JOSH

Cooked with green herbs & spices, garlic, onions & tomatoes.

DANSAK

Cooked with lentils in a thick, hot, sweet & sour sauce.

Cooked with tomatoes, onion, fresh herbs & spices in a hot & sour sauce.

MADRAS

Cooked in a fairly hot spiced sauce.

SAAG WALLA

Cooked in garlic and spinach sauce.

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A very hot dish made from red chilli,

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Any vegetable can be added to your dish, such as mushroom, potato, spinach, cauliflower, chick peas, bhindi, lentils, mixed vegetables and peas for an extra 65p.

POPULAR BALTI DISHES

The strength of these dishes can be prepared to taste. You can ask for mild, medium, slightly hot, madras or vindaloo hot.

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Keema Balti	£7.50
Chicken Balti	£7.50
Lamb Balti	£7.95
Chicken or Lamb Tikka Balti	£8.50
Tandoori Chicken Balti (Off the bone)	£8.50
Paneer Balti 9	£8.50
Prawn Balti	£7.95
King Prawn Balti	£11.95
Fish Tikka Balti (Cod)	

PI PROBATIONI CRECIALITIES

Some fish dishes may contain bones	ES
Sunar Bangla Mach£9	95
Bengal fish cooked with aubergine and a touch of green of	hilli
Tandoori Trout Masala @ 0 £9 Rainbow trout cooked in a mild creamy sauce.	.95
Roop Chand Masala @ @ £9	.95
Silver promflet fish cooked in a mild creamy sauce.	
Fish Bengal Masala 0 0£9 Bengal fish cooked in mild creamy sauce.	.95
Murghi Masala © 0	.50
Chicken/Lamb Tikka Masala @ @ £8 Cooked in a mild, creamy sauce.	.50
Tandoori King Prawn Masala ** ** £11 Cooked in a mild creamy sauce.	.95
Jhinga Zafron 🐧 🗓	.95
Tandoori Murghi Chana Palak £8 Chicken cooked with chick peas & spinach, medium.	.50
Pasanda Nawabi @ 0	
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To suit your taste the next selection of dishes may be	96

To suit your taste the next selection of dishes may be cooked with any of the following

Cooked with any of the following	*
Mixed Vegetables V	£7.50
Chicken	
Lamb	£7.95
Chicken or Lamb Tikka	
Tandoori Chicken Balti (Off the bor	ne) £8.50
Paneer 0	
Prawns	
King Prawns	£11.95
Fish Tikka (Cod)	£9.95
ZALFREZI	

Cooked with capsicums, onion, fresh green chillies and fresh herbs in a hot sauce.

ACHARI

£7 50

Cooked with homemade pickles, medium with tangy taste.

GARLIC MASALA

Cooked with garlic, spicy or medium

SOUTH INDIAN CHILLI MASALA

Cooked in a smooth, spicy hot sauce.

JAAL JHUL

Cooked Bengal style with garlic, cinnamno and herbs. Hot and spicy.

ROTHON MASALA @ 0

Cooked with fruit cocktail and cream, very mild dish.

KARAHI

Cooked with tomatoes, onion and capsicum, spicy medium dish.

SELECTED BIRIANI DISHES	RICE
You may ask for a different strength sauce, madras.	Lemon Fried Rice£2.95
vindaloo, etc	Garlic Fried Rice£2.95
Chicken£8.95 Lamb or Prawn£8.95	Chilli Fried Rice£2.95
Chicken or Lamb Tikka£9.95	Aloo Fried Rice£3.50
Tandoori Chicken (off the bone)£9.95	Steamed Basmati Rice£2.75
Paneer Tikka 0£9.95	Pilau Rice£2.95
King Prawn£10.95	Fried Rice£2.95
Mixed Vegetables V£8.95	Egg Fried Rice£3.25
Special Combination£10.95	Vegetable Pilau Rice£3.25
Persian or Malayan extra 65p. Extra Mushroom 65p	Special Pilau Rice£3.25
EUROPEAN DISHES	Mushroom Pilau Rice£3.25
Following dishes are served with chips	Keema Pilau Rice£3.50
Sirloin Steak£13.95	Chana Pilau Rice£3.25
Chicken Omelette£9.95	Rothon Pilau Rice£3.25
Mushroom Omelette£8.95	NAAN & SUNDRIES
Prawn Omelette£9.95	
French Fried Chicken£9.95	Special Stuffed Naan @£3.50 Finely chopped chicken tikka pieces topped with
Fried Scampi£9.95	green chilli and cheese.
VEGETARIAN COURSE To accompany your main meal we have selected the following vegetable dishes. We recommend them to	Stuffed Fruit Naan @£3.50 Naan bread stuffed with small pineapple pieces, giving it a fruity taste.
compliment the meat that you order.	Naan @ @£2.75
Side Main	Keema Naan @ @£3.25
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Saag Paneer V 0£3.95£7.50	Tandoori Roti @£2.25
Aloo Gobi V£3.95£7.50	Paratha 6
	Stuffed Paratha @£3.25
Vegetable Curry V£3.95£7.50	Chapathi @£1.95
Saag Aloo V£3.95£7.50	Puri @£1.95
Bhindi Bhajee V£3.95£7.50	Raitha 0
Cauliflower Bhajee V£3.95£7.50	Popadom
Tarka Dhall V£3.95£7.50	Masala Popadom

TERMS & CONDITIONS FOR DINING IN

Chutneys/Pickles......£0.70

Tamarind Sauce£0.70

Selection of Chutneys.....£1.95

Chips £3.25

Chana Bhajee V£3.95 £7.50

Mottar Paneer Mild 0 £3.95 £7.50

Baigon Bhajee V£3.95£7.50

Each person must order atleast one main course; Only one promotional discount/voucher can be used per group/table; Promotions cannot be used in conjunction with other offers; Vouchers are not valid on Friday, Saturday, Bank Holidays, Valentines Day, Mothers Day, Fathers Day, Easter Sunday, Easter Monday, Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, Boxing Day, New Years Eve or New Years Day.

Just William!

hen a Salvation Army leaflet dropped through the letterbox, young William decided to put his reading skills to good use and find out what it was about. Within the leaflet

was a photo of a homeless person that so moved him, he told his dad, 'I want to do something about it.' Dad Robert told us 'I set up a Just Giving page and explained, to raise money William would have to do something so people could donate. It was William's idea to walk around Draycote.

So far

William, who is in



Spectacled Owls class at Dunchurch Infant School, has raised a wonderful £215. If you would like to donate, go to www.justgiving.com/fund-raising/williams-sponsored-walk

Well done William. You are an example to us all.



Dunchurch Twinning Association

By Sue Protheroe

n Wednesday 15th December, Nick Crighton, the last president of the Dunchurch Twinning Association, had the sad duty of officially bringing the Association to an end and dispersing the remaining funds of £3,200

between the following grateful recipients: The Parish Council and Library, Dunchurch and Thurlaston Educational Trust, FODS, Myton Hospice and St Peter's Church.

It was back in 1987 that the French village of Ferrieres en Brie (situated 20 miles to the west of Paris) sought to 'twin' with a UK-based village and seeing an opportunity too good to miss,



Morris dancing at the Ferrieres en Brie carnival



Handing over the cheque donations. Centre left Les Pearce, centre right Nick Crighton, the last President of the DTA

Dunchurch responded, and a wonderful alliance was formed.

Over the next 20 years, reciprocal visits followed involving children and family exchanges. These included sporting events with friendly football and cricket matches, good hearted tug of war, social and cultural experiences and a good deal of wine tasting!

out. The 10th anniversary visit to the gendarmerie in Paris, watching the dressage, visiting champagne caves, the Grande Ball at Chateau de Ferrieres, taking part in the annual carnival dressed as 101 dalmatians – and who could forget the visit to the ostrich farm? – to mention just a few. Showing our friends the sights of London, taking in the breath-taking beauty of Chatsworth, afternoon

cream tea provided by the Winchcombe WI in their village hall and of course, the infamous Old Time Music Hall entertainment we provided in the WI Hall. (We never needed an excuse to entertain with our Kazoo band!) All such great memories.

Ask anyone on either side of the English Chanel of their overriding memory and it will be of delicious, long, lingering lunches and dinners spent with friends who were happy to open their homes and welcome with open arms people who were only strangers for a very short amount of time.

And what of the language barrier? We navigated this by using a strange combination that became affectionately known as Franglais. If this didn't work, we just spoke louder with a French accent accompanied by a lot of arm waving much to the amusement of our French

friends. There was the odd occasion when you wished you hadn't begun a conversation.

Trying to explain about our village pantomime where Steve wears a false bra, dresses as a woman in garish makeup and wig and I dress up Briefle of the odd occasion.

as a man in fishnet tights, caused quite a stir and definitely became lost in translation and headed off in a most peculiar X-rated direction!

However, you could not conclude an article about the twinning/jumelage without mentioning a few names. Les Pearce and his much missed wife Sue who for many years, steered a very successful twinning, their French counterparts Claudine and John Le Goff and the tour de force, the late Marie Andre who always led the singing as the French coach departed from the Dun Cow carpark. It was at this point the Dunchurch hosts would run like crazy to the M45 bridge to catch a last glimpse of the coach as it drove beneath and to wave our French and English flags.

As with all good things that come to an end, there is a feeling of sadness but the good memories remain as do the long lasting friendships we made that still

endure to this day. Thankfully Facebook, exchanged Christmas cards and the occasional visit by friends from across the sea ensures the continuing entente cordiale and bon ami.



Pupils and staff from Hogwarts visit the Ferrieres en Brie carnival



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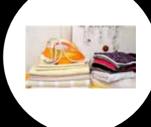
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Doctors in Dunchurch – Part 13: GP Training

By Dr Ian Czerniewski, Dunchurch GP since 1991 and Dr John Airlie Hunter, Dunchurch GP 1963–1998

P Training involves established GPs taking on junior doctors in the practice for 6 to 12 month periods in a form of an apprenticeship. The Trainees (or Registrars) are fully qualified doctors with three or more years of hospital experience who have committed themselves to a career in general practice and need to become familiar with the community-based work of family medicine. At the end of their training and after passing exams for membership of the Royal College of General Practitioners (MRCGP) these doctors qualify to practice independently as GPs.

In the 1990s, GPs could become Trainers after five years of practice and it had been Drs Czerniewski and Roberts' ambition to establish GP Training at Dunchurch since they had joined the practice in 1991. The process stimulates learning, introduces new skills, ideas and personalities to the practice which in turn keeps established GPs up to date and ultimately benefits patients. Apart from completing a course as a GP Trainer, the host GP had to bring practice procedures up to certain standards and to summarise patient records which were still mostly



Four partners and three Trainees L-R Dr Ahmed Hassan, Dr Carne, Dr Roberts, Dr Czerniewski, Dr Reynolds, Dr Claire Kelly and Dr Eileen Berridge

kept in paper form.

When candidates for partnership were interviewed in 1997 and 1998, one key requirement was that they should be interested in GP Training. Dr David Carne was already a qualified Trainer at his previous practice in Croydon and Dr Kate Reynolds had trained in a practice with very strong training credentials. The four partners set about summarising 6000 sets of notes and preparing for training. Dr Carne was instrumental in driving the process and was the nominated Trainer for our first Trainee. Dr Fiona Thomas in 2000 Dr Czerniewski became a Trainer in the same year and Dr Reynolds followed. Since then, there have been almost 50 GP Trainees at the practice, many of whom have become successful local GPs and several have become trainers themselves.

Apart from training, the partners also continued to adapt to the endless NHS rearrangements going on around them.



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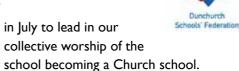
By Joss Andrews, Executive Headteacher

hat a first term it was across the Federation! Despite the ongoing challenges posed by the pandemic (it is currently the start of February as I am writing), there continues to be much excitement at each school.

The Infant school and nursery's conversion to a Church School has provided us with a chance to choose a school vision, rooted in the Bible. The school had identified "Ask and it will be given to you; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; the one who seeks finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened." Or Ask: Seek; Knock!

This vision is also shared with the Junior school and embodies our approach to learning and living life in all its fullness. The children have embraced the vision and our new values and continue to demonstrate them daily. It has been exciting to see how much exploring spirituality is bringing out a great confidence in our pupils and an understanding of others' beliefs.

Further exciting news is that Bishop' Christopher will be joining us later



At the junior school, pupils and staff are preparing for upcoming trips and residentials. These experiences form such an important part of children's upbringing and memories (including our own if we were lucky enough to attend them whilst at school ourselves) and have been significantly impacted over the past two years. There is certainly a buzz around school about being able to attend such events (including Wales, Castleton and York) and not least among the staff! We are hopeful that the residentials will take place and provide the children with yet more fantastic opportunities to learn and develop their skills.

With such a lot going on, it is easy to forget that this year sees the return of national testing. Despite many school leaders' and parents' views on testing, they still form part of our curriculum and, as such, our Year 2 and 6 pupils in particular are working hard towards being able to undertake them with confidence and a positive mind-set. We wish them all the best for next half term.



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A Truly DUNCHURCH Neighbourhood Watch

ot many years ago, if a crime was committed in a neighbourhood watch area the local bobby would inform the coordinator who printed out the details and then posted slips through doors in the area to warn people to be alert. Social media has changed all that!

Now the police send emails to the coordinator and often post accounts of crimes and much relevant advice on social media as well as their own media outlets. People can subscribe to these various sites and receive information on a daily basis. Some find this interesting but, as these reports and articles tend to cover events happening in the whole of Warwickshire, many

people feel overloaded with information and sometimes become irritated by it.

In Dunchurch we try to act as a filter, only posting on the FODS Facebook website, police news that we think is relevant to our particular locality. We also have an email contact list of those who do not use Face-

book and any information that we post on FODS is also sent out to them by email. If you would like to be added to this email list, send an email to FODS.nhwatch@friendsofdunchurchsociety.org. On average we post information about once a fortnight.

Our aim is to make Dunchurch a friendly place where neighbours look out for each other. If you trust your neighbour then a first step is to exchange contact information, so if they have any concerns about your property, they can immediately tell you. Although it is not wise to advertise on social media any planned occasions when you will be away, asking

trusted neighbours to keep an eye on your property is a good idea. This enables nearly every resident to do their bit in the fight against local crime.

We want ours to be a truly Dunchurch Neighbourhood Watch, where we all look out for one another as best we can.

Contact information

999 – only use in an emergency to report a crime that is being committed or if someone is in immediate danger.

101 – use to provide any non-emergency information that you think might support the police in their fight against crime.

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St Peter's Church

By Reverend Pat Townshend

By the time this is read, the Church will be entering the season of Lent, in preparation for Easter. This season marks the lengthening of the days (which is where the word Lent comes from) as we look forward to warmth, new growth and summertime. As I write, the spring bulbs are breaking through as a tangible promise of hope, which will be celebrated in glory on Easter day as we praise the risen Christ.

Lent is traditionally a period of fasting and repentance which, of course, is always a healthy thing to undertake. It is a time when we can re-assess our lives and 'declutter', removing what is no longer necessary, whether it be physical, emotional or psychological clutter. But it can also be a time to take on new habits, learning perhaps, instead of the old ones, new habits of generosity not only with



St Peter's Churchyard. 'Morning has broken' Photo courtesy of Andrew Rix

our material possessions but also of ourselves, our talents, our time and even our comfort.

As we again find ourselves in a time when it looks as though we might be emerging from the Covid pandemic, it perhaps seems a bit like the film *Groundhog Day*. Will we ever stop repeating the pattern? Lent and the approach of Easter remind us that hope is eternal and that, whatever happens, we are in the hands of a God who cares for us and supports us in whatever difficult

situation we find ourselves.

May you find this Lent and Eastertide a time of hope, comfort and new growth.

Easter Services in	Dunch	urch		SIL
10 April Palm Sunday	9:00am	Holy communion and distribution of palms	St Edmund's	ou
	10:30am	Holy Communion and procession of palms	St Peter's	Ma
14 April Maundy Thursday	7:30pm	Holy Communion	Baptist Church	thi
15 April Good Friday	9:45am	Procession of witness	Starting from the Heath opposite the Methodist Church	an
	10:00am	Raising of the Cross	Dunchurch War Memorial	of
	2:00pm	Last Hour at the Cross	St Peter's	
16 April Holy Saturday	9:00	Morning prayer	St Peter's	со
17 April Easter Sunday	9:00	Holy Communion	St Edmund's	ne
	10:30	Holy Communion	St Peter's	-







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Dunchurch Baptist Church

By Rev Dave Woods

I write this article at the end of January, following some further delays in our building project, we are at last almost ready to move into our new church building! We expect to hold the first service there in early February.

It's been a long road – ten years since we accepted that a major building upgrade was necessary; seven years since we took the decision to demolish the old church and start anew; three years since we were advanced enough with planning and fundraising to move to our temporary home at the Methodist Church and commence re-building. And now all the effort is about to come to fruition. Praise God! We are thankful for all the support and help we've received from so many, in our village and beyond.

You may have attended our Open Day on 26th February; we plan others on 5th March (10–12am), and 26th March



(2–4pm). Please call in, we would love to see you! And you would be very welcome to join us



It will be especially pleasing to worship in the new church during this year's Easter celebrations, a highlight in the Christian calendar. The death and resurrection Jesus Christ reveals in dramatic fashion the depth of God's love for humankind, also his determination to provide a means by which we can each establish a genuine relationship with him. Come and hear more at any of our Easter services:

- Maundy Thursday
 14th April, 7.30pm
 Communion Service
 (joint with St Peter's)
 - Good Friday
 15th April, 10.00am

 Open Air Service at The Square
 (joint with St Peter's)
 - Easter Sunday 17th April, 10.30am All-Age Easter Celebration



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Dunchurch community directory

Badminton Group	Dunchurch Village Hall, Monday 7.30pm	judge.patricia@googlemail.com Pat Judge 01788 810253 Carol Seager 01788 814178
Beavers	Boys and girls aged 5^3 /4 – 8 Mondays &Tuesdays,Scout hut, Done Cerce Close	www.dunscout.org.uk join@dunscout.org.uk
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Dunchurch Allotment Association	Situated on Coventry Rd	www.dunchurchallotments.org.uk admin@dunchurchallotments.org.uk Secretary Paul Sanders 01788 811744
Dunchurch Bellringers	St. Peter's Church. Sunday Service ringing 9.50-10.30am, Practice Night, Wednesday 7.45-9.00pm	Mike Bennett, Tower Captain, 01788 814304 mbennettmss@gmail.com
Dunchurch and Bilton Cricket Club	Based as Dunchurch Village Hall Rugby Rd.	https://dunchurchbilton.play-cricket.com
Dunchurch and Thurlaston WI	Meetings 2nd Thursday of each month, 2pm ,WI Hall, Southam Rd.	Anne Gilbert 01788 811837 annegilbert1@hotmail.com
Dunchurch Band	Senior and training band	www.dunchurchband.co.uk dunchurch.band100@yahoo.com
Dunchurch Baptist Church	Currently meeting at the Dunchurch Methodist Church, Cawston Lane.	www.dunchurchbaptistchurch.org.uk Minister Dave Woods 01788 810132 davewoods@dunchurchbaptistchurch.org.uk Secretary Claire Siddaway 01788 815752 secretary@dunchurchbaptistchurch.org.uk
Dunchurch Boughton C of E (VA) Junior School	Primary education situated in Dew Close	www.dunchurchjuniorschool.org.uk admin3391@welearn365.com 01788 811028
Dunchurch Community Library	School Street Open Tues, Thur, Fri 10am - 5pm	www.warwickshire.gov.uk/dunchurchlibrary dunchurchcommunitylibrary@btconnect.com 01788 811355
Dunchurch Festival Group	Organise fete and other events. Meetings third Monday of each month 7.30pm at the village hall	www.dunchurchevents.org Rob Collings 01788 817307 mashedspud1@gmail.com
Dunchurch Health Walks	Tuesday 2pm, Friday 10.30am Meet at war memorial	
Dunchurch Infant School and Nursery	Nursery children are taken from aged 2yrs 9months. Other year groups, Reception, year I and 2	www.dunchurchinfantschoolandnursery. co.uk office@dunchurchinfants.co.uk 01788 810292

Dunchurch Pantomaniacs	Organise and perform village panto in January. Rehearsals begin October.	paul.lepoidevin@btinternet.com sueprotheroe@ymail.com	
Dunchurch Parish Council	PC office based in the Library. Open Tuesday and Thursdays 10am – 1.00pm	clerk@dunchurchpc.org 01788 817550 or 07474 705061	
Dunchurch Photographic Society	Meetings held at WI Hall, Southam Road	www.dunchurchps.com secretary@dunchurchps.com	
Dunchurch Surgery	Dunsmore Heath (off Rugby Rd)	www.dunchurchsurgery.warwickshire.nhs.uk 01788 522448	
Dunchurch Village Hall	Rugby Road	jane.bookings@dunchurchsportsandvhall. co.uk 01788 522444	
Dunchurch Voices	Ladies choir meet Wednesdays, 7.30pm at the infant school.	Barbara Davies 07890 659857	
First Dunchurch Scout Group	Fun, challenge and adventure for boys and girls aged 10½–14. Done Cerce Close on Thursdays	www.dunscout.org.uk join@dunscout.org.uk	
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Friends of Dunchurch Society	Organises Britain in Bloom and Winter Wonderland Produces the village magazine	info@vghrugby.co.uk 07837 182114 fodnews1@gmail.com	
Knowing Stillness Meditation	Dunchurch Library 10am Wednesday	Jim Hesketh 01788 891066	
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Rugby Village Bridge Club	EBU Affiliated. Four pairs sessions and three practice sessions weekly Courses/teams occasionally. Held in club room, Dunchurch Village Hall.	www.rugbyvillagebridge.co.uk rugbyvillagebridge@gmail.co.uk 07710 467023	
Save Dunchurch Action Group	Fighting over development and for improved infrastructure.	www.savedunchurch.co.uk mabjudge@hotmail.com	
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