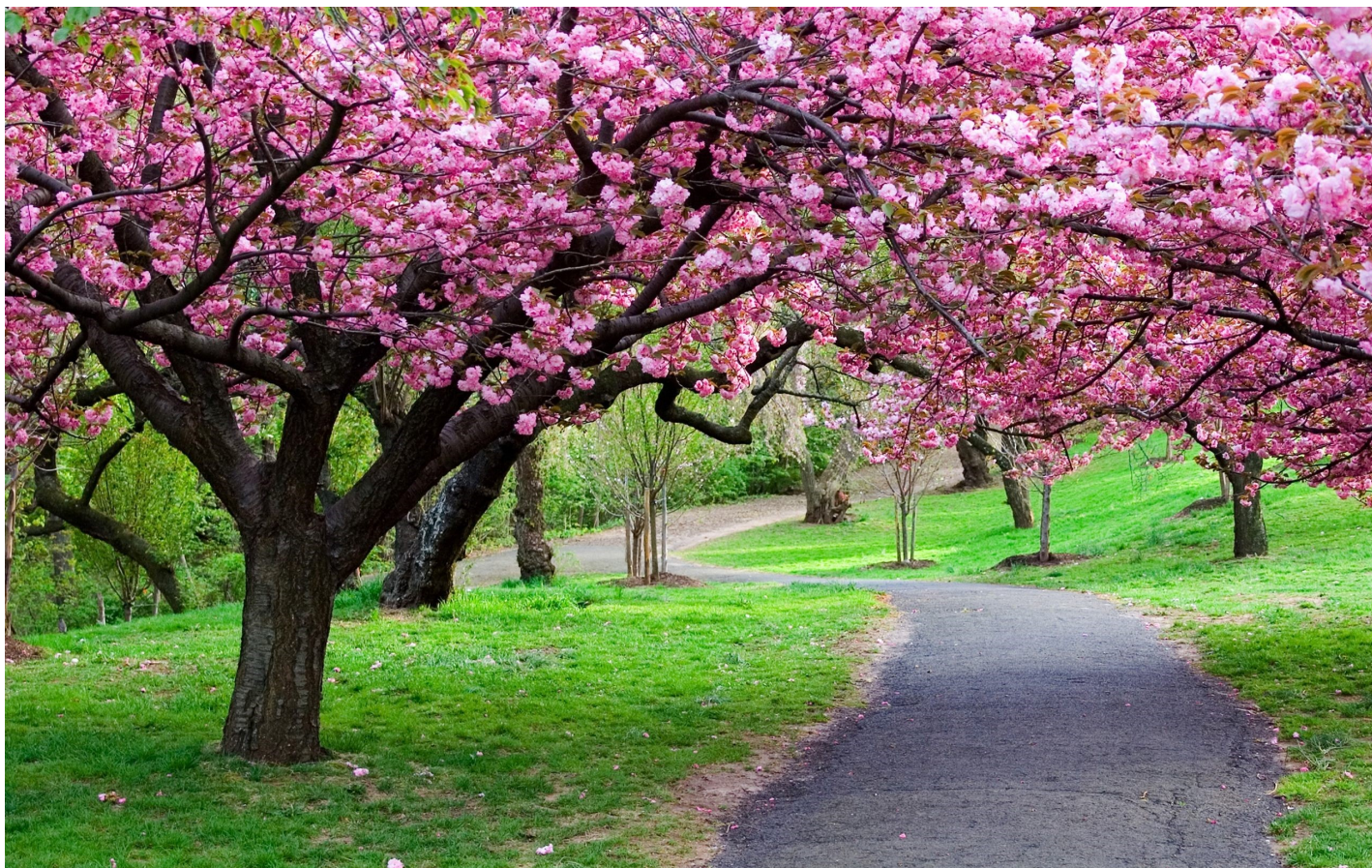




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Editorial

Dear All,

I would like to thank everyone who contributes editorial for inclusion in the magazine; your support is greatly appreciated.

If you have a hobby or interest that you would like to share with others, please send details to the contact address below. Please remember that you can also feature birthday and anniversary greetings as well, the deadline for material is always featured on page 3 of the magazine.

The next edition will be for July/August so please send your recommendations of places to visit - I am sure that parents would appreciate such ideas for the long school holidays. It's your magazine so please get involved!

Best wishes,

Margaret Thompson

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St. Peter's Church News

Dear Friends

Week by week Christians in our community come together to worship and pray together. Occasionally, however, there is the opportunity to join with Christians from further afield to celebrate in a bigger way. Three such opportunities are on offer in May and June.

On Sunday 7th May we are all invited to join with Christians from around our deanery to go along to 3.30 pm Evensong in the cathedral where we will hear our rural dean, the Revd Dr Chris Moore, preach and then share in tea and cake after the service.

Pentecost (what used to be known as Whit Sunday) this year falls on **Sunday 4th June**. The word Pentecost comes from the Greek *pentekoste*, which means fiftieth, because it falls on the fiftieth day after Easter. On that day there is to be a special service in the cathedral to which people from the diocese are invited. The service will, once again, be at 3.30 pm but we plan to walk to cathedral, starting out from Lugwardine Church at 2.00 pm. The service will be followed by a picnic.

And then, on **Friday 30th June** at 7.00 pm, the churches in the Bartestree Cross Group of Churches are coming together at St Peter's in Withington to celebrate the feast of St Peter. The service will be followed by a fish and chip supper.

Please see the notices elsewhere in the magazine for more details and hopefully we will see you at one or more of these events.

Best wishes

Jane

MESSY CHURCH

Thursday 4th May

3.30 – 5.15
In the Church!



What!
Can we do
messy things
in church?

Come and see!
We will be doing all the normal activities, games, crafts, singing, and finishing by sharing some simple food just as usual.

We welcome all our old friends back, plus new friends too. Messy Church is for children up to top Primary age, accompanied by their adults, who are invited to join in the activities with the children.

St. Peter's Church News

Services in Withington and Westhide May and June 2017

Date	Withington	Westhide
Sunday 7th May	NO SERVICE TODAY	
Sunday 14th May	9.30 am Holy Communion	11.00 am Family Communion
Sunday 21st May	9.30 am Holy Communion	
Sunday 28th May	9.30 am Holy Communion	11.00 am Morning Prayer
Sunday 4th June	NO SERVICE TODAY	
Sunday 11th June	9.30 am Holy Communion	11.00 am Family Communion
Sunday 18th June	9.30 am Holy Communion	
Sunday 25th June	9.30 am Holy Communion	11.00 am Morning Prayer
Friday 30th June	7.00 pm Celebration for St Peter	
Sunday 2nd July	4.00 pm Refresh (Tea from 3.30)	

Fundraising Programme for Charities and Church 2017

We welcome everybody to join these events. They are good social gatherings as well as fund raisers!

We aim to raise money for various Charities as well as for St Peter's Church, which needs money for both routine maintenance and to update its facilities. Venues vary, and include the Village Hall, the church and individuals' homes.

PopUp café in church will recommence in May, on Thursdays, weekly, for the summer months.

PopUp café, weekly from.....Thurs 20th Apr (church) until Autumn

Hereford Big Band Concert with supper.....Sat 6th May 7.30pm (VH)

Garden Party Lunch & Mini Auction.....Sun 16th July (Soutar Garden) 1.00pm

Ride & Stride event.....September, (Herefordshire Churches)

Macmillan Coffee Morning.....Fri 29th Sept (VH) 10.30am

Flute Recital.....Sat 7th October (Church)

TBA Concert.....Autumn (Church)

Harvest Service followed by refreshments.....October (Church)

Big Breakfasts, 1st Sat in the month.....recommencing in the Autumn (VH)

Quiz Night.....Sat 18th Nov (VH) 7.30pm

More information from Ruth/Kevin 01432 850074, Margaret 01432 850448

St. Peter's Church News

Thanks for your Support!

Muheza Coffee Morning – over a friendly cup of coffee and plenty of chat and cake we raised almost **£150** as our share towards supporting a nurse in training in Muheza, Tanzania. The rest of the annual amount needed is raised by the other churches in our Benefice.

Films and Food, with Cider Tasting – a great evening, commencing with a free cider tasting presentation by Pips Cider. Two films of archive material were shown, the first being of Herefordshire cider-making, and the second of North Herefordshire in the 1950s. Both films were also shown previously at Borderlines Film Festival. Supper was served, and drinks, including more cider, were available at the bar. We raised the excellent sum of **£390** for church funds.

Big Breakfast – a super occasion! How lovely to have a great breakfast and to be able to relax and enjoy it in the company of lots of village friends! More Big Breakfasts in the Autumn, first Saturday of the month. This time it raised **£100** for St Michael's Hospice and **£100** for our Church.

A big **THANK YOU** to all those who took part in the **Big Breakfast** in April—cooking and eating! We raised over £200 which has been divided between St Michael's Hospice and St Peter's Withington. We will be back on the first Saturday of September, running through the winter months, raising money for local and international charities and Withington Church.

HEREFORD BIG BAND CONCERT

Sat 6th May 7.30
Withington Village Hall



Hereford Big Band Concert
with supper

Withington Village Hall
Saturday 6th May 7.30pm

In support of St Michael's Hospice and
St Peter's Church Withington

Bar, Raffle

Tickets £12 in advance, £15 on the door

Contact Ruth 01432 850074 or
Margaret 01432 850448



Pop Up Café

Withington Church Pop Up Café recommences on
Thursday 20th April 10-12 noon
and will continue every Thursday until the end of
September. We look forward to welcoming new
and old friends!



Withington Parish Hall



The village hall at Withington is known as the J W Smith Memorial Hall and originally built in 1921 in memory of the late John William Smith of Barnamore Whitestone. The old hall on Veldo Lane provided a location for meetings, functions and provided the local community well. Due to the age of the hall and the high costs of maintenance it was decided a new hall was needed which provided up to date facilities. The old hall was demolished and a new one constructed at a new location just off Withies Road. The new building was opened on Saturday 23rd October 1999 by the Chairman Mr. Kevin Hewison and local businessman Mr. John Chadd owner of Chadds of Hereford. As well as local fundraising, money from The Millennium Project and The National Lottery was used to help with the development of the hall. The committee have continued to upgrade the current hall with further funding which has provided improved facilities.

Whatever the size of your function the hall has ample parking outside the venue for guests. Easy access can be gained off Withies Road into the car parking area. We can also offer overflow parking onto the grassed areas. The area is level affording direct disabled access into the foyer and downstairs rooms.

The Main Hall features a wooden floor. As well as a small sports hall this room can also provide a venue for kids parties, jumble sales, large meetings, small theatres, discos and even small animal shows. The hall is large enough to accommodate a bouncy castle inside on rainy days. The room has three patio style fire doors affording easy access to the outside grassed areas.

If you wish to look round please do not hesitate to contact us and we will arrange it for you. Prices are very reasonable and can be obtained through contacting the Booking Secretary. Please note that although our hall has a premises licence for live music, recorded music and dancing, a bar licence is required before serving alcohol on the premises. There are 100+ seats with 15 large tables and smaller square tables are available on request. Also available are low staging blocks but no stage lighting or blackout curtains for the upper windows in the main hall.

Chairman: Kevin Hewison Tel: 850074

Booking Secretary: Kathy Fields Tel: 851001

Treasurer: Paula Highley Tel: 851570



The old Village Hall at Withington

Withington Gardening Club



Hi All

Busy few months ahead planting and then reaping the rewards of your hard work from June onwards.

March meeting: we were all taken in by 'Bugs & Beasties' Richard Fisbourn – with his box of worms – very interesting what worms and other beasties help in our garden!

April 20th – Usual AGM – followed by Tea and Cake possibly glass of wine!

May 17th Marion Stanton talk on setting and planting 'Raised Garden Beds'

June 14th Visit to Shucknall Court – Roses £5/person incl cold drink 6.30pm start

July 19th Visit to Aulden Farm - £6 incl refreshments

Visits meet at hall 6pm to car share / meetings 7.30pm at hall or for further details contact: Diane 01432 850371

New members always welcome .

Elizabeth Byworth Charity

Elizabeth Byworth Charity

The Trustees meet quarterly (March, June, September and December).

If you are under 25 and live in Withington, Westhild or Eau Withington and would like some assistance with purchasing books, equipment, tools, educational visits, uniforms, etc. please contact me at the address below. APPLICATIONS should be made in writing stating name, age and approximate cost of items required and sent to:

Clerk to the Trustees,
Margaret Soutar,
3 Duke Street, Withington.
HR1 3QD

The date of the next meeting is 28th June 2017.

Food For Thought

Chicken and Cheesy Leeks

(serves 4)

3 leeks finely sliced
150g Boursin (Garlic and Herb)
4 skinless chicken breasts
8 Parma ham slices
75g ciabatta bread, torn into small pieces
3 tablespoons olive oil

Preheat oven to 190 degrees (170 fan, mark 5 gas).

Heat 1 tablespoon of oil in a large pan and gently fry leeks for 15 minutes until completely soft.

Stir in Boursin and 3.5 fluid ounces of water. Season to taste and put into an ovenproof serving dish (about 1.5 litres).

Wrap each chicken breast in 2 slices of Parma ham and nestle into the leeks.

Toss ciabatta with remaining olive oil (add some seasoning) and scatter over the top of the leeks and chicken. Cook for 20 - 25 minutes until chicken is cooked through and topping is golden. Serve with seasonal greens.

Westhide

Westhide News

The snowdrops in the churchyard have now been followed by swathes of primroses and violets – gorgeous. Chiffchaffs can be heard in the woods together with the distinctive sound of woodpeckers. We expect the churchyard to be spick and span, as well as the church, after our spring clean in early April.

Lent Lunch at the Glebe was enjoyed, on a glorious sunny spring day, by those attending - with an excellent choice of soups. The collection was held for Médecins Sans Frontières.

We are looking forward to the Cheese and Wine Evening in the church on Friday May 5th at 7pm. The draw for the Grand Raffle will be taking place – hopefully you have bought your raffle tickets?

There will be a special Fathers Day service in St Bartholomew's on 18th June at 3.30pm

Withington Football Club



Withington Junior FC

U11 Training sessions Mon 6pm
U12 Training sessions Weds 6pm
U13 Training Sessions Thurs 6pm
Adult Training Sessions TBC



Contact: Ray: 850669 / 07974 583093
or Steve: 851857 / 07837 984377

Withington FC currently has three teams playing in the Herefordshire Junior Leagues. We are now also running an adult team in the HFA County League. Being an experienced player is not a criteria of joining our teams as we will develop players to play in and become part of the team. Players that want an opportunity to play get an opportunity regardless of experience.

New Players Required NOW: We are currently looking for additional players to bolster our junior teams especially the U13 age group.

Team News: A new U17 team has now been formed and we wish them the best of luck in upcoming tournaments and friendlies. They will be entering next season's league, they are currently recruiting players. If you are interested please contact Ray.

Developments: Update on the new ISO container. The new door and security shutter is now complete, we will be finishing the inside area over the next few weeks.

Funding. The club relies upon donations and fundraising in order to survive. If you can help in any way we will be happy to hear from you.

New Age Group: The club is looking to start up younger age groups in the New Year. We are looking for boys and girls ages 6/7 to start development teams and then progress through the years filling the gap left behind by the current age groups. If there are any youngsters out there interested then please get in touch. The catchment is not just the Withington area so we are happy to take youngsters from all over Hereford.

Coaches Required: With the proposal for the new age groups we will be looking for adult volunteers to take up the coaching roles. You don't have to be a current qualified coach as the club will help support you through your Qualification, an FA enhanced CRC will be required and we will help with this.

Again, if interested please get in touch.

Memories by Bryan Davies

THE NIGHT OUR MEMORIAL HALL BURNT DOWN

Let me take you back to the year 1937.

When I say Memorial Hall, I mean my home town Memorial Hall, a large brick building, about twice the size of the present Withington Village Hall, erected in memory of those who had fallen in the first World War.

One evening I was sitting downstairs in the hall with my mother, watching a cowboy film, "Wild Bill Hickock". Towards the end of the film, Hickock had reached a kind of temporary bridge in the story and turned to face the audience when something rather strange happened. The picture on the screen seemed to melt away and finally disappear, leaving a blank screen. We all knew that something was wrong!

Cinemas (even today) have at the rear of the building a projectionists' box or room where the projectors are kept and operated. In our hall it was at the back of the balcony, upstairs.

At the time of the incident, my brother, older than I, although then quite young, was a part-time assistant projectionist making up a team of two.

When the film stopped running, naturally people turned around to look upstairs to see what was wrong. They saw that the projectionist's box was engulfed in flames. My mother promptly fainted thinking that my brother was still inside.

People with balcony seats were by now making for the two flights of stairs, while others just threw themselves over the balcony rail only to land on those below who were rushing to get out. Many were injured, but none seriously.

In those days, (things have changed since then) film was made of celluloid which was highly inflammable. The 35mm film then used in cinemas was stored on large spools which were mounted singly on the top of the projector and fed through the machine to an empty spool below. Usually a whole film would take up anything from six to eight or nine spools, depending on the length of the film and as each spool expired on the top it was changed for a new one. As the film passed through the projector from the upper spool, to the lower one, it had to run through a part of the projector called the film gate, which stabilized the film for projection. At the same time as each frame passed through the gate, a very bright white light produced by two carbon rods electrically charged, was cast on the film. Not only was this light very intense, bright enough to put a large picture on a screen perhaps more than a hundred and fifty feet away, but it also produced a great heat. This was fine so long as the film continued passing through the gate, but should the film jam or stop in the gate, then instantly it would catch fire. This is precisely what happened that night. The film in the gate caught fire which immediately spread to the top spool and then to the lower spool from where it spread into the open metal box holding a further six or seven spools. These exploded into flame and within seconds the whole room became a raging inferno with the fire now spreading into the hall itself.

Anyone trapped in that area was in grave danger of being burnt to death. The local fire brigade was summoned and duly appeared in the form of old Evan Timothy, himself in his seventies, valiantly pushing his large two wheeled hand cart plus a couple of hoses, up the steep hill to the hall.

Clearly the hall was doomed as was Evan Timothy's valiant effort. Evan himself required resuscitation on the spot and eventually recovered well enough to live on for many years. By the time he reached the top of the hill, the whole building was ablaze and it was nearly all over.

Needless to say we lost our Memorial Hall, but it was later re-built, but this time with the projectionists' box on a balcony outside the building.

My mother fainted because she thought that my brother was still inside the projection room, but she hadn't taken into account one rather strange thing about the building. The main switch for the hall lights was positioned on the opposite end of the hall from where the projection box was and one of my brother's jobs was to make his way down to the floor of the hall, round to the back of the screen in readiness to switch on the main lights at the end of the film. When the fire broke out, he was well away from the source of the blaze. Consequently he was safe. My mother's faint was totally in vain!!

So, what happened to the other projectionist who was in the room when the fire started? He was dragged out of the room, his clothes alight, but amazingly only suffered a badly burnt arm. Some other people were injured, but no one was badly hurt and no one died.

Today, now re-built, the hall stands as proudly as ever on its small hill with little to show of that night so many years ago. Films are still shown there to this day.

One thing has however changed. Added to the list of those who died in the first World War are the names of those who perished in World War II.

After the war my brother continued showing films in the new hall (as a hobby) until just before his death at the age of 82 yrs.

Such is life!
Bryan.



Local History

Rodney (Gipsy) Smith MBE

BORN: March 31, 1860 Died: August 4, 1947 LIFE SPAN: 87 years, 4 months, 4 days

Gipsy Smith was, perhaps, the best loved evangelist of his time. Crowds that attended his rallies often overflowed the halls and auditoriums. Born in a gipsy wagon six miles northeast of London, at Epping Forest, he received no education. The family made a living selling baskets, tin ware and clothes pegs. His father, Cornelius, and his mother, Mary (Polly) Welch, provided a home that was happy in a gypsy wagon, despite the fact that father played his violin, and drank in pubs.

Young Rodney would dance and collect money for the entertainment. Yet he never drank or smoked, which may have contributed to his longevity. Rodney was a small lad when his mother died from small-pox.

Rodney's conversion as a sixteen-year-old came as a result of a combination of things. Hearing American Ira Sankey sing, (Gospel singer and hymn writer), and visiting the home of John Bunyan in Bedford, who was an English writer and Puritan preacher of the time, and was himself the eldest son of a Tinker.

Standing at the foot of the statue of Bunyan, Smith vowed he would live for God and meet his mother in heaven. A few days later in Cambridge, he attended the Primitive Methodist Chapel on Fitzroy Street. George Warner, the preacher, gave invitation to those present and Rodney went forward. Somebody whispered, "Oh, it's only a gypsy boy." This was November 17, 1876. He rushed home to tell his father that he had been converted. He got a Bible, English dictionary and Bible dictionary and carried them everywhere causing people to laugh. "Never you mind," he would say, "One day I'll be able to read them," adding, " and I'm going to preach too." Two years later, Smith joined General William Booth's (Salvation Army founder) mission, and began preaching to crowds that numbered from 100 to 1,500. He conducted evangelistic campaigns in the United States and Scotland for over 70 years. He visited America over 30 times and preached around the world twice. In the Paris Opera House he had 150 conversions from the cream of Parisian society. It is said, that he never had a meeting without conversions.

He toured the United States and Canada from 1939 to 1945. In that year he returned to Britain, and continued preaching, but the Country was preoccupied with recovery from the Second World War. Gipsy Smith, by now was very tired, and thinking the sunshine of Florida might be good for his health, embarked again for America. On the outward bound voyage to Florida, and three hours out of New York, he died on the Queen Mary, from a heart attack. His funeral was held August 8, 1947 in Fifth Avenue Presbyterian Church of New York.

A memorial with a plaque was unveiled on July 2, 1949 at Mill Plain, Epping Forest. His place of birth. So ended the life of one, who once said, "I didn't go through your colleges and seminaries." "They wouldn't have me."

He visited Withington in 1909, where he addressed a gathering of Villagers, observing that : It was most touching to see the Children listening with fixed eyes and open mouths as he told how the Lord had visited his wagon, and called the little gipsy boy to be a preacher. This gathering was under an apple tree in a small orchard and garden in the Stallenege. Later a chapel was erected at the site for the Wesleyan Methodists in 1912. Gipsy Smith visited troops on the front line during the First World War, under the auspices of the YMCA, and for this service he was awarded the MBE by King George VI.

Article kindly submitted by Laureen Willmott.

Withington Primary School



HELLO FROM EVERYONE AT WITHINGTON PRIMARY SCHOOL



The Spring term seemed to pass us by in a flash. It was jammed packed with learning and wonderful opportunities. These are just a few of the things we got up to at Withington Primary.

SPRING TERM

The spring term was very busy at Withington Primary, it included;

- TESCO Farm to Fork trail - Reception
- Class assemblies
- Reception trip to the library
- Year 3/4 Residential in Malvern

EXPERIENCE EASTER

St Peters church hosted Experience Easter. It was a wonderful opportunity for the school and the local community to come together and experience the story of Easter.



UPCOMING EVENTS

We will be holding another BINGO night at the village hall soon, as well as a summer fayre, keep your eyes peeled for more details..

TWITTER

Remember you can follow us on Twitter @Withington_hfds and FACEBOOK to keep up to date with everything that is happening at Withington Primary School.



Preston Wynne

Preston Wynne News May/June

Hello Everyone,

Spring is definitely bustin' out all over now, just glorious except for all the work that suddenly has become imperative in the garden. A sense of panic seems to go with this as nature gallops along leaving you behind in an everlasting state of catch-up. In our heads we have this picture of us sitting in our perfect garden on a sun lounger, shades on, glass of wine in one hand, book in the other. Never managed it yet – maybe this year.....!!?! Never mind, our gardens wouldn't look good concreted over, and we'd still have to sweep them. I was visiting New York a few years back and we visited a friend of a friend who had an apartment in Manhattan and our friend Missy who we were staying with was waxing lyrical about the *garden* this friend had (hardly anyone has a garden there as every square meter is built on). The much vaunted garden turned out to be a bench on a sort of mini concrete veranda. Now that garden puts everything in perspective – fancy not having any grass to cut at all. Talking of which is there anyone out there who could help with taming the churchyard here in Preston Wynne. If you could possibly help at all please phone Tricia on 820650.

Sunday Services

May 14th 8.00 a.m H.C

There will be a group Service on May 21st at 10.30 am at Marden. This will be Heather's last Service and will be followed by refreshments.

June Services t.b.a. please look out for notices on the corner.

A date for your diary. There will be a **SUMMER CONCERT** in the Church on July 1st at 4.00 pm when bubbly and canapes will be served. Members of Bromyard Choral Society and some instrumentalists will perform some light popular items in aid of Church funds. It promises to be a delightful afternoon.

Congratulations to 4 members of our W.I. who took part recently in the County Quiz. There were three heats all held on the same day and our team got through to the final being one of the five teams from the fifteen in Ledbury to go through. There were eleven teams in the final and our team came fourth overall. A very creditable effort don't you think?

That's about it for now, by the time you read this Easter will have come and gone so we do hope you had a good one,

Love Hilary and Tricia



Kiddies Corner

Pencil Holder For Dad



Materials required

Recycled container
Paper
Yarn or rope
Scissors, tape
Glue
Pictures from magazines

Instructions:

1. Cut the paper to go around the can, it can overlap a little. Cut the paper 2.5cm shorter than the height of the can. Affix to the can with tape.
2. Decorate with pictures taken from a magazine. (Attach them to the paper with glue)
3. Secure the yarn or rope at the top and bottom of the can

Riddles

1. What always runs but never walks, often murmurs, never talks, has a bed but never sleeps, has a mouth but never eats?
2. What English word has three consecutive double letters?
3. The more you have of it, the less you see. What is it?
4. You throw away the outside and cook the inside. Then you eat the outside and throw away the inside. What did you just eat?
5. Forward I'm heavy, but backwards I'm not. What am I?
6. The more you take, the more you leave behind.
7. I travel all over the world but always stay in my corner. What am I?
8. Why can't someone living in Maine (USA) be buried in Florida?
9. Which is the most curious letter?
10. Which month has 28 days?

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Nature

Adventure Club- survival

Tues 30 May

10am-3pm

Develop your survival skills over the May half term and learn how to make knots, swings and bridges with the WildPlay team at Queenswood. Bring a packed lunch.

Venue: Queenswood Country Park and Arboretum, Dinmore Hill, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 0PY.

Cost: £15. For ages 7+

Booking: Book your place online at www.queenswoodandbodenhamlake.org or call 01432 356872.

WildPlay – Get Crafty and Play

Wed 31 May

1.30-3.30pm

Join WildPlay for some magical forest fun with elves, fairies and pixies over May half term at Queenswood.

Venue: Queenswood Country Park and Arboretum, Dinmore Hill, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 0PY.

Cost: £2 per child, children under 2 years free.

Booking: Book your place online at www.queenswoodandbodenhamlake.org or call 01432 356872.

Lake Play at Bodenham Lake

Thurs 1 June

10.30am-12.30pm

Join WildPlay for some seasonal wildlife inspired activities, crafts and games over May half term at Bodenham Lake Nature

Reserve. Bring a picnic and relax by the lake.

Venue: Bodenham Lake Nature Reserve, Bodenham, HR1 3JT. Meet in the car park. Grid reference SO 529 509

Cost: Free.

Booking: Book your place online at www.queenswoodandbodenhamlake.org or call 01432 356872.

Wildlife Watch Club

Sun 4 June

12.30-2.30pm

Monthly nature club for young enthusiasts aged 7 to 14 years, meets first Sunday of every month.

Venue: Queenswood Country Park and Arboretum, Dinmore Hill, Leominster, Herefordshire, HR6 0PY.

Cost: £2 Wildlife Watch members, £4 non members.

Booking: Book your place online at www.queenswoodandbodenhamlake.org/wildlifewatch or call 01432 356872.

Answers to Riddles

- | | |
|-------------------------------------|------------------------------|
| 1. A river | 5. Footsteps |
| 2. Bookkeeper | 6. A stamp |
| 3. Darkness | 7. Because he's still alive! |
| 4. An ear of corn (corn-on-the-cob) | 8. "Y" |
| 5. Ton | 9. All of them |

Contact Names and Telephone Numbers

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<u>Withington Parish Magazine:</u>	Editor Margaret Thompson	850182
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Poetry Corner



*Do you remember back in childhood
How we loved the first of May?
When we hung flower-filled baskets
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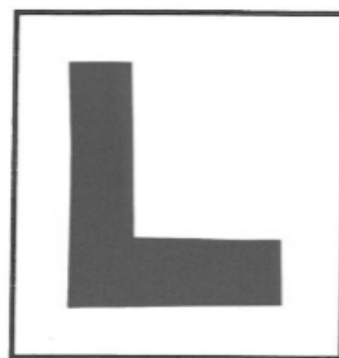
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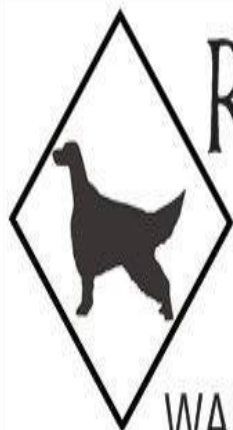
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