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Our Coronation 'Street Party'











Over 100 people, from all over the village, gathered together to celebrate the King's Coronation on a gloriously sunny day! It was lovely to see so many newcomers taking part and the BBQ gave everyone a chance to meet up and chat together.

Thanks to all those who brought plates of food to share and special thanks to everyone who volunteered their time to set things up and man the BBQ's.

It certainly was a day to remember.

Many thanks to Debbie and James who coordinate the Big Lunch for the village every year, including this year, when it was also celebrating the Coronation.

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Dates for your Diary

Thursday June 1st Jubilee Club – Medical Detection Dogs
Sunday June 4th Holy Trinity Patronal Festival 10.00am
Saturday June 10th Summer Concert Caxton St Andrews Church
Saturday July 1st ACCESS Potato Weigh- In HT churchyard 10am
July Weekends Open Studios – see advert
July 27th Jubilee Club outing to Wells-next-the-Sea

Help with heating your home

We are Better Housing Better Health - BHBH - a free service run by the National Energy Foundation which is a charity working to help residents living in or at risk of living in fuel poverty to access free advice and support. We are contacting you to ask for some space in your Parish/Town magazine so as many residents as possible can access our service. We would also like to provide some free fuel poverty training for any frontline staff who may be in contact with those who could benefit from our service.

We have been delivering this service for over ten years now and have recently secured funding from the Redress Scheme which enables us to support even more residents across Cambridgeshire (South Cambridgeshire) and the East of England.

We're a service that's free of charge and open to all residents experiencing issues with their home energy. As part of our service, we have a helpline that's free to call where our team can give valuable tips on how to stay warm at home, provide free home energy visits, sign up those in need of additional support to the Priority Services Register and access grants for energy efficiency measures.

It's easy to refer into our service, simply visit www.bhbh.org.uk/make-a-referral/ or call our free helpline number 0800 107 0044.

IMPORTANT DATES

Mobile Library – The Poacher, Second Thurs of the month 12.10pm - 12.40pm
Post Office services from the pavilion: Tues 2-4, Thurs 12-2pm
Next Elsworth Times Deadline and Publication Date

Editorial Copy and Notices by 24th July 2023

BIN COLLECTION DATES Bin Dates Black Bin Blue Bin Green Bin Thu 8 Jun 2023 Thu 15 Jun 2023 Thu 22 Jun 2023 Thu 29 Jun 2023 Thu 6 Jul 2023 Thu 13 Jul 2023 Thu 20 Jul 2023 Thu 27 Jul 2023 Thu 3 Aug 2023 Thu 10 Aug 2023 Thu 17 Aug 2023

CLERK'S COLUMN LIZ SIM PARISH CLERK

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ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

At the Annual Parish Council meeting in May Peter Deer was elected unopposed as the Chairman of the Council. Parish Council representatives for village organisations were confirmed.

The Samuel Franklin Fund
 Parish Tree Warden
 Fardells' Lane Volunteer Warden
 Elsworth Sports Club
 David Pope
 Paul Harding
 Louise Hanzi
 Lawrence Siefert

Elsworth Community Flood Group Existing members reappointed. Philip Sleightholme, Peter Ward, James Witherow and Ian Maddison

SCDC 4 DAY WORKING WEEK

The current 4-day trial of the working week is to be extended for a further year. Councillors commented that

- The current level of service from the DC had deteriorated and response times for issues had declined markedly.
- Contact with officers at the DC was very poor and much time was wasted with no clear delegation of responsibility when officers were on their non-working days.
- Current work time arrangements represented a substantial pay award for DC staff at a time when parishioners were seeing a decline in general service levels and an increase in council tax.

BIN COLLECTIONS

A 14-week trial of 4 working days is proposed with an aim to streamline the service, avoid reshuffles for bank holidays, increase recruitment and retention of operatives and save money by requiring fewer agency staff. Councillors questioned

- How this proposal would be measured in terms of benefits to the ratepayers.
- How new lorries could be justified at the expense of ratepayers who were struggling to make ends meet following increases in council tax
- How taxpayers' opinions could be fed back to the DC as the impact on parishioners needed to be seriously considered.

CAMBRIDGE CONGESTION CHARGE

All 24K responses to the consultation have been analysed and GCP will now consider the results.

East West Rail A decision on the proposals was expected to be published on Wednesday May 24th.

PAPWORTH SURGERY

Concerns have been raised about the difficulty some parishioners are having contacting the Surgery to arrange appointments. The impact is particularly hard on residents who do not have access to the internet. NHS Cambridgeshire and Peterborough have taken up this issue and representatives of the Papworth Surgery Patients' Link Team are taking the matter up with the practice.

AUDIT OF PARISH COUNCIL ACCOUNTS

Parish Council accounts have to be audited by both internal and external auditors. The internal audit has been completed and councillors unanimously agreed that the Chairman sign the Annual Governance statement and the Accounting statement for 2022/2023

VILLAGE PUBLICATIONS

At the Annual Parish Meeting in April the future of the Elsworth Times and its funding was raised by the current editor, Sue Taylor, who noted that her team had agreed to continue editing

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the publication for the year and that the publishers (Pendrill Publications) had indicated that they were considering retirement. At that meeting it was generally felt that the publication was enjoyed and should continue to receive support but that it would be helpful to know the feelings about this from the wider Elsworth Community. If you have any comments to make, please let Sue Taylor know. set.taylor@btinternet.com

Alan Farrow has advised that he will no longer be able to produce the Elsworth Chronicle.

Tom Hogan took on the management of the website when Kasio Bienek sadly passed away. Paul Harding is currently storing hard copies of documentation and has produced an initial provenance list of all the material. As much work will be necessary to complete the categorisation, help from interested parties would be welcome. Councillors agreed that safeguarding and continuing the web site should be encouraged and that decisions need to be taken about the physical archiving and future storage of documentation.

ELSWORTH COMMUNITY FLOOD PLAN

Councillors agreed unanimously to adopt the plan that the flood group had produced. It was recognised that this plan will provide a way forward and permit access to funding streams. In addition, it was agreed that, as this was an evolving document, it would be reviewed by the PC on an annual basis.

DEFIBRILLATOR

The village defibrillator is sited on the wall of the Poacher pub in Cotterell's Lane. It is now some time since a training course was arranged for its use and some residents have requested a refresher. If you are interested, please let me know.

PLANNING

Planning Applications considered.

23/0354/TTPO 2 Smith Street Site Elsworth Cambridgeshire. T15 Ash tree Crown reduce by 0.5m to a maximum of 2m on all trees. (to achieve a reduction in crown volume by 50% staying within BS3998 and removing secondary and tertiary limbs only, and not exacerbating any one sidedness of the trees current form). PC No objection

- 23/0134/23 TTPO 2 Smith Street Elsworth Cambridgeshire Proposal: 2 x Weeping Ash (T1 and T2 our ref): Section Fell to ground level after report from John Setchell design report ref 3187. PC recommendation: Support
- 22/05065/FUL The Avenue Business Park Brockley Road Elsworth Cambridgeshire Davison and Co (Barford) Further Consultation on application for Planning Permission for Creation of a mixed-use food hub with additional parking. Amendment. Removal of additional access onto Rogues Lane, reduction in car parking, submission of preliminary ecological appraisal, retail impact assessment, flood risk assessment and additional information. PC recommendation: No recommendation, with comments.
- 23/00952/LBC & 23/00951/HFUL 2 Brook Street Single story side and rear extension. PC recommendation: Support
- 23/0309/TTCA 9 Boxworth Road Elsworth
 Proposal: 1 Elm remove dead fallen stem. remove single dead stem with bird box
 - 2 Group of Elm re-pollard all remaining Elm to 4-5m5 Field Maple reduce to just above height of shed approx2.5m PC recommendation: Support
- 23/01254/LBC 1 Brockley Road Elsworth Cambridgeshire CB23 4JS

Elsworth Times

Installation of illuminated and non-illuminated signs to the exterior of the building

PC recommendation; object with comments.

 23/00694/LBC & 23/0615/HFUL 2 Church Lane Elsworth Cambridgeshire CB23 4HU Replace above ground LGP tank on concrete base to below ground vessel; restore garden to original state; remove damaged brick arch and replace with a continuation of fence to improve safety and access. PC recommendation support

APPLICATIONS DETERMINED/CLOSED BY SCDC

- 23/0309/TTCA 9 Boxworth Road Elsworth Cambridgeshire CB23 4JQ Have No Objection To
- 2. 22/04843/FUL Dears Farm Fardells Lane Elsworth Cambridgeshire Granted Permission on 17 May 2023

DATES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS IN 2023

July 19th Parish Council Meeting
September 20th Parish Council Meeting
November 15th Parish Council Meeting

New Equipment Available to Fight Floods

Elsworth Community Flood Group Article No 2.



The Flood Group now has some flood related tools for use in an emergency. The Environment Agency has recently awarded us a grant to purchase additional tools. To store the tools, a new equipment shed has been built on the site of the old sports equipment shed by the community shop.

A full list of the tools will be published in the Community Flood Plan, now formally adopted by the Parish Council and available shortly on the Elsworth Village website. Tools include additional sandbags, hand tools, buckets and first aid kits.

In the meantime, keys for the shed are kept at the shop, available through James Howell and Peter Ward. A key safe is being sought for installation at the sports hall.

Although the Environment Agency Flood Line provides a national early warning system for floods, in this area it is centred on the Great Ouse and warnings arrive too late for us. We often receive Flood Line Yellow Alerts (24 Hour Advance Flood Warnings) some 12 hours after Elsworth has been flooded.

To provide a more relevant warning of floods, the County Council has agreed that Elsworth can take part in a trial installation of telemetry equipment to monitor the height of water in the brook. As well as providing early warning information to the national network, the information will be shared with us so that we have a better warning of floods in the future.

The equipment is to be installed in the brook in the next few weeks. The Parish has made an application to Cambridgeshire County Council for a grant towards dealing with flooding on the West side of the village. At present water from the fields owned by Davisons and Agreserves is concentrated into Water Lane and from there flows down Broad End and Fardell's Lane. It is proposed that a relief ditch be constructed from Rogues Lane to Meadow Drift

around the edge of the village to prevent this from happening in the future and funding is being sought for these works. Negotiations are being undertaken with the landowners concerned. We hope to have more information regarding this work by the next issue of the Elsworth Times.

Topically, the village suffered from minor flooding two weeks ago from intense rain storms. Our roads were once again flooded due to blocked gullies.

You can assist the community to help prevent this from happening by reporting any gullies that you find blocked. Reports can be sent to Cambridgeshire County Council by using the Council reporting line on their website.

https://highwaysreporting.cambridgeshire.gov.uk/

ELSWORTH JUBILEE CLUB

On May 4th, the Jubilee Club heard from beekeeper, Moira Monro, of the Huntingdon Beekeepers Association. Moira told us about the basic life of the bees, various types of hives, and much more about beekeeping, even explaining the best response to swarming bees (phone the Beekeepers Association!) She also invited us to visit the Huntingdon Apiary located in Hinchingbrooke Country Park (PE29 6DB).

The apiary contains over 16 colonies of bees in different styles of beehives and offers a large (completely safe) viewing gallery (excellent for children). From Easter to September, every Wednesday morning and some Sunday afternoons, Moira, or other local volunteer beekeepers are available to answer questions. The Beekeepers Association offer Beginner's Courses in bee keeping, taster sessions, and Adopt a Hive sessions. School and other groups are welcome to visit. Honey is available for purchase at the park cafe.

Members of the Jubilee Club were treated to a tasting session which offered both "set" and "runny" honey. Moira commented that personal preferences for one or the other is usually about 50/50 but in this case, we found that a majority preferred the "set" honey.

Thank you, Moira, for helping us to better understand bees! (Ruth Fleischer)



CAMBOURNE COMMUNITY CAR SCHEME

The Scheme provides door to door transport for those living in the villages of Caxton, Papworth, Knapwell & Elsworth as well as Cambourne who are unable to drive or use public transport to get to medical & some social appointments. A small fee is charged (payable in cash to the driver) to cover the cost of the driver's car expenses but the driver gives his or her time for free. To access this service please email: cambournecarscheme@gmail.com or telephone: 07526 998 465.

If we are unable to respond we will return your call. If you need to take a walker or folding wheelchair we can normally do this—but please let us know when booking.

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ERIC/SALLY (Coordinators)

HOLY TRINITY CHURCH ELSWORTH



A time to ...

Three bank holidays in May this year. Thankyou King Charles! It got me thinking about the meaning of the word HOLIDAY. Classic definitions say things such as '...a day ... on which ordinary business is suspended...' and '... a period of time spent away from work ...'; which it definitely is not for people employed in various sectors, working whilst many others are not!

The less-obvious definition is that it should be a HOLY day, a day set apart, a day for resting, to focus on family or, for some, to meet with others for worship; all things that seem a lot harder to prioritise since 'Sunday-trading' laws were relaxed more than 30 years ago in the UK.

I am glad the coronation of King Charles and Queen Camilla has been on a Saturday – with thousands in London or Windsor and many millions glued to watching the events on our TV screens; so that the holiday could be a day when many can choose to strip

Recent ACCESS events:



event – the Egg Drop – where competitors tried to protect a hen's egg from breaking when dropped from the top of the church tower! Some amazing inventions were seen. The winning family had a range of successful strategies!

Easter Saturday saw a fun

Another wonderful plant sale was held on Saturday May 20th, with the usual magnificent refreshments. We had a wonderful sunny morning, and raised nearly £400. I would like to thank all those who grew and sold plants, those who baked cakes and biscuits and most importantly those who came along and bought some great bargains for their gardens.

The Great Potato weigh-in will be held on Saturday July 1st in the churchyard (10-12noon).

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A very competitive event, there will be prizes for the greatest total weight of potatoes and the largest potato in both adult and children's categories. As usual, home- made refreshments will be

Access Elsworth is committed to improving the interior of the church, making it an accessible and inviting place for all the community. We are raising money to fund these improvements which, along with grant funding, will enable this to happen.

Thank you for your support.

available.

back regular commitments and make it a special and different day; whether at home, with relatives or in the village where we live.

The notion of a HOLY day reminds me there is a rhythm of days of rest built into the way of life of people of faith. It may not surprise you to hear if 50 years ago an active Christian went to church, read from the Bible and prayed once a week, the busyness of 21st century life for many has taken shifted that from once a week to once a month. In a similar period, it seems the stability of many homes and families has become much less certain, and the incidence of poor mental health much more widely felt. Whilst the freedom to be more open and less private about personal problems is to be welcomed, I wonder whether a contributory factor to these societal changes has come about in part through the neglect, abandonment or squeezing out of the pursuit of holiness, rest, nurturing important relationships and good wholesome recreation? Many may have prospered in financial terms but has the cost been worth it?

It may be that our King and Queen don't really get much of a break until they manage a traditional royal summer holiday; between now and then taken up by a myriad of public, private, national and global commitments. Unusually and therefore we should say exceptionally, their life's work is beginning when they are at a mature age when most will hope to be guarding their health, spending time children and grandchildren, taking those long-delayed world trips and giving themselves to projects of personal interest and hobbies that regular working life never allowed.

Their very public change of circumstances is a timely reminder: we all need to allow some slack for a mixture of the inevitable and the unexpected to break upon us and demand time and attention. That, in itself, should provoke us to reconsider whether there are enough HOLY-DAYS built into our way of life and personal patterns.

Nigel di Castiglione - Team Rector



Papworth Surgery

We are delighted to say that the new online triage system for making Drs Appointments at the surgery is working well. We do sometimes have to close the system earlier than 12pm because once we have reached capacity it would be unsafe to keep it open, but anyone who believes they have a really urgent need to be seen the same day can still phone the surgery and the receptionist can speak to the Duty Dr to get their advice. Otherwise the triage will open again at 7am the following morning.

We have been listening to feedback and have made one important change going forward. Should you require a routine GP appointment, please ring the surgery on 01480 830888, and the receptionists will be able to make you an appointment a week or two ahead. Should you require a more urgent or on the day appointment then your request will still need to be triaged. Please complete the 'Contact Us Online' form via our website, www. papworthsurgery.nhs.uk As previously, if you don't have online access our receptionists will be happy to complete the form for you if you telephone the surgery.

All nurse and blood test appointments can still be made in the usual way by phoning the surgery.

In other news, our Patient Participation Group, Patients Link, will be holding their AGM on June 26th in Papworth Everard Village Hall. The meeting will start at 7.30 pm. Once the official AGM work is done, Dr Greenwood will be doing a talk on Respiratory Diseases. Everyone is invited to come along and join us. Please let your friends, neighbours know! We provide teas, coffees, juice and biscuits. The meeting usually finishes at around 9pm.

WHAT IS SHAVUOT?

Following the article on Passover, quite a few villagers requested more information about Judaism and its practices. Shavuot, this year, the 26th to the 28th of May, follows Passover by 50 days. Most Christians seem unaware that the Shavuot (literally 7 weeks) in the Bible and the Pentecost (50) are the same event. This is the "festival" that "arrived" in The Acts. So-what is Shavuot and what does it celebrate? Why is it linked to the events of Acts 2?

According to the Torah (Five Books of Moses), in Deuteronomy 16:9-12, this holiday is "Chag Habikurim", the first of the harvest. It begins seven weeks from Passover at the time of the wheat harvest. The "Omer" was the first sheaf of the newly cut grain. It was to last for seven days.

While the Temple was still standing (until 70), specified offerings were given and a holy convocation was called on the first day.

In the diaspora (the Romans forced many Jews into exile and sold them as slaves), disconnected from the harvest cycles, Shavuot became associated with the giving of the Torah to Moses which did happened at this time. Thus, it has come down to us as a time to celebrate the giving of the Torah.

On this holiday (this year, the 27-28th of May) children are often introduced to cheer (Hebrew and religious school) and given honey and sweets to remind them that "the Torah is sweet on our lips."

The book of Ruth is customarily read on Shavuot--describing as it does, an agrarian society at harvest time



(Ruth 2:23). Ruth, although born a Moavite, became a convert to Judaism and is an ancestor of King David who is supposed to have died on Shavuot.

At celebratory meals, dairy foods are traditionally eaten—the most popular being cheesecake, but also including braided egg bread with honey. Synagogues are often adorned with plants and greenery. An Aramaic hymn, Akdamut (11th century) is recited.

At some synagogues, a "ketubah" (marriage contract) between God (the groom) and Israel (the bride) is also read. The bride says "na'aseh Ve Nishma"—we will do and we will listen" and the groom gives the bride his gift of the Torah.

Thus, it was on Shavuot that Peter stood up and preached that the Messiah promised by the prophets had come. His audience were faithful Jews who had come up to Jerusalem to keep the feast (Acts 2) as God had commanded.

Rabbi Dr. Ruth Fleischer

ELSWORTH KNAPWELL INSPIRING WOMEN CONINGTON

Ever since its inception in 2015 the WI has campaigned on key national and local issues, increasing public awareness and, with its growing influence, contributing to bringing about real change. The very first WI resolution, passed in 1918, called for a sufficient supply of "convenient and sanitary housing". In 1943 a Suffolk Federation called for equal pay for equal work, following a national debate on equality for women after WWII. Other campaigns have been against litter to protect the countryside and a call for restriction on smoking.

Elsworth, Knapwell & Conington WI takes part in these annual resolution debates, with a vote from our local organisation being taken to the WI AGM in June. Our May meeting is always devoted to discussion and voting on the particular resolution selected by a national membership vote so on 10th May we had an interesting discussion on "Clean Rivers for People and Wildlife", an issue which as we all know is currently causing much concern because of the ongoing pollution of sewage and other contaminates being leaked into our rivers and seas. The resolution is calling for the government, the public, local authorities and of course the water companies to work to achieve designated bathing sites on appropriate stretches of rivers in their area. Although some members felt this might be too modest a campaign with pollution such a major issue the majority voted to support on the basis that work could be done locally to test and monitor parts of our nearest rivers and streams to identify pollution concerns and who or what was responsible.

A local charity which is supported by Elsworth WI is MAGPAS Air Ambulance. A former WI member, Nancy Collingwood, was a staunch supporter and now another member, Sylvia Moore, has continued Nancy's good work by hosting monthly coffee mornings to support the charity. A cheque for £200 was recently sent by Sylvia to MAGPAS in Huntingdon and a very informative letter was sent in grateful response to Sylvia explaining that the money raised equated to the cost of three laryngoscopes used by their team to

keep an unconscious patient's airway clear of obstruction and also as a guide to inserting a tube to take over a patient's breathing. MAGPAS is a very effective and important local charity and over the 50 years it has been in action has saved thousands of lives. Well done to Sylvia and to her coffee morning guests for raising such a considerable amount of money for such an excellent cause.

Over the past year several new members have joined our WI are bringing new ideas and contacts to our group. If you are interested why not come aong to a meeting (we are very welcoming) and see what you think before formally joining. If you would would like more information please email me on margms@hotmail.co.uk or call me on 07784395382.

Margaret Stevenson

Artist Studios in El & Hilton Open this

This July artists in Cambridgeshire are opening their stud a variety of artists in their creative spaces and see their v shops, galleries, libraries etc. from June. Further informati

The studios in Elsworth and Hilton listed here will be op-**5pm** 1st & 2nd / 8th & 9th / 15th & 16th / 22nd & 23rd of July.



Sarah Hutchinson | Studio 223 Pastel, watercolour & acrylic 7 The Drift, Elsworth Weekends 2, 3 & 4

Jessica Hutchinson | Studio 223 Gouache & digital painting 7 The Drift, Elsworth Weekends 2, 3 & 4



Ernie Butler | Studio 224 Oil, charcoal drawing & painting 10 Smith Street, Elsworth Weekends 2 & 4



ELSWORTH VILLAGE SHOP NEEDS YOU!

Our village shop has provided a vital service for the past twelve years, and continues to do so, not only for shopping but also as a 'hub' where people stop to chat, catch up on news, check for events on the noticeboard and recover lost and found items.

We depend on our amazing volunteers to keep the shop open and running, but the years have taken their toll, and some have moved away or become too elderly or infirm to work.

This means we frequently need to ask our current team to step up and fill gaps in the rota due to holidays, other commitments or ill-health.

SO - we need to recruit some new talent! Could that be you?

We are looking for people who can give a little time - most do a two-hour shift once a week, but an hour is fine – or someone who we can call on to step into the gap when others are away. You can work on your own, or with a partner or friend.

We would especially welcome anyone who could volunteer for weekend shifts. The shop is open on Saturday and Sunday mornings and our weekend volunteers open the shop, serve from 9-12, then cash up and lock up. The hours are longer, but very rewarding - and it's a great way to get to know EVERYONE if you are new to the village!

Full training is given and there is always support on hand from both management and the committee.

Please consider joining our team – and supporting the shop. Thank you.

sworth July



ios to the public. It is a wonderful opportunity to meet work first hand! Free printed guides will be available in on can be found at www.cambridgeopenstudios.co.uk.

ven to visitors on selected weekends from **10am to** We look forward to seeing you there!



Sherry Rea | Studio 225 Printmaking & painting Carpenters, Broad End, Elsworth Weekends 2 & 4



Lynn Norton | Studio 227 Mixed media, pastel & acrylic 3 Pecks Close, Hilton Weekends I & 2



Nina Sage | Studio 227 Relief printmaking 3 Pecks Close, Hilton Weekends | & 2

The 65th Elsworth and District Show is all set for 3rd September 2023 so please save the date!

Once again, we will be gathering on the sports field with our fabulous produce, art and craft work, baking, eggs and flowers to see who this year's champions are.

So start sowing your seeds, nurturing your plants and plan your creative projects.

Photography themes:

More than one - Up in the air - Celebration - Portals

Floral arrangements:

Arrangement in a coronation mug - Floral crown From the hedgerow

If you would like to have a stall, please contact Sonia 267743







ELSWORTH PRE-SCHOOL



Elsworth Pre-School have been delighted to invite members of the WI to help make sandwiches, bake, read stories and sing rhymes old and new together. They have helped to prepare our feast for King Charles Coronation where parents and families could all come together for a pre-school street party, building our community.

We are hoping to extend our community networks within the village welcoming visitors from all generations to engage in activities at pre-school. We hope that this will support anyone who is experiencing loneliness whilst providing the children with a broad spectrum of experiences and community members. If you would like to get involved with Pre-School please do contact us, we would love to hear from you.



Our children have been learning about what plants need to grow this term. planting sunflowers, beanstalks and much more, nurturing them as they grow. We have also been exploring where our food comes from and were able to begin the term



with a visit from Monarch's Farm. This provided the children with knowledgeable adults who supported the children to have first hand experiences with goats, lambs and shetland ponies as well as having a go at milking, using a model. The children had so many questions and showed their inquisitive nature that we promote at pre-school.

At Forest School we have been mini-beast hunting and exploring the habitats of different insects and why we find them there. We have also been excited to welcome some under 2's to our community Forest School sessions once a term. This is open to the local community, developing a nature connection and play in the great outdoors whilst giving new parents an opportunity to meet others within the village. Our Pre-School children have shown great pride and responsibility in showing the younger children how everything works, developing their caring nature and empathy towards others.

Elsworth Pre-School is always ready to welcome new children as they begin their early years journey. If you would like a visit or would like to speak to us about our Outstanding provision please don't hesitate to get in touch via phone on 01954268050 or email at elsworthpreschool@outlook.com



Elsworth School

Incredible Eggs!

In Emerald and Sapphire classes, our topic is all about Farms and Farming. As part of this topic, we have hatched eggs in school. Farmer David, (organised through The Incredible Egg Company) came into school on Tuesday 18th April to set up an incubator with 5 eggs in.



By Tuesday afternoon, we had heard the chirping coming from within the eggs and some had even started to wobble side to side. Over the course of the next few days all the eggs hatched -the last hatching on Friday 21st April at lunchtime. It was very exciting to see the ducklings slowly chipping away at the egg and finally emerging. When they came out, they looked wet and tired but after a few hours they were fluffy and able to stand.

At a week old, we gave them the opportunity to swim. They all dived in and loved it. At this stage, they were not fully waterproof so could only swim for a short time before needing to be dried off and returned to their brooder.





different classes, who enjoyed visiting, watching and feeding the ducklings at lunchtimes.

Thank you to incredible eggs for this brilliant experience. Thank you to the school for encouraging such wonderful experiences for us.



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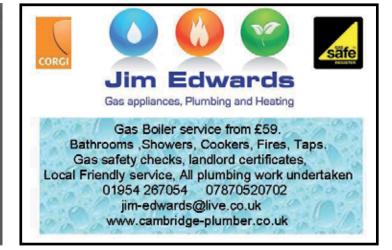
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As part of our coronation celebrations, the School Council organised a competition to create a coronation emblem. The emblems symbolised our morals and beliefs and considered what the children thought that The King would want included on his emblem

What is important to him? - What does he mean to us? - How does he want to rule our country?

The emblems could include words, pictures and be created in paint, pencil or collage.

The children could also choose the best shape for their emblem.

It was important that the emblem be eye-catching.

School Council judged the entries, choosing one from each year group.

Their favourite entries were those that took care and time with the ideas and presentation and included flowers and nature – things important to the children who created the winning entries will enjoy an













