

West Buckland Community News

July 2019

WEST BUCKLAND PRIMARY SCHOOL ANNOUNCES THE OPENING OF ITS NEW NURSERY

We are delighted to announce the opening of our brand new nursery in September 2019.

Initially catering for 3 and 4 year olds, we will offer exceptional care for up to 30 hours per week, 9am – 3pm, Monday to Friday during term times.

If you would like to know more, please contact Mrs Helen MacGregor at the school on 01823 663376 or email westbucklandprimary@educ.somerset.gov.uk.

WEST BUCKLAND PARISH COUNCIL CONSULTATION ON SPENDING COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY (CIL)

Since 2015 West Buckland Parish Council has been given 15% (the neighbourhood proportion) of the CIL collected by Taunton Deane Borough Council, the Charging Authority (CA), as a result of development in the parish.

The monies given to the Parish Council should be spent within five years of receipt. If they are not, or they are used inappropriately, then the CA can recover the monies.

CIL monies can be used to support the development of the local area to fund:

1. the provision, improvement, replacement, operation or maintenance of infrastructure; or
2. anything else that is concerned with addressing the demands that development places on an area.

“Infrastructure” includes physical, social and green infrastructure e.g. Highways; cycleways; education facilities; sports and community halls; parks and play areas.

CIL monies cannot be used for everyday Parish Council expenditure or for spending on items or services which fall outside the Parish Council’s remit.

There is now £4,018.16 CIL money held within the Parish Council’s reserves. To date only £350 has been spent and this was used to purchase a litter bin to be sited on the side of the B3158 on the Wellington edge of the parish.

The Parish Council would like to consult with the local community to decide the local priorities for spending this money. Suggestions so far include more litter bins, refurbishment of fingerpost signs within the parish and new ‘West Buckland’ signs at the entrances to the village.

If you would like to make a suggestion as to how this money should be used please contact the Clerk to the Parish Council. Mrs Jill Larcombe by email westbucklandclerk@gmail.com , phone 01884 252647 or post 6 The Old School, Chapel Street, Tiverton, EX16 6ND by 29th July.

CREAM TEAS IN WEST BUCKLAND CHURCH

Saturday afternoons throughout the summer. Between 3pm and 5pm. Donations are welcome for Church fundraising. Everyone is most welcome.

2019	7 th July	14 th July	21 st July	28 th July
READINGS on pew sheets	OT Isaiah 66. 10-14 NT Galatians 6 (1-6) 7-16 Gospel Luke 10. 1-11. 16-20	OT Deuteronomy 30 9-14 NT Colossians 1. 1-14 Gospel Luke 10 25-37	OT Genesis 18. 1-10a NT Colossians 1. 15-28 Gospel Luke 10 38-42	OT Genesis 18. 20-32 NT Colossians 2. 6-15, (16-19) Gospel Luke 11. 1-13
West Buckland	9am BCP HC	10am Parish Praise	9am HC	10am Morning Worship
Bradford On Tone	10am Morning Worship	10am Morning Worship	10.30am HC	10am Morning Worship
Runnington	10.30am Parish Praise	<i>Join Langford Budville</i>	6pm BCP HC	9.15am joint HC
Langford Budville	10.30am HC	9.15am Joint HC	No service	<i>Join Runnington</i>
Nynehead Court	10.30am Non HC	10.45am HC	No service	10.45am HC

OTHER SERVICE:

July 4th: East Group Midweek BCP HC Service 9.45am, followed by refreshments in village hall with coffee morning group.

Year 6 Celebration Day at St John's Church, on Thursday 11 July: The planning is well underway for another exciting day which will this year include the Year 6 children from both of the larger primary schools in Wellington (Wellesley Park & Beech Grove) as well as our 3 church schools (Langford Budville, Rockwell Green & St John's) amounting to 147 ten & eleven year olds on the day! Five workshops that all the children will take part will be led by ministers and volunteers from Wellington churches. Workshops include music, drama, creative prayer, life skills for moving up and a big inflatable obstacle course. Please do pray for the day, the team and most of all for the children and staff.

The Big Tent 2019 – back in a field near you this summer! The three day holiday club for Primary School-aged children run by the Wellington churches will be back in a large marquee at Wellesley Park Primary School on Tuesday 13, Wednesday 14 and Thursday 15, August running from 10am–3pm each day. We're looking for all kinds of people to join the team. Volunteers aged 14 – 104 can apply! All subject to the usual Safer Recruitment process. For more information please contact Karen Mullen at Wellington Baptist Church office on 01823 663713 or email bigtent@wbchurch.biz or do have a chat with Helena Power. And please do join in praying for this year's Big Tent event.

OPEN THE BOOK

Our 2 primary schools in the East Group, West Buckland and Langford Budville are enjoying 'Open the Book' once a fortnight. We have also just started 'Open the Book' in the wider Wellington Team Benefice at Rockwell Green & Stawley primary schools. They would all like this to continue! For this to happen we need more people to join our friendly team of volunteers for some Wednesdays between 9am and 12.30pm. Refreshment break included. Please contact your vicar Alan for more information. *Rev. Alan Ellacott Tel: 01823 669824 email rev.aellacott1969@btinternet.com*

There is a good explanatory video: at <https://www.biblesociety.org.uk/get-involved/open-the-book/>.

We are collecting clothes for Syrian refugees at St Giles Church Bradford on Tone, to be sent through R.A.F.T (Refugee Aid From Taunton). All types of clothing and blankets welcome, but must be in good condition and clean. June Best.

Information about Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals Contact: Revd. Alan Ellacott
Tel: 01823 669824 email rev.aellacott1969@btinternet.com
Wellington & District Team Ministry website: www.Wellingtonteamchurches.org.uk

TIME TO REFLECT

By the time you read this I may be a Granny! Our first grandchild is due on 30th June. Very exciting! So our holiday month will be up in Scotland, cooing over a newborn. Let's hope he or she looks more like their parents than their grandparents.

I remember when our eldest son was born that he received a little T-shirt that said 'If you think I'm cute, you should see my Dad'. No prizes for guessing who gave it to him!

I wonder who people see when they look at you. I'm not speaking of the familial physiological likeness but rather whether you reflect something of the nature and character of your heavenly Father. Can people look at you and recognise you as part of the Christian family?

It's easy for us to point the finger at others and say they are hypocrites or fail to live up to the high standards of Christian faith. I have to own that as I write this, following President Trump's visit, that I find some of his views far from the Christian ones I espouse. If I allow myself I can get quite heated about the different ways in which people make Christian claims. Living the story of God's love shouldn't be about taking pot shots at others but rather seeking to become more like Christ ourselves. We all fail at that.

I've been doing some reassessment of my life as I realise a new generation is entering our family. It makes you think about what really matters and how you apportion your time. May I encourage you during July, traditionally a holiday month, as you come to the end of school and college programmes, put down the tools of your trade, to take time to reflect on your life. Think about the next phase or chapter and how you might allow God's graces to shape you to become more like Him. What needs to change? How will you make space for that? Are you ready to wear the T-Shirt?

Wishing you God's blessing!

The Rt Revd Ruth Worsley, Bishop Of Taunton

WEST BUCKLAND FRIENDSHIP CLUB

75 members of the West Buckland Friendship Club attended the June monthly meeting when the talented speaker Ray Budd made a welcome return to relate further informative and often humorous stories of his experiences as a Driving Test Examiner, a career that followed his time as a "Black and White Minstrels" performer. Amazingly one club member actually remembered taking her driving test with Ray in Cornwall, and passing!

The very successful day trip to Forde Abbey in May will be followed later this month with a visit to *SS Great Britain* in Bristol and then a river cruise and cream tea on the Exe in July. The September outing will be to the Swan's Neck at Dawlish for a carvery lunch.

Sadly our July speaker had notified the Social Secretary that he would be unable to speak at the August meeting due to ill health. Instead the talk will be from Richard Kay, the Director of Pictures at Lawrences Auctioneers, entertaining us with "Ten Commandments of an Auctioneer". However, the club's next meeting will be on 4th July with a musical talk from John Dando entitled "Trad jazz – Storeyville to Pensford". All are welcome from 9.45am at West Buckland Village Hall.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The July meeting of the Parish Council takes place at the Village Hall on Tuesday, 30th July at 7.30 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend.

POLICE BEAT SURGERY


The next Beat Surgery is between 5.00pm and 5.30pm at the Village Hall on Thursday 11th July.

FOOD BANK

There are Food Boxes in our churches- 'East Group' to put your donations : all donations to Wellington are very welcome and should preferably be received at the URC in Wellington (Mondays and Thursdays 3-4pm) Clare Lucker, M:+44 (0)7979 694 931 clarelucker@yahoo.co.uk


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Presents a
Summer Sizzler!
Concert

West Buckland Church
July 5th - 7pm
Donations in aid of Church Funds
Raffle and Refreshments



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The deadline for next month's edition is, as usual, the 20th of the month preceding.

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