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Editorial

The season of good cheer is with us again and there are plenty of Christmas events in and around the village. There are church services to suit everyone plus a number of concerts in Purbeck. Details are elsewhere in the magazine, so search for the things which suit your approach to Christmas.

The CVN accounts are beginning to look healthier, but we are not out of the woods just yet. If you are the treasurer, or other official, of one of the many societies or organizations which run articles in the magazine please do send in the small amounts we ask you to pay. We depend on you to cover our modest printing costs; so thank you in advance.

Everyone at the Corfe Valley News wishes you all a very happy Christmas and a very prosperous New Year. We would also like to thank everyone who helps us to prepare the magazine, deliver it, and provide contributions. Without you all the Corfe Valley News would not be possible.

Stephen

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CORFE CASTLE PARISH COUNCIL

NOVEMBER AT THE PARISH COUNCIL

During the public half hour Cllr Peter Bowyer from **Studland Parish Council sought support for a proposed vehicle weight and height restriction on the B3351 Studland to Corfe Castle Road**. He said the road cannot accommodate heavy traffic safely and there have been a number of accidents and casualties. Studland Parish Council had previously recommended restrictions on the road but these were never implemented. Peter is concerned about how materials and waste will be transported to a proposed significant development in Studland. The Council cannot support a request for restrictions as if implemented they would divert the heavy traffic through the village of Corfe Castle, through Harmans Cross and through Swanage which would present other hazards. **They would support a speed restriction on the B3351 and a request for improvements to the surface and condition of the road.**

Peter also asked would the PC consider funding **finger post** repairs? There is funding available from the CPRE. Should the Council resolve to help fund the project they would still need willing volunteers from the community to carry out the repairs (please contact the Clerk should you be interested in helping out).

Following up on a previous action, Dorset Councillor Cherry Brooks advised the Council are now being invited to comment on licencing applications online. The Council considered **a licence application at 18A East Street Corfe Castle**. The applicant's intention is to use the premises to make gift hampers that will contain alcohol. Concerns had been raised by Cllr N Dragon regarding the prevention of crime and disorder and he suggested that there should be some additional security if alcohol is to be stored on the premises.

Cllr Brooks reported that the former Purbeck District Council had been advised by David Fairbairn, the former District Solicitor, that planning **officers could start applying the second homes policy which is drafted in the unadopted Purbeck Local Plan**. The application of the policy has recently been appealed successfully by a developer and this is likely to be followed by more appeals. We will not know if the policy is adopted or not until the inspector's report is issued, this is anticipated to be around next Easter.

Cllr Parish asked whether Dorset Council could help with the creation of permissive footpaths, specifically between Woodyhyde Campsite and the village? Cllr Brooks advised that this is the responsibility of the landowner and not that of Dorset Council.

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The Council considered emergency planning. A recent incident on the A351 had resulted in a road closure and a high volume of traffic on both the road around East Creech and the road through Arne. These routes quickly became impassable and the emergency services were unable to get through. This presented serious concerns. There was no criticism of the police's management with the resources that they had but the **Council want to think about how further risk can be reduced with effective planning.**

The Environment Working group presented their draft Action Plan to the Council. Cllr Parish requested each Council member reads through the Action Plan and brings comments and suggestions to the next meeting. The Council will be conducting **carbon footprint and environment audits** within working groups and on bodies that they are representatives on.

The issue of **how holiday homes manage recycling and waste** was discussed. The Council had received a letter from a holiday maker who was disappointed to see there was no recycling collection at their cottage. Waste management is at the discretion of each property owner and the Council want to look how widely holiday homes are recycling.

Further to the Council highlighting second homes in their action plan meeting in July, Cllr Clarke composed a paper **outlining the issues presented to the parish by second home ownership** and making suggestions of how to create a system which would reduce the number, and impact, of second homes in the area. One option is whether legislation should be promoted to give discretionary powers to the local authority to restrict the purchase of second homes once a threshold percentage of second homes in a village/town/parish have been reached. Another option is a surcharge on Council Tax together with the removal of business rate relief for second homes.

The Council support discussion of the paper in more detail at a future meeting. **Please do read the paper** which you can find on our website **www.corfecastleparishcouncil.org.uk** and let us know your views by the end of January 2020. The Council will debate this issue again at its February 10th meeting,

On **planning matters** the Council had no objection to renovation of cottage and barns as a single dwelling with single storey link extensions at Old Dairy Cottage, Woolgarston Road, Corfe Castle, to replacement windows and doors to an annexe at Roffy House Little Woolgarston Road, Woolgarston, to change of use from independent self-contained holiday accommodation to private dwelling house within the meaning of Class C3 at , Chapel

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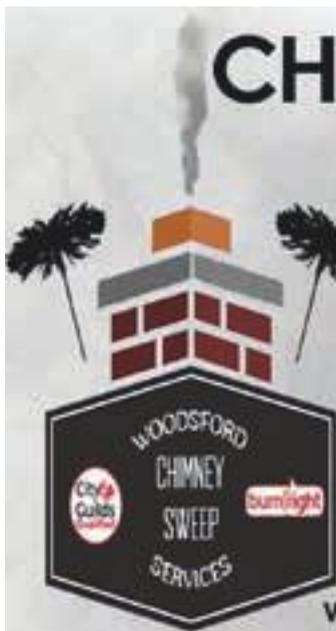
Cottage, Kingston Hill, to replace existing front door & frame at 41 West Street, Corfe Castle, to repairs to roof and to insert a rooflight at Cromwell Cottage, Sandy Hill Lane, to internal alterations to revert 48 East Street Corfe Castle to a single dwelling house and to reinstate partition with adjoining property, create aperture for boiler flue, install shower in airing cupboard void and re-instate internal stud wall on first floor at 48 East Street Corfe Castle.

Please do **check the Parish Council website** where we are putting links to the presentation from the Environment Group Meetings as well as other useful links www.corfecastlepc.org.uk

(phone 01929 426125)(e-mail CorfeCastlePC@aol.com) – 41 Bell Street, Swanage, Dorset, BH19 2RY. The Parish Council meets on the second Monday of each month at 7pm in the Town Hall, West Street*. Have your say at the start of the meeting, speak to any parish councillor, or write to me. Full minutes of the meetings are available in Corfe Castle library or on the Website (www.corfecastlepc.org.uk). [*Sometimes elsewhere.]

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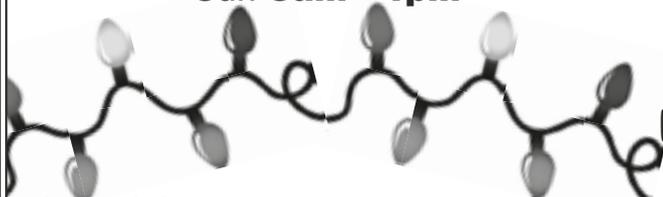
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NEWS FROM CHURCH KNOWLE PARISH COUNCIL

It was off to Furzebrook village hall for the November meeting of the Parish Council. All Members attended along with our Dorset councillor.

The Meeting began with news of the sad death of Les Bugler, one of the longest-serving Parish Councillors, who retired in September due to ill health. Les contributed so much to the Parish during his life and will be fondly remembered in particular for the never-ending work he did to maintain the Church Knowle playground and playing field used by generations of youngsters not only from the Parish but from all over the country when visiting our myriad of camping sites during their Purbeck holidays; not forgetting those whose parents were no doubt visiting the pub across the road. Yes, Les will be very sadly missed. The Council stood for some time before the main meeting in his remembrance and the Chairman thanked him wherever his soul may be. By the time our reader receives CVN, Les' funeral will be past. It was to be held at Poole at 11.00am on 29th November.

Following the information given about Les, the main Council meeting began. Declarations of interest were made as a neighbour regarding a planning application (No 6/2019/0427) and as it was not a pecuniary one, the Clerk advised there was no need for the Councillor concerned to leave the building during discussion.

During Public Discussion, the Council heard about the poor health of another past Member who was now recovering. The Council wished him well.

Cllr Tony Higgens agreed to continue as Chairman for another month but also suggested a Vice-chairman be appointed as there was a likelihood he may not be able to attend the "Mince Pie" meeting in December. Cllr Parker was duly elected Vice-chairman.

Following the approval of the October Minutes and Matters Arising, which included updates on pot hole and other road repairs in the Parish, planning application No6/2019/0427 was discussed. The declaration of interest made by one of the Councillors whose property is close to Pine Trees Farm was repeated. The application was a bit complicated because most of the property is outwith the Parish (being in Arne) but as a small part was in CK Parish it had to be discussed. The Council decided it had no grounds for objection but as the building could be viewed from the Purbeck Way footpath this matter should be considered by the Dorset Council planners. There was a tree works application (TWA 2019/221) relating to work proposed at Long Ground Cottages, Church Knowle. Following a report from the Parish Council's tree officer, and subsequent discussion, it was unanimously decided that the Parish Council had no objection to the work proposed.

Next came reports of possible unlawful use of caravans at Creech Bottom and Chiplake Camping site. It was decided that caravans being used as

permanent homes were "popping up" everywhere in Purbeck and discussion involved the unaffordability of "affordable homes" which have resulted in people having to live in caravans. Cllr Brooks of Dorset Council enlightened the Council on the current planning legislation regarding caravans which was noted.

Cllr Brooks went on to report on the possibility of a 30mph speed limit for Church Knowle village and East Creech hamlet. Unfortunately, the likelihood of speed limits had diminished following analysis by the traffic engineers of the results of speed surveys and there was, therefore, insufficient evidence to make a speed restriction order. Councillors expressed their disappointment that vehicles could continue to fly through the villages and hamlets of the Parish at 60mph. But, there's always the possibility of trying again.

The Clerk gave the bad news that the cost of running the street lamp in Church Knowle will substantially increase due to SSE changing the terms of the new contract for electricity supply. The Clerk would look at all options, including "green" ones using LEDs and even solar powered methods of supplying power

The Parish Council discussed the re-routing of the public footpath at Charmswell such that the line of the path no longer goes so close to the house. The proposed route would still require negotiating a precipitous bank and an easier route using a permissive footpath across a field was discussed. However members decided in the interim that the proposed re-routing was seriously sensible and had no objections.

The Council is to formally write to DWT to find out what their plans are regarding the Corfe River and coppicing at East Creech so that they can be discussed at the December meeting.

The Parish finances were reported on and found to be in good order and bills were paid.

The storage of the Council archives were discussed again and it was decided to put the supply of the storage unit out to tender once a full specification was drawn up. The playground tree and bench discussed at the last meeting was postponed for further discussion till January 2020.

Due to the sad death of Les Bugler, maintenance of the playground and playing field will have to be discussed. It was suggested that the cemetery gardener would be approached. And that was that for November. Next meeting – 10th Dec at Furzebrook village hall.

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Saturday 14 December – Tina Turner Tribute and dinner

Saturday 21 December - Bruno Mars Tribute and dinner

Saturday 28 December – Big Joe Bones, playing an exciting eclectic set with foot stomping instruments

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Holidays are fast approaching and with this in mind, please remember to allow extra time between ordering and collecting your medication during the busy weeks before Christmas and whilst we are closed for the bank holidays.

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Seasons Greeting From All Your Surgery Team



Patient Participation Group

Health Talks. We were delighted that the upper room at the Corfe Castle Club was nicely full for our most recent talk – despite it being on Halloween night! Thank you to all of you who came to hear Mr Tim Hillard, consultant gynaecologist and obstetrician from Poole Hospital, talk about the menopause. He covered all its aspects, including the short- and long-term use of HRT and the risks of osteoporosis, in a clear, and sometimes entertaining, way.

PLEASE JOIN US for the last talk of this year which is on THURSDAY 5TH DECEMBER at 7.0 p.m. at the Corfe Castle Club. Professor Howard Thomas, a retired consultant liver specialist and a member of our PPG, is kindly going to talk on 'LOOKING AFTER YOUR LIVER'. It may be particularly relevant in the run-up to Christmas but his advice will be helpful for us the whole year round.

The Purbeck Leg Club. An Update. As you know we have been supporting Tina Sturgeon, our Practice Manager, in the setting up of the club in Wareham. The six GP practices involved are working increasingly closely together on this initiative. Every week more people with problems like leg ulcers are being treated there in a social setting and we're pleased that gradually more volunteers are coming forward to lend a hand in various ways. Many thanks to them.

Carers' Time. Just to make it clear in case there is any possible confusion, our PPG carers' support group is called Carers' Time and is supported by Corfe surgery. It holds a coffee morning from 10.0 till 12.0 on the 4th Thursday of every month in the Hub Room at the Village Hall. If you are a carer and haven't yet given us a try, do please consider coming. You can be sure of a very friendly welcome.

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Carols in the castle

Get into the festive spirit by joining us and a local choir for festive songs in the castle. See website for details.



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This winter, contractors working on behalf of the National Trust will be carrying out drainage works to improve access along a popular right of way on the western part of Corfe Common. Currently the section of the bridleway at the picturesque Copper Bridge, linking the Church Knowle road with the A351 south of Corfe Castle, becomes impassable after periods of heavy rain during late Autumn through to the

Spring.

This is due to a combination of the underlying clay, which causes the ground to become waterlogged, and the passage of people and grazing animals leading to erosion of the slope. The work, which has been consented by Natural England, will involve a pipe being laid within a trench in the ground

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If you have any facts, jokes or games please contact corfevalleynews@tiscali.co.uk with your name and age.

by Lamorna Lacey
(aged 10)



Jo Kemp spoke to November's meeting on the topic "Filling Bellies not Bins", and what a thought provoking session it proved to be. Her introductory food statistics, among them the 10 million tons of food wasted every year, of which 70% could be avoided, amazed us. The cost equates to £540 per household annually and one of the highest wastage occurs in bagged salad!

The developed Western World countries have twice the food required for their populations and 1 billion hungry people could be fed on a quarter of what they waste. Meat production does more environmental harm than deforestation.

Jo has been instrumental in setting "Second Helpings" in Stamford - not an area we might think of as needing such a cafe - which uses surplus food donated by supermarkets etc, to create and prepare nutritious meals for all comers.

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Perhaps we could set up something similar here.

Dates for your diary:

3rd December Christmas Fun and Wareham Handbells.

7th January Charity Presentations and Headdresses.

January 18th Medieval Banquet

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regular weekly events:

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| Monday evenings | Double Act |
| Tuesday mornings | Toddlers |
| Tuesday afternoons | Diabetes Prevention |
| Tuesday evenings | Brownies |
| Tuesday evenings | Dance (Latin & Ballroom) |
| Tuesday evenings | Badminton |
| Wednesday mornings | Wool Workshop |
| Wednesday evenings | Youth Club |
| Wednesday evenings | Pilates |
| Friday mornings | Pilates |
| Friday evenings | Beavers |
| Thursday evenings | Bingo |
| 1st Saturday morning | CCVH coffee morning |
| 1st Sunday all day | Antiques Fair |
| 1st Tuesday afternoon | Aquarius |
| 2nd Thursday afternoon | Carpet Bowls |
| 4th Thursday morning | Corfe Castle Carers |

regular fortnightly event:

regular monthly events:

Exciting Artsreach news for the New Year

The multi-talented dancing, joking, singing string quartet **Bowjangles** who last visited us back in 2013 are bringing us their "Excalibow" show on Saturday January 11th (see advert elsewhere in the CVN).

Then on Saturday February 29th the innovative actors from **Scratchworks** Theatre are putting on their "Womans (like Romans but with a W)" show. More details in January's CVN.

For both these groups we are looking for volunteers who have a spare room and could provide a bed (and a bite of breakfast) for some of the performers after the show. It is a great opportunity to get to know them, and you also get to see the show for free! Contact David on 07590 352219 for more details.

Planning a party or a family gathering?

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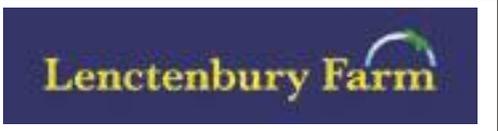
The Festive season has arrived and it's the time of the year when The Castle comes into its own. The lights and decorations are up and we really are a pub waiting to celebrate!

We still have spaces for Christmas parties so if you are a group of between 10 and 40 people you could have a fantastic celebration with succulent meal from only £16.95 per person ... They were so popular last year Laurice has decided to offer the Christmas Hampers again. Every member of the group gets a free raffle ticket and during the meal someone wins a fantastic Hamper to take home.

The Festive Diary

- Tues. 24th December ... Christmas eve suppers. (Please book, limited space)
- Wed. 25th December ... Closed for family celebrations
- Thurs 26th December ... Boxing Day lunches served from 12.00 until 6.00pm.
- Fri. 27th December ... Fish suppers ... as local and fresh as we can get.
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1	December	Sunday	10 am – 4 pm
1	December	Sunday	6.00 pm
4	December	Wednesday	7.30 pm
5	December	Thursday	
5	December	Thursday	7 pm
7	December	Saturday	10 am
7	December	Saturday	7.30 pm
9	December	Monday	7 pm
10	December	Tuesday	7.30 pm
10	December	Tuesday	7.30 pm
13	December	Friday	2 pm
14	December	Saturday	10 am – noon
27	December	Friday	7.30 pm

CALENDAR for DECEMBER 2019

Antiques Fair	Corfe Castle Village Hall
Advent	St James's Church, Kingston
Langton Arthouse Cinema "Kursk"	Langton Matravers Village Hall
Gardening Club Christmas Meal	The Castle Inn, Corfe Castle
Health Talk "Looking after your liver"	Corfe Castle Club
Coffee Morning	Corfe Castle Village Hall
Purbeck Arts Choir "Choral Greats"	St Mary's Church, Swanage
Corfe Castle Parish Council Meeting	Corfe Castle Town Hall
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If you know about any forthcoming events please let us know.

Similarly please tell us if any of the regular dates are wrong or if there is a regular event which should be included

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11	January	Saturday	7.30 pm	Bowjangles	Corfe Castle Village Hall

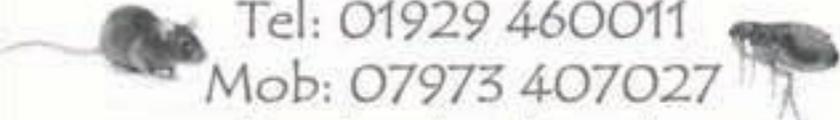


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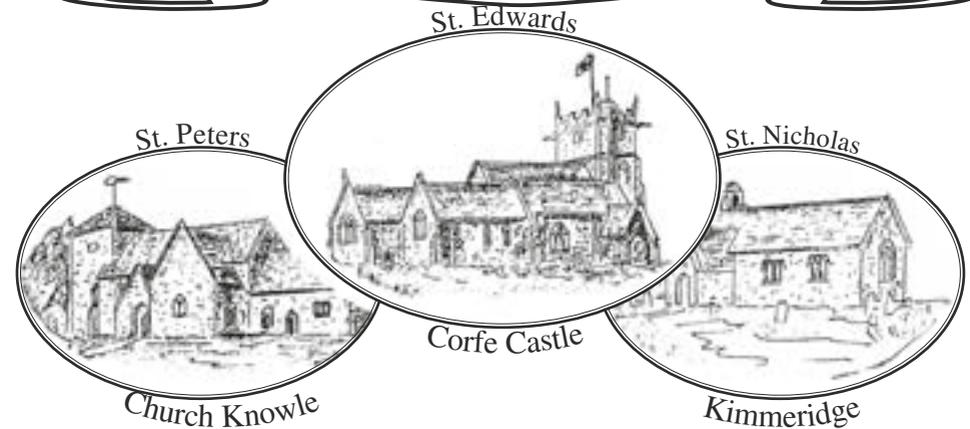
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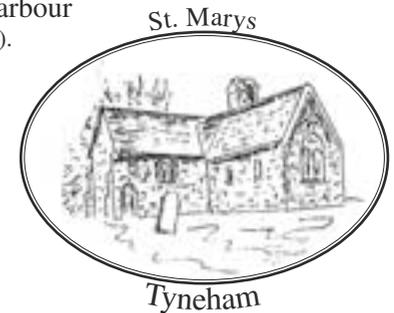
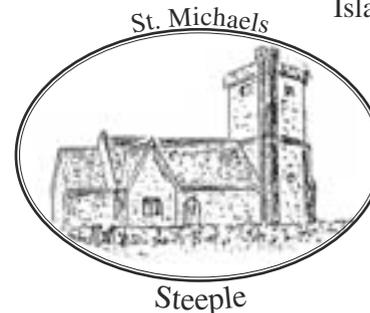
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Briefly, he believed that ‘*the theory of everything*’ demonstrated time winding back and back and back until the Big Bang which was the beginning of the universe, proving that time was a finite scientific entity and there was thus no need for a creator God who must, therefore, be merely a human fantasy. But later he found that if, in scientific and mathematical terms, you wound time in the other direction, it became infinite – with no beginning and no end – which, necessarily, brought a creator God once more into the equation.

It is a film not to miss for all sorts of reasons: the subject matter is fascinating, the story of Stephen’s life is moving, and the acting of Eddie Redmayne is sublime. But it is what it reveals about God that makes it mind-blowing.

Because the Bible talks about God in personal terms, we tend to forget that God is **not human**. He is **other**. He is not confined within the constraints of a body. He communicates with us in a personal way, but he is not a person like us – he is Spirit, or perhaps Pure Mind. He is all-powerful, all-knowing, and ever-present. Ancient Judaism understood this very well: to make an image of God was punishable by death.

However, nearly two thousand and twenty years ago, the one and only true and living God, infinite and everlasting, without at the same time moving out of heaven, entered into human history as a helpless baby and subjected himself to the limitations of bodily existence. It was an event of the greatest possible significance, the most important thing that has ever happened in the whole of this planet’s existence. The baby grew to adulthood and became the man who influenced the development of humanity as no-one before, or since. Before his advent Might was Right, life was cheap, and he who was cruellest and hit hardest won riches and esteem. After his death, Love God with all

your strength and Love your Neighbour as Yourself made its gentle way into human consciousness - and the world began to change.

On December 25th we celebrate the birth of this baby, who was named Jesus and called the Son of God.

Like many Christians I regret the remorseless commercialism that now surrounds the birthday of Jesus. It is a pity that the emphasis seems to be on a fat man in a red coat called Santa. You do sometimes find a nativity scene in shops, but not often. However, despite Jingle Bells belting out in the stores in September, think how much better it is to have a time of so much loving and giving once a year, than doom and gloom at the state of the political scene and global warming all the year round. It is a time to heal disputes, an opportunity for those who have to give to those who have not, and an occasion to bring families together to celebrate and rejoice with each other in a way that doesn’t happen at any other time of the year.

But amongst the feasting and giving of presents, we do need to remember what it is we are celebrating: the creator life-force behind and within the whole of existence arrived on Earth in the form of a human baby, a member of humanity, one of us. It is very difficult to put such an extraordinary event into words. The Bible tells us God *spoke* the universe into existence; the church calls the birth of Jesus ‘the *Word* made flesh’. However you say it, the fact remains that the whatever-or-whoever-it-is we call God joined the human race for thirty-three years – and Christmas is when we celebrate with thanksgiving his human birth.

With love, Anne

Corfe Valley Church Services - December 2019

Sunday 1st December

10.30 Corfe Castle

3pm Corfe Castle

6pm Kingston

Sunday 8th December

8.00 Corfe Castle

10.30 Steeple

103.0 Corfe Castle

Sunday 15th December

8.00 Langton Matravers

1st Sunday of Advent

Valley Parishes Communion with the Bishop of Sherborne

1st Sunday in School: Informal Worship & Tea in the School Hall

Advent Service

2nd Sunday of Advent

Holy Communion (BCP)

Family Communion (BCP)

Matins

3rd Sunday of Advent

Holy Communion

10.30 Corfe Castle
4pm Church Knowle

Parish Communion
The Carol Service

Saturday 21st December

4.30pm Langton

Service of Readings and Carols for
Christmas

Sunday 22nd December

8.00 Corfe Castle
10.30 Corfe Castle

4th Sunday of Advent
Holy Communion (BCP)
Carol Service

Christmas Eve

4pm Corfe Castle
6pm Kimmeridge
11.30pm Corfe Castle

The Christingle Service
Family Service: Lessons and Carols
Midnight Communion

Christmas Day

9.00 Steeple
11.00 Corfe Castle

Family Communion (BCP)
Family Service

Sunday 29th December

10.30 Church Knowle

1st Sunday of Christmas
Valley Parishes Communion

Sunday 5th January

10.30 Corfe Castle
3pm Corfe Castle

Epiphany
Valley Parishes Communion
1st Sunday in School: Informal
Worship & Tea in the School Hall

Scripture Readings - December 2019

Sunday December 1st

1st Sunday of Advent
Romans 13: 11 – 14
Matthew 24: 36 – 44

Sunday 8th December

2nd Sunday of Advent
Romans 15: 4 – 13
Matthew 3: 1 – 12

Sunday 15th December

3rd Sunday of Advent
James 5: 7 – 10
Matthew 11: 2 – 11

Sunday 22nd December

4th Sunday of Advent

Romans 1: 1 – 7
Matthew 1: 18 – 25

Christmas 'Midnight' and Christmas Day

Hebrews 1: 1 – 4
John 1: 1 – 14

Sunday December 29th

1st Sunday of Christmas

Hebrews 2: 10 – 18
Matthew 2: 13 – 23

Sunday 5th January

Epiphany

Ephesians 3: 1 – 12
Matthew 2: 1 – 12

Christmas Services

These are listed in the service list for the month and follow the pattern of recent years. Please note there is not now a 'midnight' service at Church Knowle. The Sunday after Christmas, December 29th, there will be a service at 10.30am – our usual Valley Parishes Communion for when there is a fifth Sunday in the month.

Kingston Advent Service

What comes before Christmas? Advent! Advent Service 1st December 6.0pm St James's Kingston. Advent is a season observed as a time of expectant waiting and preparation for the celebration of the Nativity of Jesus at Christmas! So take a moment to stop and pause, admire the glory of St James's Kingston, enjoy some traditional carols, and listen to the timeless scripture.....and partake in some mulled wine and mince pies at the end!

Contact Details for the Corfe Valley Churches

Rev Ian Jackson 480257 Associate Priest Rev Anne Bond 480249

Church Wardens

Corfe Castle: Penelope Smith 480109 John Lindsay 481498

Church Knowle, Kimmeridge, & Steeple Contact Ian Jackson

Visit St Edwards Website - <http://stedwardscorfecastle.co.uk/>



Advent at Kingston St James's Church Sunday 1st December 6.0pm

A service of music, readings and hymns,
followed by mulled wine and mince pies.

Do join us!



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OR
WWW.FURZEBROOKHALL.ORG
Email FurzebrookHall@outlook.com

REGULAR EVENTS

MONDAY

- **Ballet** – Miranda Hindson - Tel 07919441836
or Milballet@gmail.com
- **Short Mat Bowls** @ 14.00

TUESDAY

- **Whist Drive** – Eileen Cake 01929 552393 (alternate Tuesdays
@ 7.30pm)
- **Short Mat Bowls** @ 14.00

WEDNESDAY

- **Say So Drama** – 10.30 – 12.00 with Emma for adults with
learning disabilities – 07725 942609
- **Yoga** – Pam Steele - Tel 01929 556714
or pamsteeleyoga@googlemail.com
- **Ballet** – Miranda Hindson - Tel 07919441836
or Milballet@gmail.com

THURSDAY

- **Health Qigong**– Penny Youssef - Tel 07969925502
or pennyyoussef1@gmail.com

FRIDAY

- **Short Mat Bowls** –@ 14.00
- **Zhineng Qigong**- Penny Youssef - Tel 07969 925502
or pennyyoussef1@gmail.com

SUNDAY

- **Purbeck Antiques Collectors Fayre** – (Last Sunday of each
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"Why do we celebrate Christmas?"

For many people the Christmas season is the most favourite time of the year and comes with so many fun traditions that we love to take part in, from spending more time with family, the gifts that we share, the decorations we hang, the food we enjoy. It's a time filled with emotion. For many people it's like the song says, 'It's the most wonderful time of the year.'

But for other people it's the most difficult time of the year, it can be a time of sorrow. People don't have the extra money to buy presents for their children, family and friends. It can also be a time when people can feel particularly lonely. For those that have lost loved ones it's a really hard time because it's a time when they are used to being together and they remember Christmases from years gone by and it makes it particularly hard for them.

So how do we juggle Jesus amidst all the hustle and bustle and keep the real meaning of Christmas alive?

Christians the world over celebrate Christmas in honour of the birth of Jesus Christ in Bethlehem. The angel who appeared to the shepherds the night of Jesus' birth said, "I bring you good news that will cause great joy for all the people. Today in the town of David a Saviour has been born to you; He is the Messiah, the Lord.

We celebrate Christmas because, as the angel said, the birth of Jesus Christ is "good news." Good news is meant to be celebrated. In fact, the angel said the news of Jesus' birth would cause "great joy" and would be "for all the people"—the joyful celebration would be universal.

We celebrate Christmas because, as the angel said, "A Saviour has been born to you; He is the Messiah, the Lord."

We celebrate Christmas with gift-giving because of the "incredible gift" that God gave to us.

We celebrate Christmas by stringing lights because the Light of the world has come to us.

We celebrate Christmas by decorating evergreen trees with stars and angels and tinsel because of the Eternal life Jesus brings—and stars and angels and beauty were all associated with Jesus' birth.

That's what Christmas is all about—God coming down to rescue us, the only hope for life after Christmas is over.

'For to us a child is born, to us a son is given, and the government will be on his shoulders. And he will be called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace'. Isaiah 9:6

Celia Taylor (Church Secretary)
Fr_ee2talk@yahoo.co.uk
Mob. 07908807115

We meet each Sunday morning for our Sunday service. You would be most welcome to join us.

**Each Tuesday at 10.00am – 12 noon
Coffee Morning**

**Sunday 22nd December
Lessons and Carols**

**WE WISH YOU ALL, OUR WARMEST THOUGHTS AND BEST WISHES FOR A
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**Christmas
Carol Service
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Notices and Thanks

Corfe Castle Gardening Club

Now is the winter of our – hurrying to get the ground dug and covered with compost to recover its strength; rushing to get the tender plants and bushes covered against attack by sneaky frosts; take the vulnerable patio pots into shelter; select the wine for mulling and, perhaps belatedly, drop huge unsubtle hints about the garden tools / books/ loungers that you want Santa to bring.

November's meeting was an interesting but low key evening. Disappointingly few of our members came to share their tips or ask their questions. For the dozen who did brave the cold wind the reward was Mike Glover's compendium of tips, hints, serving suggestions and even purchase sources for vegetable growers. Deborah Stoker then shared with us what she had learned on a RHS course on propagation, very useful. Then general and specific questions were met with suggestions out of others' experience.

5th of December members gather for Christmas dinner at The Castle Inn and I'm sure a merry time will be had by all.

Our next meeting will be on February 6th 2020 in the Corfe Castle Club at 8pm. It is the AGM, but don't let that put you off!! It will probably be the shortest AGM you will ever attend - to be quickly followed by a fun quiz or similar activity.

On behalf of your Committee I end with the traditional, but no less sincere for that, wish, that you and yours will enjoy a joyous and peace filled Christmas and a happy New Year.

David

Harman's Cross Movie Night

On Tuesday 10 December we're showing Rocketman at 7.30 in Harman's Cross Village Hall. This biopic was first mooted around a decade ago and has finally made it to screen. We see young Reginald Dwight turn into Elton John whilst collaborating with singer-songwriter Bernie Taupin to become one of the most iconic figures in the world of pop. Set to his most beloved songs, it's the story of his transformation from shy piano prodigy to international superstar. From his early years growing up in Pinner through the glory days of the 70s, the astronomic record-sales, the coke and booze, the misjudged straight marriage

and perhaps equally misjudged purchase of Watford FC, we're taken through a roller-coaster ride of life choices that took him to a rock-bottom point of rehab. This film is a heart-racing, toe-tapping, all-glitter-cannons-blazing triumph. Tickets £5 on the door, which will open, along with the bar, at 7pm.

Langton Arthouse Cinema

In January we're screening 3 Faces on Wednesday 1 at 7.30 in Langton Matravers' Village Hall. For those of you who joined us to see Taxi Tehran we have another offering from Jafar Panahi Although currently restricted by a 20 year ban on film-making, 3 Faces is the fourth unauthorised film that Panahi has made since the ban – he risks a six-year prison sentence each time he breaks it. The film begins when actress Behnaz Jafari comes across a young girl's video plea for help after her family prevents her from taking up her studies at the Tehran drama conservatory. Behnaz abandons her shoot and turns to Panahi to help with the young girl's troubles. They use a road trip to the mountain region in the northwest of Iran to interrogate both his country's uneasy relationship with its cinema tradition and its enduringly patriarchal attitudes. But there's humour here too. We meet a granny who has taken up residence in her pre-bought grave and other colourful characters. In Persian with English subtitles. Tickets £5 on the door, which will open at 7pm. Glasses will be supplied should you wish to bring your own drink with you. If you would like to see trailers for this and future films visit www.LangtonArthouseCinema.co.uk.

Corfe Castle Youth Club

**Youth Club runs in the Village Hall Term time Wednesdays
Ages 11-13 6.30 - 8 & seniors 6.30 - 9**

Cost-£1.00 per session

Trained Staff - Donna & Gabriella

Craft, sports, quizzes and much more! (including penny sweets!)
Part funded by Corfe Castle Parish Council

With support from The Village Hall & under the umbrella of
Purbeck Youth & Community Foundation.

Probus Club of Corfe Castle

The Probus club of Corfe Castle meets at Mortons house hotel on the third Thursday of every month. The Christmas lunch is in December. For more information contact the Secretary Stan Layton on 01929 480038

'Climate Change Community Successes'

This will be new feature in the CVN celebrating ways in which our community have reduced their carbon footprint. So, if you've switched electricity supplier to a renewable provider, changed your light bulbs to an eco-alternative or splashed out on a new electric car, we'd love to hear from you! Please email: corfecastlepc@aol.com

AGE UK DORCHESTER ...would WELCOME your ADVICE!



Age UK Dorchester has need of a volunteer to join its **Advocacy** team on a **Friday**, to provide information and advice to older people.

Advocacy is identifying with and representing a person's views and concerns, and respects people's rights to control their own lives and make their own choices. Its emphasis is on empowering people; not solving their problems for them. This may include enabling individuals to write letters or make phone calls and/or representing their wishes or negotiating with an outside agency.

If you would like to help:

Please contact Peter Lindsley on 01305 269444,
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Rowan Cottage, 4 Prince of Wales Road, Dorchester DT1 1PW

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Peter Pope

Marie and family would like to thank all relatives and friends for their thoughtful and kind words of condolence following the loss of a loving husband, father, grandfather and friend to all.

Special thanks to the Reverend Ian Jackson for a lovely personal service, also to Malcolm and the staff at James Smith Funeral Directors for their support and understanding.

Grateful thanks to all the Health Care professionals who have looked after Peter over the years and to all who gave generously to Sidmouth Donkey Sanctuary.

CORFE CASTLE FC

Corfe castle fc is looking for help on the gate taking entrance fees And to run the tuck shop? Do you have time on Saturday afternoons? Enjoy watching a match or can help? If so please contact the secretary on 01929 481380

The Purbeck Mummers are Back

Purbeck Mummers will again be out and about in Corfe Castle on Boxing Day performing their 200 year old traditional Christmas time play. This depicts the battle of good over evil or looking at it another way the is depicts the end of the year and and the beginning of the New Year.

Look out for us:

12 Midday Corfe Castle Square

12.30pm The Fox Inn

1.00pm Bankes Arms

1.30pm Castle Inn

2.15pm Square and Compass Worth Matravers

Times are very aproxible apart the first time.

During our play we will be collecting for a local charity

For more dates please check our web site:

www.wareham-tc.gov.uk/mummers/mummers_pages/schedule.htm



DROP IN TIMES

Mill Lane, WAREHAM	Monday	12.00 – 2.00
	Tuesday	12.00 – 2.00
	Thursday	12.00 – 2.00

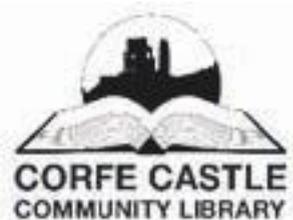
Town Hall, SWANAGE	Monday	10.15 – 2.00
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03444 111 444**

**FOR SELF HELP AND EMAIL ADVICE
www.purbeckadvice.org.uk**

OTHER SERVICES

Homelessness Prevention Adviser	Wednesday at Wareham Appointments by arrangement	01929 550328
Energy Best Deal		01929 775500
Wessex Water (help with bills)	Appointments by arrangement	01929 550328



TEEN READING GROUP

ages 13-18

Meeting Fortnightly

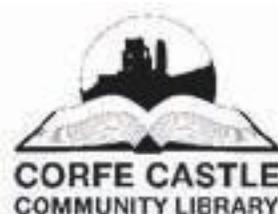
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Monday 6th January 6PM

at

Corfe Castle Library

contact: martynw Jessop@gmail.com



Presents a Talk by
Simon Goldsack
Holme for Gardens
Past, Present & Future
Friday, 13th December 2019, 2 pm



Christmas Celebrations
In the Library
Everybody welcome.

Saturday 14th December 2019, 10-12



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Opening Times:

Monday 2.30 – 4.30 pm

Wednesday: 11.00 am – 12.00 noon & 3.00 – 5.00 pm

Saturday 10.00 am -- 12.00 noon

The Etches Collection Museum of Jurassic Marine Life



We are open throughout the Christmas and New Year period except for 24th, 25th and 26th December.

KIMMERIDGE BAY TOURS ARE BACK!

Please see below the dates for our popular fieldtrips in December!

Sunday 15th December at 2:30pm

Sunday 29th December at 2:30pm

Tickets need to be purchased in advance. You can do this over by calling us on 01929 270000. Alternatively, if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

VOLUNTEER NEWS!

The Etches Collection is delighted to announce that our Volunteer, George Raggett, has won one of the Dorset Museum Associations, Volunteer of The Year Awards!

We would like to say a big thank you to all our Volunteers for their continued efforts in helping and supporting The Etches Collection.

If you are interested in volunteering here at The Etches Collection, please get in contact by either phone (01929 270000) or email (info@theetchescollection.org) for more details.

EXHIBITS & ACTIVITIES

The museum is thrilled to see the amazing new app, **PALAEOGO** being used by all our visitors! PalaeoGo was developed by Bournemouth University. Come to the museum, borrow an iPad or use your own phone and see prehistoric creatures brought back to life using augmented reality!

IN OUR DISCOVERY ROOM

Geologist information – What is a Geologist? – Notebooks, Geological Hammer, Compass-Clinometer, Hand Lens, Ordinance Survey (OS) Map and Grain size chart. All information about what a Geologist is and what you would need when doing fieldwork.

How to be a rocking Geologist – A hands-on display that will explain the basics of Geology. Pick up a worksheet to complete using the display!

How to dress like a Geologist – Take a look at what Steve wears and why each item is important when he is out collecting more specimens!

Geologist Selfies – Take a walk into our dressing up area! Using the information about 'How to dress like a Geologist' you can now do the same!
(tweet us your Geologist Selfies - @etchescollect)

You can also pick up leaflets to take away & learn more about Geology and fossil hunting!

****Please note that the use of hammers is not permitted down on Kimmeridge Bay****

Mesozoic Murder Mystery – Match up the teeth with the bite marks & help Ammo the Ammonite solve the mystery? Open the draws on the cabinet for clues!

UPSTAIRS ON THE LANDING

Information on Kimmeridge Bay Cliffs – There is also a wonderful display showing the levels of stone that you will find down in Kimmeridge Bay &

Mystery Box – Guess what's inside our mystery box and see if you are correct!

Activities onsite;

Fossil Friday, Fossil Mould Painting
Lucky Dip, Fossil Excavation Pit

Take a closer look at our handling collection under the microscope.

Mystery Box – Guess what's inside our mystery box and see if you are correct!

The Etches Collection Shop

Are you looking for the perfect gift or souvenir for any Fossil and Dinosaur enthusiast this Christmas? Then look no further, browse our online shop for;

Genuine fossils, Scientific Fossil Replicas
Fossil Hunting Kits
Megalodon Shark & T Rex Teeth
Jurassic Themed Gifts
Dinosaur Themed Hats/T Shirts
Homeware products, and much much more!

Don't forget to visit our online shop at www.theetchescollectionshop.org to view all our wonderful shop items online!

We serve hot & cold drinks onsite with snacks including, crisps, biscuits, chocolates and not forgetting the award-winning Purbeck Ice Cream!!

If you require any more information, please visit our new website on;

www.theetchescollection.org

Facebook, Twitter, Or phone us on 01929 270000.

Sing Bach & Mozart With The Purbeck Arts Choir This Autumn

The Purbeck Arts Choir is delighted to welcome **David Fawcett** as our new Musical Director. We are a friendly non-auditioned choir, presently numbering around 60 singers in all voice parts (SATB). For his first concert with us David has chosen music by two of the greatest composers of choral music – Bach and Mozart, reflecting his intention that the choral greats of the last four centuries should form the backbone of our repertoire.

Information about the choir, a rehearsal schedule and the pieces we will be singing in December are all on our website:

www.purbeckartschoir.org.uk. Enquiries to David - david.fawcett@rocketmail.com.

Purbeck Arts Choir Sing The "Choral Greats"

Saturday 7th December, 7.30pm, St Mary's Church, Swanage

The Purbeck Arts Choir and Purbeck Chamber Orchestra, with Musical Director David Fawcett, have an Advent-themed programme with a wonderful selection of music from two of the "Choral Greats" - Bach and Mozart. The choir will be singing two fabulous choral pieces - "Sleepers, Wake" (also known as Watchet, Auf) by JS Bach and Mozart's Piccolomini Mass and Alma Dei Creatoris.

The concert is in support of our local Swanage Coastwatch and tickets will be £12 on the door with students and accompanied children free of charge. Advance tickets for only £10 will be available from Corbens or by phoning 01929 481419. Please also call in advance if you have any accessibility issues for seating.

Full details of the programme and information about the choir are available on the website - purbeckartschoir.org.uk

Purbeck Arts Choir currently numbers around 60 singers; there are no auditions. The choir is led by Jay Buckle.

Liz Roberts
01929 481419

Keep Warm for Less in Dorset



Do you live in Dorset and have a household member with a disability or health problems?

Citizens Advice can help you to:

Use your heating system and controls in the home to save money.

Look at ways to reduce your energy costs.

See if you are eligible for extra income.

Consider options if you are behind with your bill or struggling to top up your prepayment meter.

Resolve issues with your energy supplier.

"Keep Warm for Less" is available from your local Citizens Advice or by home visits where required. For help call Citizens Advice

Energy Line 01474 755500



Summon a Digital Champion to get help to go online

Don't be spooked by digital technology. If you are struggling to use the computer, tablet or smart phone there's help at hand. Superfast Dorset has a network of 70 volunteer Digital Champions who offer free, one-to-one computer help sessions in libraries and other venues across the county and they can help you get online and develop your digital skills. Superfast Digital Champions are ready to provide you with all the help you need from switching on a computer and using the internet safely to managing email and digital pictures and, of course, finding information from reliable sources. Visit them on a regular basis or just once to learn digital skills so that you can show your family how to safely use the internet. To get help from a Digital Champion simply call 01305 221048 and we will match you with a friendly volunteer in your area who will help you feel right at home in the digital world.

There is a Digital Champion in this area; please see below the details of their session: **Tuesdays, 2.45 pm - 5 pm - Wareham Library**

Are you willing to volunteer?



The Corfe Castle Town Trust is looking for **VOLUNTEERS** to help record and maintain the history of the village, assist with putting on exhibitions or help with the maintenance of the old Town Hall and Museum?



Are you interested in local history?

If so please contact Louise on:

Tel: 01925 481375 or mlouisehaywood@gmail.com

The Corfe Castle Town Trust Requires a New Trustee

The Trust was set up in July 1889 to repair and maintain the Town Hall and consisted of 8 trustees which has grown to 4 nominated trustees & 8 co-opted trustees. There are 4 meetings a year.

The Trust is now looking for another co-opted Trustee (an interest in insurance would be preferable).

If interested please contact

Emma

emma@elouisa.co.uk

Bigger, Better, Brighter.

Three words which we hope will be used when people talk about this years Purbeck Hills Christmas tree festival. At the time of writing this article we already have more trees pledged than ever before. Now it's down to the good people of Purbeck and the surrounding area to come along and enjoy the moment, take in the atmosphere and treat yourselves to coffee and perhaps a piece of cake or two available at the refreshment table, lets see if we can raise more money than ever before to help support our two deserving charities, the Dorset and Somerset Air Ambulance and Amelia's Rainbow. The festival starts at 9am on Saturday 30 November and runs until 4:30 on Monday 2 December at St George's Church, Langton, admission is free.



Calling all book lovers!

A popular home library service, run by Royal



Voluntary Service, the national volunteering organisation, is looking to grow its service for housebound readers in the Wareham, Corfe Castle and Swanage area.

The Home Library Service brings books to people who can no longer get to a library. It operates from most libraries in Dorset, Poole and Bournemouth.

Volunteers deliver books and share their love of reading with the people they visit. They are a friendly face and a regular visitor to those whose mobility and social interactions are limited, and they provide a useful check on the safety and well-being of their readers, too.

One of our readers commented: "It is an excellent service; it's a real delight when it is hard to get to the library oneself. The volunteer is so friendly, they may be the only person I shall see all day." Maria Jacobson, service manager for Dorset Home Library Service, says, "For people who enjoy reading or listening to an audio recording but find getting out of the house challenging, this service offers a vital link to the local library. The service enables them to carry on doing something they've always enjoyed and helps alleviate feelings of isolation and loneliness." The Home Library Service is delivered free of charge; it is not only for older people, but for anybody who finds getting to the library difficult, including carers.

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Pioneer View

Dear Friends,

At the time of writing this column there are only 7 Saturdays to Christmas, this came as sudden jolt to me, waking me to the reality of how time seems flies by these days.

So, a question to you, how do you spend your time? If time was money how would you spend it? We often take time for granted and as such fail to use it wisely.

I view time as a gift and as such I am grateful for the time that is afforded to me by other people and the times I spend with people, it's such a privilege. Very often in my pastoral visits or in the drop-ins I manage, I often hear carers and others say if they had their time over again, they wish they had said how much they valued or spent more time with a family member.

Christmas is on the horizon, a time to renew friendships and strengthen family ties. It offers an opportunity to address regrets that we may have and resolve them and not leave us with the "if only I said" and "if only I did"

Here are some thoughts in terms of gift in the light of Christmas. What is a gift? This is how I remember gift:

G is for Generosity. **I** is for invitation. **F** is for Friends. **T** is for thankful.

This for me these sums up the Christmas message. It challenges us to be generous, to practice hospitality to friends and family and finally to be thankful for our friends and family. Let's be people who take nothing granted.

Time and family are a gift that we must all cherish. Let's us value our time with friends and family and use it wisely this Christmas.

I wish you all a merry Christmas

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CHOIR CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Saturday December 21st - 7.00 FOR 7.30. Book soon as tickets limited! Call Sue 477148 or Ann 288325.

MUSIC NIGHT -

Saturday December 7th – a welcome return of 'Driftwood' getting you into the Festive Spirit playing music from the 60s to the present day. Plenty of opportunity to sing along! Guest singer Chris Stone. Licensed bar open. Tickets priced at £12 available from Bob Bunyar 01929 289209, from Foleys Garage or from the Ticketsource link on the Village Hall website www.harmanscrosshall.co.uk

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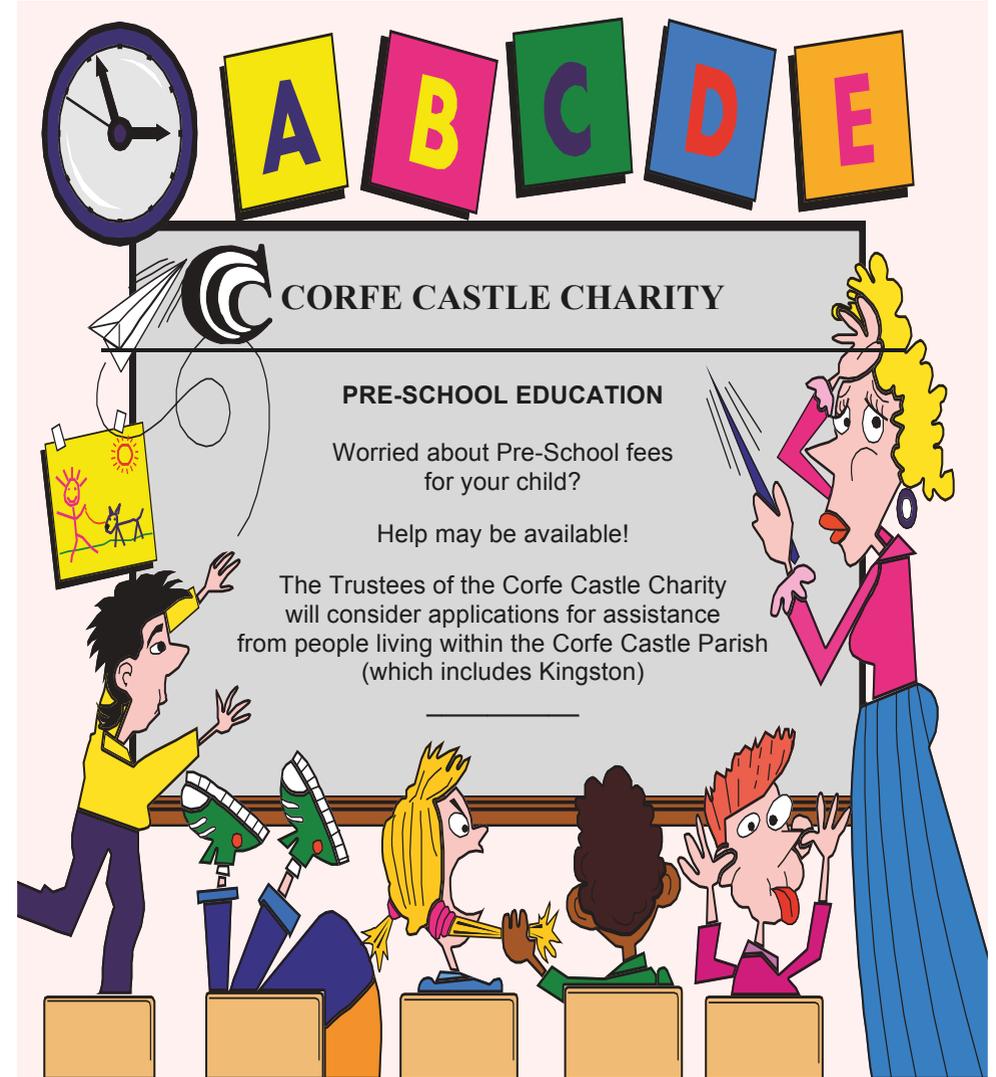
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Each	10am – 1pm	Pottery Class	Furzebrook Studios
Each	7 - 11pm	Chess Club (Sep - Apr)	Morton's House
1st	7pm	Double Act	C C Village Hall
2 nd	7pm	CC Parish Council	C C Town Hall
TUESDAY			
Each	8.50am - 2.50pm	Community Pre school	The Pre School
Each	9.15 – 10.45am	& 11am – 12 Yoga	Langton Scout Hut
Each	9.30 - 11.30	Intermediate yoga	Swanage - 477169
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Each	9.30am- noon	Intermediate yoga	Kimmeridge 477169
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Each	8.30	Poker	Corfe Castle Club
THURSDAY			
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Each	10.00 - 11.30am	Busy Bees	CC Primary School
3rd	11.30am	Probus Club	Mortons House
Each	6.00 - 8.00 pm	Intermediate yoga	Swanage - 477169
Each	6.30 – 8.00 pm	Yoga (439041)	Harmans Cross VH
Each	10.00 – 1.0 pm	Pottery Class	Furzebrook Studios
Alternate	7.30pm	Bingo	C C Village Hall
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Each	10am – 1pm	Pottery Classes	Furzebrook Studios
Each	8.30pm	Bingo	Corfe Castle Club
SATURDAY			
1st	10.30am	Village Coffee Morning	C C Village Hall
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