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# Sport has started well in 2023 for St Teath School.

We are extremely proud to report that our village school rugby team, made up of mainly Year 5 pupils,

have been crowned East Cornwall Rugby Champions 2022/23

beating a number of much bigger schools to take this title.

Congratulations to you all!



## ST TEATH JOYBIRDS

It's that time of year when the Joybirds are welcoming new members.

The Joybirds are a social group of women from the village and surrounding areas who meet the second Friday each month in the Church Hall, St Teath, at 2.30pm. The yearly sub is £22 and everyone pays £1 per visit (which includes refreshments and a raffle ticket with a chance to win £5.00).

We try to organise a variety of entertainments for fun as well as education to include talks, crafts, and trips to gardens, businesses etc. and we also raise money for charities. In 2022 we supported the Food Bank in Wadebridge and Ukraine.

On February 10th we are holding a **Tiddlywink Tournament**. If anyone would like to come along and test the water, please do. You can also phone Lynne Beavis on 01208 851277 for further details.

## FROM LORRAINE AND DAVID

WOW! The Christmas lights get better every year. Many thanks to the Lights Committee and helpers for all their work.

The world we live in is going through a difficult time at the moment. St. Teath has always had a reputation as a caring community, and it is vital we continue to look out for each other and the village and help wherever we can.

The bus shelter decorations have been greatly admired and look to be going to continue. Many thanks to Jo Fleet the very talented artist responsible.

We look forward to seeing all the spring bulbs that Tanya, Chrissy and their helpers have planted.

A Happy and Healthy New Year to One and All

Take Care. - Lorraine and David

Be thankful for what you have and you'll end up having more. Think only of what you don't have and you'll never, ever have enough.

Oprah Winfrey

Let's be grateful to people who make us happy, they are the gardeners who make our souls blossom.

Marcel Proust

# A huge 'THANK YOU' to Rev Angela

# Angela's Retirement Service 15th January 2023

None of us believed Angela was old enough to retire but she assures us she is! Sunday morning communion at St Teath was her last service. We extended a warm welcome to our church and chapel friends from Delabole, Lanteglos-by-Camelford and Advent. Rousing singing of well known tunes was interspersed with readings and a short talk by Angela, all reflecting her ministry among us and encouraging us in our future journey.

Our choir sang "May the Road Rise to Meet You" by Bob Chilcott, and organ music before and afterwards included some of Angela's favourite choruses.

At the end of the service our Curate, Rev'd Jeffrey Terry, thanked Angela for her support in his training period. Churchwarden Gareth Stubberfield spoke of Angela's constant demonstration of humility, gentleness and patience, and read a poem especially commissioned by Pearl for the occasion. Reader Claire Salzmann finished our farewell remarks by speaking of the great joy Angela had

brought us. Archdeacon Kelly was delighted to join us for the first time in St Teath and assured us she's keen to worship with us again!

The groaning tables in the Church Hall beckoned us for a bring and share lunch (many thanks to Barbara and Anne for preparing things whilst we were in the church). This gave us an opportunity not only to say goodbye to Angela, but to meet Rev'd Geraldine Ashton (more on Geraldine's role next month) who along with Jeffrey and Claire will be assisting in our services whilst our next minister is appointed. Between them, it will be as close to "business as usual" on

Sundays. Archdeacon Kelly is keen to get the interview process for a new minister going and told us all about it at a recent meeting (more on that later in the year).

In the meantime, if you need any help, please don't hesitate to contact Jeffrey on 07562 700170 or Claire on 01840 212713. Our churchwardens Dave on 01208 852027 or Gareth 07498 580454 will still be around as well.

## CHURCH SERVICES FOR FEBRUARY

SUNDAY 5<sup>th</sup> 11 am CHORAL COMMUNION

SUNDAY 12<sup>th</sup> 11 am MORNING PRAYER

SUNDAY 19<sup>th</sup> 11 am CHORAL COMMUNION

WED'SDAY 22nd 10.30am ASH WEDNESDAY SERVICE

SUNDAY 26<sup>th</sup> 10 am BREAKFAST SERVICE



# CHRISTMAS AT ST TEATH SCHOOL



WHOLE CAST OF SCHOOL PLAY



YEAR 5/6 CHRISTMAS JUMPERS



STAFF CHRISTMAS JUMPERS!

#### ST TEATH SCHOOL REPORT

December proved to be an extremely busy month (as always) with festivities alongside the normal school -based events. One of the highlights was the lights switch on, which the school is always proud to support. The whole village looked amazing and we were proud to play our part with Santa's grotto. We must extend big thanks to Tom and to Sue for the use of their house; all the children clearlyenjoyed their visit. I think the whole occasion is magical.

I must take this opportunity to apologise for a very important omission from my thank-you messages with regard to donating money to the school. The very generous amount donated by Reverend Angela Cooper and the Parochial Church Council of St Teath Church will make a major difference to all the children. With so much generosity towards the school from all over the community, I made a mistake and hope this apology and acknowledgment of thanks helps.

In sport, we have significant results from our touch rugby team, made up mainly of year 5 pupils. They went to Bodmin leisure centre to play other schools in a round robin format, most much bigger schools than ours. We finished the event having played 6 games, won 5 and drawn 1, battling hard as a team and creating some exquisite tries to be crowned East Cornwall Champions 2022/23 - a fantastic achievement.

Our two productions literally took centre stage in December; the infant and junior performances were again of high standard, showcasing the acting talent that is developing in St Teath. We are so proud of how the children grow in confidence each year and the roles they take on. This year the children also showed adaptability as illness meant we performed the vast majority of the shows with reduced numbers.

As well as the Christmas shows, the school also ran a secret room for children to get presents, a Christmas movie night, Christmas jumper day and Christmas Dinner. The benefit of working in school is that you get two Christmases, one with the children and one once we break up.

Away from Christmas, we had the Lego Cognitive Team coming in to teach our children how to program and Daya came in to provide opportunities to learn about culture and religion.

We also had an external monitoring visit to check on standards at St Teath; they were very complimentary about all areas of school life. In particular, they singled out the children's behaviour, the quality of learning and work in their books as specific strengths.

This term will prove to be busy as we try to get the timeline organised, start to look at a new outdoor reading area and also prepare for sporting tournaments and fixtures, with football, netball and rugby taking centre stage. 2023 has started fantastically well, in addition to the boys' rugby success our girls' football team managed a 1-0 victory against St Minver in the cup. (See photo below)

Best wishes for 2023!

Mr Dan Kay, Head Teacher.



#### ST TEATH PARISH COUNCIL

Do you have some spare time? Are you interested in village life?

If the answer to these questions is "Yes", the parish council is looking for someone just like you to fill two vacancies on the council. If you are interested and would like to know more, just go along to the next parish council meeting in the Community Centre on **Thursday, 2nd February**.

At the end of the meeting, which starts at 7pm, the council will co-opt new members before they become acting council members at the March meeting.

Many people use the path from the Square as a shortcut to Treroosal Road with a pair of kissing gates which have to be negotiated at each end - not easy with a pushchair or a wayward dog or two! Now you can have your say about the future of the kissing gates. Before you ask, they are not listed. Do you think they are an important feature of the village and should be retained or is it time to replace them with an alternative which gives easier access to the path? The parish council would like to hear your views.

The parish councillors would also like to remind parishioners that they are under a legal obligation to provide Cornwall Council with a local point of view on any planning applications received. Therefore if you feel strongly about any applications received, it is important to relay those views to the councillors.

#### A METHODIST MINISTER'S VIEW

Some years ago, there was a popular television series called the 'Forsyte Saga' which was a fictional look at family life in a particular era. It seems to me that we are now experiencing through our newspapers and news bulletins the embryonic stages of another saga – the 'Prince Harry Saga' as I prepare this article in early January.

A newspaper reporter once said to me that the best time to get press coverage for a project was when there was a shortage of news in the weeks immediately after Christmas. In this the Public Relations department of the publishers of the Duke of Sussex's book 'Spare' have certainly succeeded. Public opinion seems to be divided in reacting to the publication and all that it is revealing.

To be a member of our popular Royal Family at this time must be very difficult as the press articles and news bulletins raise different issues involving individuals in the family network. In his attempt to raise concerns about how the British press operates, Prince Harry has revealed things that, probably most of us think, should have been kept within the family circle. In the snippets which I have seen in the news bulletins Prince Harry has said that he wants reconciliation with the members of the Royal Family. One Royal Court correspondent has said that with all that has been revealed, reconciliation will be difficult. Meanwhile we will have to wait and see.

Reconciliation involves forgiveness, putting the past behind us as we move on in life. One of the writers in the Book of Psalms wrote of God – 'He forgives all my sins' (Psalm 103:3), and Jesus told the story of a Father who welcomed back his wayward son with a family celebration, we know it as the story of the Prodigal Son (see Luke 15 verse 11 onwards). In that story we read that the older Son found it difficult to participate in the celebration. In Matthew's Gospel Chapter 18 verse 21 onwards Jesus is reported as saying that we should be generous in forgiving because of God's forgiving nature. These passages challenge us as we reflect on the 'Prince Harry Saga' and look to our own family and friendship situations. Are we forgiving people?

Every blessing in your pondering.

Bryan Ede

# THANKS

# ON BEING EIGHTY ...

By the time you're eighty you know everything there is to know, the only problem is remembering it.

**BILL VAUGHAN** 

When you reach eighty you seem to be having breakfast every five minutes.

JOHN MORTIMER.

Now I'm over eighty, I bend down to tie my shoe laces and wonder if there's anything else I can be doing while I'm down there.

. GEORGE BURNS

## FROM OUR COUNTY COUNCILLOR

There is still time to respond to the Council's consultation on a Mayor for Cornwall and the additional powers and benefits that this might bring. Having served on the Council now for over six years, the following are my own views on the issue.

Instinctively I am not in favour of concentrating power in one individual at a local or national level. I also know that many residents already hold the view that there is too much party politics at Cornwall Council and this would inevitably take us further down that route, whilst eliminating some of the important checks and balances that our current governance system offers. I also wonder, in a year when the national governing party has had to remove one Prime Minister for losing public trust and another for economic incompetence, why we would consider a directly elected Mayor for Cornwall, who would be almost impossible to replace between local elections? Given this, I think there would need to be a very significant transfer of powers and funding to make this worth considering.

The headline figure is £390m for Cornwall. However, this is spread over 30 years and so would only actually add £12m to our annual spending of over £1bn - with none of it earmarked for our existing underfunded services. I also see that very similar deals have been offered to both Suffolk (£480m over 30 years) and Norfolk (£600m over 30 years) without the necessity of a mayor - with Secretary of State Michael Gove saying, "Ultimately it is local people who know what is best for their areas." The funding would also be subject to a number of conditions such as being able to identify brown-field sites for housing - which is almost impossible in rural areas - which I fear could lead us to deliver fewer affordable homes for young people. I am also underwhelmed by the offer of £500,000 to introduce improvements such as ticketless travel on buses given the rate that bus services have been reduced or abandoned in North Cornwall. There is no new money for reintroducing these.

There are welcome commitments to supporting the Cornish language and developing floating off -shore wind turbines – however these are both areas to which the government is quite rightly already committed, along with tightening up the legislation around second homes and holiday lets which is a national issue.

What you will not find in the online consultation is a question about who should decide and whether there will be a referendum. There is a strong sense that both the Leader and the Chief Executive of Cornwall Council would prefer the decision to be made in the Council Chamber, in order to use the current Conservative majority to maximum effect and to meet a tight timetable of electing the first Mayor in May 2024 – a full year ahead of the next local elections. My preference would be for a referendum - ideally in May 2024 which would then allow for a change of governance at the next local elections in May 2025 – but only if the people of Cornwall support it. This is the approach I will support at the Full Council in February and if you agree you will need to express this in one of the "additional information" boxes in the questionnaire.

The online consultation can be found here and needs to be completed by midnight of the 17th February: letstalk.cornwall.gov.uk/bigdeal

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#### **NEVER GIVE UP!**

I haven't failed, I've just found 10,000 ways that won't work.

Thomas Edison.

## **VALENTINE'S DAY**

Since we have not received one single Valentine message this year from our un-romantic readers, we are attempting to raise the tone of *Timepiece* with this love-letter from Hamlet to Ophelia:

Doubt that the stars are fire,

Doubt that the sun doth move,

Doubt truth to be a liar,

But never doubt I love.

W. Shakespeare

# PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE IN CONTACT FOR CHURCH HALL BOOKINGS: Please contact Carol Blewett on 07792 278778"

## FUN AND GAMES AT THE COMMUNITY CENTRE!

Finding the February evenings dull and dreary? The new management team at the Community Centre has a solution - a pub games and skittles night to take your mind off dark winter nights and give you a fun evening.

This first fundraiser to be organised by the new management committee is on **Wednesday**, **February 22nd** and starts at 7pm. All you have to do is turn up!

Booking the centre couldn't be easier as we have set up an email address for bookings:

just contact stteathcommunitycentre@gmail.com

## **DELABOLE CEMETERY**

The Delabole Parish Council is currently mapping the available burial plots in the Delabole cemetery.

If you or a family member have at any time purchased an Exclusive Rights of Burial (EROB), a reserved plot for a grave in Delabole Cemetery please contact the parish clerk as soon as possible with full details.

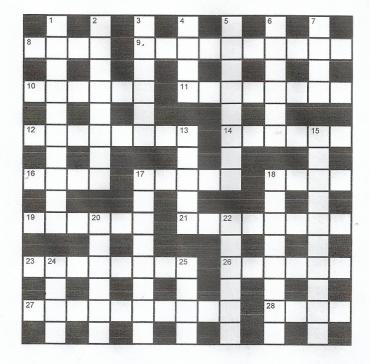
This information will be used to electronically map the cemetery for used, reserved, unmarked and vacant plots.

Thank you.

The usual contact for our Parish Clerk is 07869 725450 or clerk@delaboleparishcouncil.gov.uk<

#### Across

- 8 Page covered in subtle affection (4)
- 9 Vibrating gongs raise level of hostility (10)
- 10 Beginning and end of journey around Gaelic island (6)
- 11 Designates are broken before exam results (8)
- 12 Level of barbarity to cruelly certify nothing (8)
- 14 After six, Anne goes back to the city (6)
- 16 Initially welcome any variable energetic surge (4)
- 17 Holding weapons like a bad dream(5)
- 18 Impresses openers with outswinging wide seamers (4)
- 19 The football team and company follow me to the country (6)
- 21 Short of a score but prime nonetheless (8)
- 23 Commiseration for ruination of my spy hat (8)
- 26 Old ape rocking on pleasure boat (6)
- 27 Ubiquitous description of journey from Hadrian's to Berlin (4-2-4)



28 Cruelly mock headless relative (4)

#### Down

- 1 The Doctor can do this for broken teenager after queen returns (10)
- 2 Cricket side quietover mineral rock in the sea (8)
- 3 The misguided pray in circular ratio of ancient writing sheets (6)
- 4 Monster of a school subject after scoring at the wrong end (4)

- 5 Without essentials the deep is pointless to dizzy diver (8)
- 6 Distraction of the Spanish matador's apparel (6)
- 7 Royal house covered by clergy (or kings) (4)
- 13 State of the old folk (5)
- 15 State of refreshed enthusiasm with candy centre! (3,7)
- 17 Taking on child is current day choice(8)
- 18 Take out humour on hot sketch (8)

- 20 One representative at the French beast(6)
- 22 Sodium lamp broken by appalling weapon(6)
- 24 Beginners of yesteryear using another new currency (4)
- 25 Informally positive covered be goodbye ahead (4)

**ANSWERS on PAGE 12** 

Our thanks to Mr Lee Bacchus for continuing to provide us with our monthly brain-teaser.

## NOTICE TO TIMEPIECE ADVERTISERS

It has become evident from a review of our advert sizes, defined as 'small', 'quarter page' and 'half page', that they are not all uniform. Therefore, to ensure advertisers are treated equally depending on the fee paid, from 1 April 2023 advert sizes will be as follows:

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## **Crossword answers:**

| Across           | Down          |
|------------------|---------------|
| 8. leaf          | 1. regenerate |
| 9. aggression    | 2. offshore   |
| 10. jersey       | 3. papyri     |
| 11. earmarks     | 4. ogre       |
| 12. ferocity     | 5. deprived   |
| 14. Vienna       | 6. escape     |
| 16. wave         | 7. York       |
| 17. armed        | 13. Yemen     |
| 18. wows         | 15. New Zea-  |
| land             |               |
| 19. Mexico       | 17. adoption  |
| 21. nineteen     | 18. withdraw  |
| 23. sympathy     | 20. impala    |
| 26. pedalo       | 22. napalm    |
| 27. wall-to-wall | 24. yuan      |
| 28. aunt         | 25. yeah      |

# FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

8th Happy Birthday to HESTER with love and very best wishes from all your many friends in St Teath - and some in Delabole...

**9th** Wishing LORRAINE a wonderful birthday with love from the Ladies who Lunch and everyone in the village and beyond.

9th Happy Birthday Flower, with lots of love, D. xxx

**20th** Birthday Greetings to YVONNE from the rest of the Timepiece team and all your friends in St Teath.

21st Happy Birthday to JAY - twenty -two today! Love and all good wishes from Mum, Dad, Chloe, Rue and all the family.

# ST TEATH COMMUNITY SPEEDWATCH (CSW)

On 1<sup>st</sup> December the following speeds were recorded as being over the 30 mph limit:

1 x 43 mph, 1 x 42 mph, 1 x 40 mph, 1 x 39 mph, 3 x 38 mph, 1 x 37 mph, 2 x 36 mph, 2 x 35 mph

On 8<sup>th</sup> December the following speeds were recorded as being over the 30 mph limit:

1 x 42 mph, 1 x 40 mph, 1 x 39 mph, 3 x 38 mph, 4 x 37 mph, 2 x 36 mph,

4 x 35 mph.

On 15<sup>th</sup> December the following speeds were recorded as being over the 30 mph limit:

3 x 40 mph, 1 x 37 mph, 1 x 36 mph, 3 x 35 mph.

The drivers of all the above vehicles will be issued with a warning notice.

A driver recorded TWICE will receive a warning notice delivered by the Police.

On a THIRD occasion a driver will have to face the due course of the law!

## **RUBBISH RAMBLERS**

Thanks to the Parish Council and KMD Developments we are now equipped with hi-viz vests to keep us safer in the lanes. A compelling, fashionable reason to join the merry team.

The theme for December seemed to be car and automotive parts such as hubcaps. We are hoping to collect enough to assemble a whole vehicle by 2028.

This team meets informally every **first and third Thursday of the month** <u>10 a.m</u>. by the White Hart pub. Dates coming up are <u>2nd and 16th February</u>. New faces are always welcome. Please dress visibly, wear gloves and bring a bin bag. Routes range from short and flat, to the longer, hilly ones. Coffee and chat afterwards.

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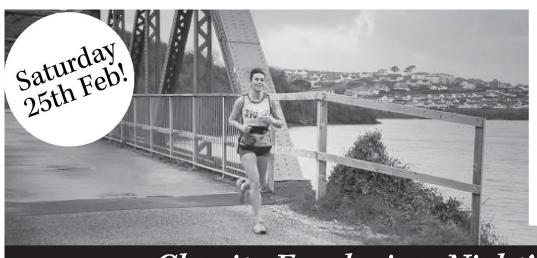
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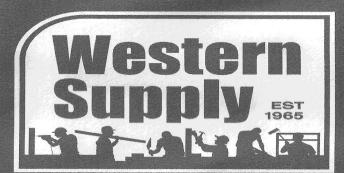
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## WHAT'S on in FEBRUARY

| THURS       | 2nd<br>7.00pm    | PARISH COUNCIL Meeting                           | Community<br>Centre    |
|-------------|------------------|--|------------------------|
| FRIDAY      | 10th<br>2.30pm   | Joybirds <b>TIDDLYWINK TOURNAMENT</b>            | Church Hall            |
| SAT         | 11th<br>7.30pm   | WILL PAGE Folk Singer<br>(£15)                   | St Endellion<br>Church |
| TUES        | 1 <b>4th</b>     | VALENTINE'S DAY                                  |                        |
| SAT         | 18th<br>10am—1pm | <b>FABULOUS FABLES</b> Creative Writing workshop | St Endellion<br>Church |
| WEDS        | 22nd<br>7.00pm   | PUB GAMES & SKITTLES NIGHT                       | Community<br>Centre    |
| SUN-<br>DAY | 26th<br>10.00am  | BREAKFAST CHURCH                                 | St Teath Church        |

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