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Welcome to the October edition of the Villager Magazine, with summer now but a memory as we are all back to the routine of school, work and all the other regular activities. With the weather still pleasant enough for us to enjoy good walks in the lovely countryside that surrounds us, we notice that the subject of misbehaving dogs on walks has cropped up several times in this magazine. While dog-fouling is not nearly as bad as it was for those of us with memories back to the 60s, it only needs one dump not picked up in the playing field to ruin someone's day and possibly cause illness. More worrying is a report (see Letter to the Editors) of out of control dogs attacking and killing other animals. Please ensure your dog is under your control at all times, even when off the lead.

With the weather cooling and less to entice you outside, maybe it is time for a bit of cooking? If anyone has an interesting recipe or two that you would like to share with us we would love to hear from you. And keep sending us your stories and thoughts — we love to hear from you.

Don't forget that the clocks go back on Sunday 27th October. Time for an extra hour in bed — unless you have a dog or small children, that is!

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Dates for your Diary

Come along and join in the fun at any of the events below - everyone is always welcome! Both the Memorial Hall & Social Club can also be hired for private functions

Date	Event	Location	Time
Friday 4th October	Avening School Open Day	Avening School	9.15 am — 12 noon
Saturday 5th October	Fun Skittles	Aveing Social Club	7.30 pm
Saturday 12th October	Community orchard management—all welcome	Community Orchard, above playing field	10am — 12 noon
Saturday 12th October	Apple pressing	Avening Memorial Hall	11am — 2pm
Sunday 27th October	Clocks go back		2am
Wednesday 6th November	Avening School Open Day	Avening School	9.15 am — 12 noon

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Gilian's Poem of the Month

Great-Uncle Bob was a professional cricketer, and one of my Father's many uncles in fact, but as a child with no living grandparents, I adopted Bob as my grandfather at a very early age, and as it turned out he had quite an influence on my life! It was due to his interest and encouragement that I too played cricket for my home county in my teens, and then went on to train as a P.E. teacher.....

Great-Uncle Bob

Great-Uncle Bob was ninety-odd, and a Yorkshireman through and through, with snow-white thatch, a ready smile and eyes of twinkling blue.

Upright, fit and active still, and living on his own, back in the house where he was born, in the village he called his home.

I always loved to visit Bob, his welcome warm and kind, he'd take my hand and lead me off to see what we could find

In his beautiful cottage garden, always a flower for me, then back into the house again some other treats to see.

One that I remember well was a fat, round Toby jug, with brightly coloured coat and hat, he sat there looking smug!

Often filled with fragrant flowers that scented the homely room, fresh-picked sweet-peas my favourites, with their pretty pastel blooms.

And Bob had a wonderful grandfather clock, with chimes and a soft, deep tick, and on the dial on a storm-tossed sea rocked a glorious full-rigged ship,

While overhead a golden sun rose-up across the sky, followed by a silver moon as the days and nights ticked by.

I'd gaze in silent rapture, and listen for the chime, the wonder and the joy of it a fresh thrill every time!

Oh, how I loved that wondrous clock and longed to take it home - but Bob had a greater treasure yet, a passion all his own.

It was his Yorkshire Cricket Cap, his lasting claim to fame, a souvenir of younger years when cricket was his game,

Proud symbol of his glory days, and subject of much talk, the pale blue of a summer sky with the pure white rose of York,

Sometimes he let us wear it, my brother Mike and me, for games of cricket on the green, so proud for all to see!

Happy to spend his time with us, his treasure trove to share, to play a game, or tell a tale - Bob was always there....

Great-Uncle Bob was a gentleman in every sense and way, and I remember so well that gentle man, 'though he's long-since passed away.....

Gilian Bulmer-Davison

Avening and Cherington Churches



I've been with you for a couple of months now, and with a few events and services under my belt I'm finally beginning to feel grounded. With one Harvest Festival celebrated and a few more to go, it really does feel like I'm here for good.



Harvest Festival in Cherington

Looking at my calendar, it seems like there's plenty of activity in our churches this month! Firstly, The Autumn Gathering promises an evening of fun and dancing on Friday 18th October, courtesy of The Ball Committee and the George Buchanan Scottish Dance Band. Tickets for this event are available from Elizabeth Buchanan. Then just a couple of days later, you're invited to a Harvest Celebration at Holy Trinity Church, Amberley, where we'll come together as a benefice to sing, give thanks, and share food together.

There are also some Churches Together events to note, including an evening on "Mental health and my spirit" with guest speakers Clarie Miles, David Pouncey, and Jon Taylor. There will also be a Bereavement Course which is open to anyone, and

which will be running at two different times due to oversubscription in previous years.

Details for both these events can be found at the back of church.

With all that's going on, there are plenty of opportunities to gather together, sharing the light of Christ and warmth of friendship, which is much needed as the nights begin to draw in.

Every blessing
Natalie

Donations to Avening Church



We have set up a QR code which if scanned with your smart phone will enable you to make a donation to Avening Church of any amount that you are able to. You then just feed into your phone your card details and the money will be transferred to our bank account. If you are an income tax payer you will also be given the opportunity to gift aid your donation. There is now also the option of using the card payment machine in the church.

Church Services and information

	AVENING	CHERINGTON
6 th Oct 10.00am	MORNING PRAYER	HOLY COMMUNION
13 th Oct. 10.00am	HOLY COMMUNION	NO SERVICE
20 th Oct. 10.00am	Celtic morning prayer	HOLY COMMUNION
27 ^t Oct. 10.00am	HOLY COMMUNION	NO SERVICE
3 rd Nov. 10.00am	NO SERVICE	HOLY COMMUNION

Benefice Dates

DATE & TIME		VENUE
Wed. 9 th Oct. 7.00pm	Mental health and my spirit	Market House Minchinhampton
Fri. 18 th Oct 7.00pm	The Autumn Gathering Scottish dancing	Avening church
Sun. 3 rd Nov. 5.30pm	Benefice All Souls service	Amberley church

Church Floodlighting



The church was floodlit on **10 September**

In loving memory of

Richard Chapman (Dick).

You have been gone 8 years and not a day goes by where we do not think of you or speak your name.

I hope you are looking after Mum for us.

Miss you and love you always,

Kris, Rob Kane, Eloise and Ralph Xxxx

And on **23rd September**

The equinox of 23rd September 2009, **Stan Parsons** slipped away.

Loved by many, forever in our thoughts and memories to cherish.

The church looks beautiful at night when floodlit. If you would like to have this in memory of a loved one, or to celebrate a special event, contact **Piers Hansen on 07770 745642**. The cost is £10 for 2 hours.

Letter from Chairman of Avening Parish Council



Summer has passed and the onset of autumn is with us and with it the evenings begin to draw in – always a surprise to me that it appears to happen so rapidly, and with it, a rush to get all the garden jobs done intime for winter.

During our ‘Summer recess’ the Avening parish councillors took the opportunity to go through and slim down the paper records that have accumulated over the past fifty years. It was a slow, dusty and arduous task. It involved reading each and every page to ensure nothing of real interest was confined to the waste bin. Interestingly, or maybe not, we came across a Chairman’s report from over 20 years ago which highlighted some local issues as follows – Pot Holes in the roads, Dog Fouling on pavements and Playing Field, Litter and some Vandalism around the village – seems that life in the village of Avening hasn’t changed much over the decades! (**N.B.** Anyone who fails to clean up after their dog can be issued with a fixed penalty notice of up to £100. If the case goes to court this could be increased to up to £1,000. The law states that being unaware a dog has fouled or not having a suitable bag is not a reasonable excuse.)

On the positive side, it threw up a few interesting items that seem to have been recovered for posterity.

Most notable amongst the ‘treasures’ found was a framed certificate celebrating the sponsorship by Avening Village of a boat during WW2 – called HMS The Grayling. Officially known as an ASW Trawler of the fish class, ten of which were built and all named after various fishes. This was a mine layer/sweeper – officially classed as a Corncrake type minelayer, built in 1940-1943; top speed 12.95 mph or 11.25 knots. Length 161.6ft and armed with 1 x 12 pounder gun, 3 x Oerlikon 20 mm AA guns and 40 x Depth Charges. Skippered by Walter Aaron George RNR 24 June 1942–2 Nov 1942, Lawrence Ford RNR 2 Nov 1942-20 Jan 1943, and Harold Edward Burman RNR 20 Jan 1943–mid 1945. The boat was sold in 1946. The framed certificate will now find a rightful place on the walls of the Memorial Hall.

Playing Field – A couple of the tables in the playing field had been damaged; this was mainly as a result of them being moved around the field as opposed to an intended act of vandalism – please treat them with care and return them to their original places after use.

The zip wire has been repaired and is sliding as well as ever – you’re never too old to have a go!

The Memorial Hall – Work on the reroofing and refurbishment to the toilet area has been completed and now offers a more pleasant experience for the users of the hall. Similarly, the external door to the Chamberlain room has been replaced as the old door was showing signs of rot. The Trustees will be now focusing on the planned refurbishment of the Chamberlain room kitchen. We would welcome input from the various users as to what amenities they would have on their wish list.

It is worth mentioning again, that due to its charitable status the Memorial Hall cannot take out loans or mortgages to finance costs, and therefore has to be self-sufficient, or rely on donations or grants for additional financial help. All donations gratefully received.

New Parish Councillor Needed – We still have a vacancy for a new Parish Councillor – if you have an interest in joining, then please come along to the next parish meeting and sit in to observe what’s involved. It’s a relaxed environment and free from any form of press-ganging tactics to join.

Apple Pressing – This will take place again this year outside the memorial Hall on 12th October, so please bring along your apples

Best wishes to everyone.

Patrick Mulligan
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District Councillor's Report



CDC: At the Overview & Scrutiny meeting we were apprised of the government targets for building new homes. You may recall that following years of failed policies by successive governments, the new Labour government has made a big policy statement to build millions of houses, and in the Cotswold district the requirement has effectively been trebled to 1,000 per year, which, put into context is the equivalent of 2 Avenings every year! With these arbitrary targets, there has been no account of need in the district, the lack of infrastructure, the impact on the protected countryside, nor the unsustainability of expanding rural settlements. There has been insufficient time to adequately plan for the building, and it is contradictory to both the NPPF (National Planning Framework), and the new Local Plan. The burden is falling disproportionately on rural districts, when urban targets have actually been reduced despite these areas being more sustainable with better transport, infrastructure and facilities. As well as the lack of suitable areas for building, no thought seems to have been given to the financing of the builds (most district and councils don't have the financial capacity); who will build them (it is unlikely to be current volume builders due to the likely low profit margins on social houses, and councils don't have the expertise or staff); who will physically build them (there is a lack of skilled trades already); and how will the necessary infrastructure be provided. The council is preparing a robust response following a very short consultation period, which isn't about 'NIMBYism', but just the sheer impracticality of the demand. I'll keep you apprised of progress.

Bins: There are still some teething issues with the new rounds, which were exacerbated by a recent bout of sickness - the service has improved but is not yet at the required standard. However, most of the repeated missed collections are being closely managed, and as the crews get used to the new rounds the problems should disappear. Incidentally, the budget for the implementation was exceeded by around £70,000.

Crime: There are ongoing outbreaks of theft in our area, so please look out for anything suspicious and check your security is as good as it can be.

Roads: I was invited to view the A419 'missing link' construction works in August, which were very impressive! During the tour we were given the background to the work, and told how the project has won multiple awards for its groundbreaking environmental protection. For example, ecologists collected many of the adders, slowworms, and even protected snails to rehome them prior to the work starting.



Construction of the 'Nature Bridge'

The bulk of the road is being cut up to 16m below the surface to reduce the impact of noise and light, and there will be a 27m 'nature bridge' across the new road reserved for



Viewing site plans and presentation

wildlife and a new public footpath. No material is being taken away from the site, but is being reused elsewhere, including building 7.5km of new Cotswold drystone walls. The construction is on track to complete by early 2027, but the bulk of the road will be operational in 2026. Keep an eye on the National Highways webpage for more information.

Councillor Tony Slater

Cotswold District Council, Representing
Grumbolds Ash with Avening.

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Other updates and information for Parish Councils:

PLANNING

Just a reminder to Parish Councillors to keep an eye on new planning applications. It is important to notify the planning officer within 28 days if it is felt that there are strong material planning considerations as to why an application should be brought before the committee. Please contact me with the details, I will speak to the planning officer and then I need to submit a pro forma indicating your concerns. This is quite different to how it was before April this year, when we all had the benefit of the consultee responses and the officer's report.

COTSWOLD CROWDFUND

Cotswold District Council has launched the Autumn funding round of its crowdfunding initiative. From cycle hubs to cricket clubs, playgrounds to street murals, if you have an idea for a project, you can make it happen with Crowdfund Cotswold. Residents know best what is needed in their neighbourhoods and have the skills and creativity to shape their local area and the future they want. Crowdfund Cotswold provides a springboard for locally-led ideas to attract funding more easily. Since its launch in 2021, Crowdfund Cotswold has supported local projects worth over £1 million. And now you can pitch for up to £10,000 from the Council to help fund your local community project. The deadline for the current round of funding for the scheme is fast approaching on 16 October. If you have ideas about a project in your community or want to learn more about the Crowdfund Cotswold initiative ahead of the funding deadline you can sign up to the Council's workshop. The Project Creator workshop will be held online on Tuesday 17th September at 4pm. To sign up for the workshop see the Spacehive webpage. <https://www.spacehive.com/movement/crowdfundcotswold/>

If you have any questions about the Project Creator Workshop event or accessibility requirements, please email support@spacehive.com. People and organisations can pledge as little as £2 towards a project. To view all the active projects in the Cotswolds, please visit the Crowdfund Cotswold project page: Explore Projects ([spacehive.com](https://www.spacehive.com)).

Puzzle Corner

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Sudoku

Fill in the blank squares so that each row, each column and each

3-by-3 block contain all of the digits 1 - 9.

If you use logic you can solve the puzzle without guesswork.

Answers on page 28

Across

8 Unfriendly feeling (3,4)

9 Owl sounds (5)

10 Posting on Twitter (5)

11 Put into order (7)

12 World's largest lizard (6,6)

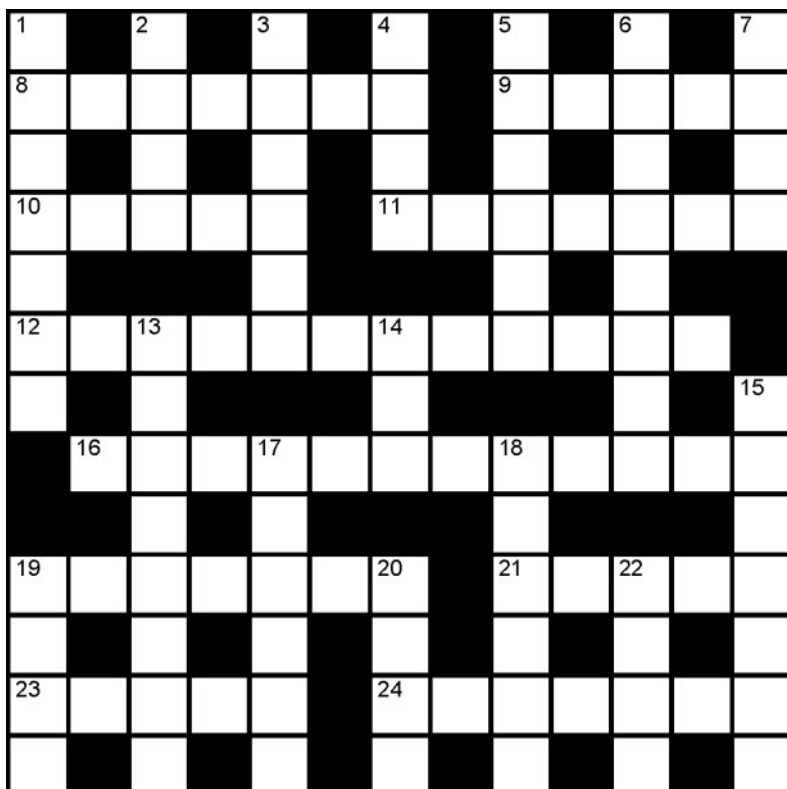
16 Herbivorous dinosaur (12)

19 Admire, esteem (7)

21 e.g. hearing (5)

23 Sluggish gastropod (5)

24 Mythical woman with fish's tail (7)



Down

1 Error (7)

2 Sad colour? (4)

3 Alluded (6)

4 A forearm bone (4)

5 Himalayan mountain guide (6)

6 Torrential rain (8)

7 Small area of land surrounded by water (4)

13 Sharpshooter (8)

14 Two-person group (3)

15 Goes uphill (7)

17 e.g. pine tree leaf (6)

18 Ridiculous (6)

19 A symptom of chickenpox (4)

20 Sarcophagus, mausoleum (4)

22 Trim and tidy (4)

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Letter to the Editors

Dear Editors,

Recently a ewe on one of our neighbour's land was savaged by a dog out of control (presumably off the lead - the culprit has not owned up and was not sighted). The sheep had to be destroyed.

A few months ago, one of our barn cats (that on was on our land at the time) was chased by a dog being walked past our house off the lead who ran onto our land and killed her.

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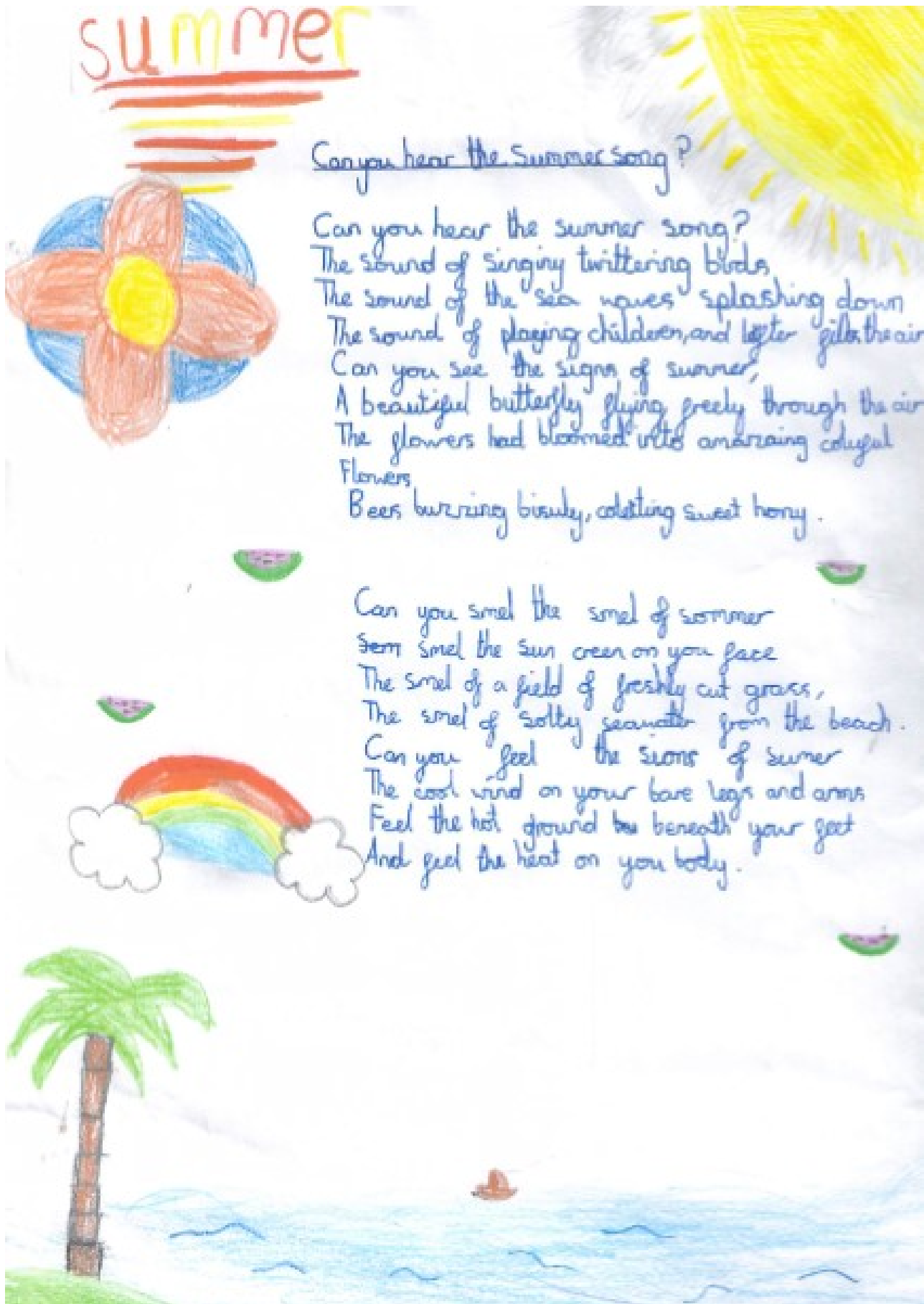
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A poem written and illustrated by George, a pupil of Avening School, a delightful reminder of summer as we head into Autumn



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Every Tuesday morning in the Social Club from 9 – 12 am.

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September saw the start of “Art with Mark” on a twice a month basis (1st and 3rd Tuesdays). Such is the popularity of this event, we now run a booking system and ask those interested to book their place beforehand, although we will try and accommodate all those who wish to take part, The Café are pleased to continue to partially subsidise these sessions.

The Café rag rug team have completed a number of gorgeous wall hangings which can be seen each week at the Café. The team are looking for new challenges, so if you would like to commission a rug, cushion cover, wall hanging etc, please let us know.

Now that the summer holidays are over it is worth reminding parents that the Café opens at 9am so why not pop in and join other parents for a chat and a drink after dropping your children off at school – **free coffees for parents in October!**

In the last few weeks it was lovely to welcome new villagers to the café, a good way to meet people and find out about village life. We are also pleased that the Rev'd Natalie joins us for a coffee and a chat most weeks.

October Dates

1st & 15th Art with Mark (£3 each, all materials supplied).

8th Celebrating all things Apple.

22nd Standard Cafe

29th **Half Term week** -Special welcome to younger members – Halloween, dust off your witches outfit for a Halloween fancy dress morning.

Surplus Garden Produce – Feel free to donate surplus garden produce for raising funds towards Café charities.



John Hetterley, For Avening Community Café



Avening School

An exciting start to the autumn term

We are back in the swing of things here at Avening School after the summer break. We have welcomed our new reception children and their families into the school and also a few new faces in some of our other year groups. The Owls class are gearing up for their residential trip to PGL Liddington at the end of September where they will take part in a variety of activities, including archery, abseiling and the zip wire.

With a new term comes a new topic and children in each class are already immersed in their learning, with the Kestrels and Owls classes learning all about Avening as they explore the history and geography of our local area. The Hawks class are travelling back further in time to the Stone Age, while the Eagles class get to know each other in their very first topic, learning 'all about me'.

The learning doesn't stop at the end of the school day here at Avening School with after school clubs available each week covering a wide range of interests from sport to art to drama. This term's offerings include recorder club, STEM and tag rugby.

The school library is open for borrowing every Friday afternoon and is full of new books thanks to the generosity of families and members of the local community who donated books during the summer term.

We were honoured to recently receive the award for Mental Health Champions. As one of the few primary schools in Gloucestershire to achieve the award, this reflects the hard work and dedication from all staff in prioritising the mental well-being of all our pupils and the whole school community.

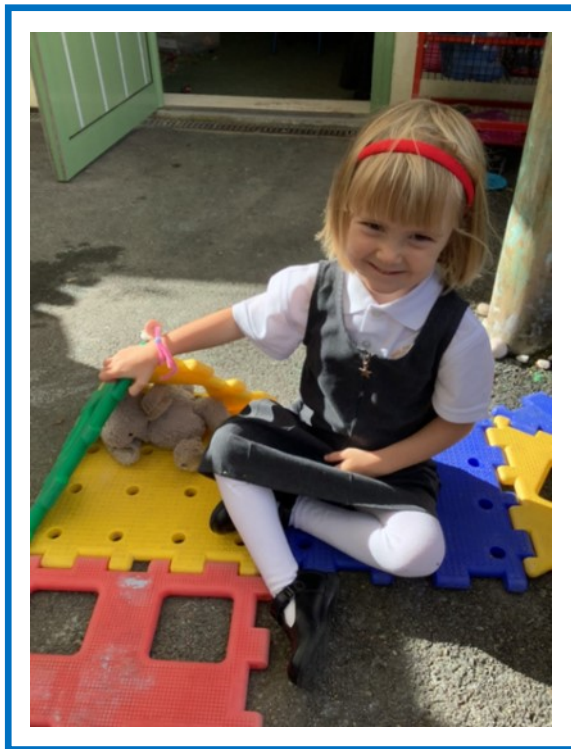
Our Fledgling sessions on Friday afternoons have resumed in the school garden. For pre-school children from 0-4 years and their grown-ups, our outdoor forest school sessions run from 2-3pm every Friday. Please contact the school office if you would like more information on these sessions.

We will be opening our doors in October and November for two open mornings where families can enjoy a tour of our wonderful school in action. Join us from 9.15am – 12pm on Friday 4th October or alternatively, on Wednesday 6th November.

Alex Adcock

For more information about this busy place of learning, please see our school website: www.avening.gloucs.sch.uk

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**Avening Primary School
Open Mornings**

**Friday 4 October 2024
Wednesday 6 November 2024
9.15 – 12 noon**

**A great opportunity to come along to find out
exactly how our school works and see us in
action. There will be special guided tours given
by members of our School Council.**

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Avening Playgroup



A big welcome to Ruairi, Imogen and Tyler, who have just started at Avening Playgroup and a big welcome back to those children returning to the setting for the autumn term. We also have a new member of staff to welcome to the team. Emma joined us at the beginning of September and lives with her partner and four children in Tetbury. She holds a level 3 Early Years qualification in Childcare and Education as well as a Level 5 BTEC Higher National Diploma in Advanced Practice in Work with Children and Families. Emma has 14 years' experience working with children and we look forward to working with her.



We spent the first couple of weeks of this term helping the children to settle in, giving them lots of opportunities to explore all the different areas in the setting so that they can become familiar with the equipment and resources on offer to them. We are also reminding them to follow the playgroup routine and supporting them in building new relationships, not just with the other children but also with their keyworkers and the rest of the staff. We are really pleased with how well the children have settled back in and how quickly the new starters are adapting to our routines.



We have been talking about the things we like to do and looking at ourselves. The children have been drawing faces, making faces out of playdough and painting themselves, step by step. We have also been measuring ourselves and comparing heights.

The children have enjoyed playing with the rainbow rice, building models out of Duplo bricks and playing in the large sand pit. They have also had fun weighing dinosaurs on the scales.

If you are looking for a playgroup space for your child, now or in the future, you are very welcome to come in and have a look around our lovely setting with its great outdoor area. Just call us on 01453 832695 or email at aveningplaygroup@gmail.com to make an appointment.



Angie Heslop



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are looking for people to join them preparing to sing at autumn and Christmas events in the village, including the Christmas Carol Service.

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Avening WI

We have started our new 'term' with a swing. We had a very interesting talk by Jeni Whittaker whose great aunt was a suffragette. Those women showed extreme bravery in their determination to get the vote especially when they were imprisoned and on hunger strike. The force feeding regime was brutal but they knew that it would be only by these extreme measures that they would be listened to. Jeni has written a book 'The Courage Game' about her great aunt's life.

A team of 4 members took part in the final of the WI County quiz. There were 18 teams and we came 5th which we were pleased with. There were definitely some tough and trick questions e.g. What is the common name of the bird whose Latin name is Puffinus Puffinus? Obvious, I hear you all say, but if your answer was not Manx Shearwater you would be wrong!

We are continuing with our monthly walks when we like to vary the standard and length so that as many members as possible can enjoy the exercise, fresh air and friendship. The next walk will be from Chavenage Green to Beverston followed by lunch at the Royal Oak where non walkers can also meet up.

The WI Book Club has been enjoying regular meetings to discuss their latest book choices.

In October we are having an 'Art with Mark' session making cards. These sessions have proved very popular at the Community Café so we are pleased to have the opportunity to work with him. We have also arranged a visit to the Amazon 'Fulfilment Centre', a very fancy name for their giant warehouse in Swindon.

We are hoping to arrange another of our popular village quizzes in the near future so please look out for the date.

Our next meeting will be Avening WI's 94th birthday which we will be celebrating with wine and nibbles. Our speaker for the evening is Caroline Pover, 'Auntie Caroline' who is not talking about her delicious pickles and chutneys this time but about her adventures in Japan.

Visitors are always welcome to our meetings which are held on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall.

Gwyneth Simpson

The Village Notice Board

The village notice board, on the side of the Memorial Hall, is a good way of publicising village events and items of local information. Posters, ideally size A4 or A5, can be put up for you on this board. They can be delivered to John and Sandra Hetterley, 2, Orchard Field or given to them directly. They will be taken down once they are out of date. Other posters may be removed and recycled once they are faded or to make space for others.

Avening Community Orchard



Apple pressing and community orchard management Saturday October 12th.

Come up to the orchard (top corner of the playing field) and help with some habitat management and learn how we manage the area for wildlife and for our heritage apple and plum trees - 10am to 12pm. Equipment and biscuits provided! Bring gloves. Numbers of volunteers have declined steeply so any new faces and willing helpers of any age are welcome.



Collect some apples from the orchard or bring your own from any trees you have and take them to be pressed by the team at the village hall - 11am-2pm. Bring containers to take your juice home to enjoy or to turn into cider!



Here are some ways you can support Cobalt in the forthcoming months:

Coffee Morning & Christmas Card Sale 28th September 2024

Join us for a coffee morning at Linton House, GL53 7AS and the chance to choose your Christmas Cards. Parking in the next door church car park.

Mistletoe Fair 28th November 2024

Pop in between 5-7pm to do some Christmas gift shopping, enjoy mince pies and carols and see the reindeer. Free entrant but car parking limited.

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A Classical Music Evening at Parabola Arts Centre 19th October 2024

The Stroud Stragglers Fundraising Society are holding a classical evening of music at Parabola Arts Centre, in support of Cobalt. Come and join a fantastic night of music with Katya Apekisheva accompanied by Capriol Chamber Orchestra conducted by Jonathan Trim.

To find out more about Cobalt then visit www.cobalthealth.co.uk or email fundraising@cobalthealth.co.uk or call 01242 535922



Avening Youth Club



The Youth Club which is organised by The Door, is held every Tuesday in term time **6.30-8pm** in the Memorial Hall.

All children aged 8 to 14 are welcome and there is **NO CHARGE!**

Puzzle Answers

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- October 13** **Tetbury Comic-Con:** Comic book dealers, artists, writers and creators join cosplay for all ages and levels. 10.30-4.30 Tickets £6 in advance £3 under 16.
- October 18** **TJ Johnson Jazz Quartet:** An evening of jazz, blues and swing with one of the country's most charismatic jazz and blues singers. 7.30. Tickets in advance £15 £10 for under 25s
- October 20** **Tetbury Wool Fair:** Celebrate all things wool and weaving at our first ever wool fair with yarn manufacturers, spinners, dyers and felters. There are workshops, a knitting table and a corner for children to see Shaun the Sheep courtesy of Aardman. 10-4. Entrance free but please book workshops online.
- October 26** **Dusty, Cilla, Lulu and Pet:** Four singers who helped define the Swinging Sixties – come and hear their enduring songs sung by Samantha and her backing band. 7.30. Tickets £18 in advance.
- October 27** **A Dragon's Tale:** Come and watch Paul Batten of Theatrix Arts in an afternoon puppet show followed by a chance to make your own dragon puppet! 12pm and 3pm. Tickets £8 or £28 for a group of four with an adult.

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Avening Parish Council



Parish Council Vacancy:

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Dog Fouling

We have received reports of dog fouling. Please clean up after your dog. A reminder that dogs are not allowed into the children's play area. Anyone who fails to clear up after their dog can be issued with a Fixed Penalty Notice of up to £100. If the case goes to court this could cost the owner or person in charge of the animal up to £1,000. The law states that being unaware a dog has fouled or not having a suitable bag is not a reasonable excuse. If you witness dog fouling not being picked up, please report on the Cotswold District Council website. <https://www.cotswold.gov.uk/environment/litter-street-cleaning-and-dog-fouling/>

Planning Applications & Tree Works Since the Last Issue and Parish Councils Decision

New Planning Applications

4/02439/TCONR: Bannut Tree New Inn Lane. Yew trees x 5 (G1) - fell to allow repair work to be carried out to the collapsed wall as per structural engineers drawing i.e. bank to be excavated back by 2.5m (including the facing stone) which would mean removing the trees. As the repair work needs to be carried out urgently to reduce the safety hazard of further collapse, the trees need to be felled on 2nd September 2024 - Support.

24/02380/FUL: 1 Spinners Cottages, Longfords Mill. New entrance Porch (RETROSPECTIVE) – No Comment.

24/02250/FUL: 29 Sandford Leaze. Increase ground floor, with 2 small extensions - Support.

24/02126/FUL: Land Parcel Easting 387079 Northing 197991 West End Erection of agricultural barn – No Comment.

24/025442/FUL & 24/02543/LBC: Church Farm, Point Road – Conversion of a cart shed/garage into residential – Support.

24/01818/FUL: Star Lane Erection of an extension to an agriculture building at Land Grid ref 3884941 - Support

Cotswold District Council Planning Decisions

24/01807/CLEUD: Land Parcel Easting 387517 Northing 198301 Woodstock Lane. Certificate of Lawful Existing Use or Development under Section 191 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for use of a barn as a dwelling - Refused.

24/01818/FUL: Land At Grid Reference 388941 197571 Star Lane Erection of

an extension to an agricultural building

24/01682/COMPLY: Willow House 21 Tetbury Hill. Compliance with condition 3 (sample render), 4 (roof tile), 5 (design details) and 6 (Traffic Management Plan) of permission 23/01330/FUL - Erection of single storey rear extension and associated works - Permitted.

24/02019/FUL12: Star Lane Demolition of modern detached garage and single storey side extension. Erection of single and two storey extension to dwelling – Refused.

24/01180/LBC & 24/01179/FUL: 51 Nags Head Lane. Alterations and extensions to convert garage, erection of canopy and relocation of parking area and existing vehicular access - Permitted.

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Mobile Post Office	Tuesday	9.30am - 11.30pm	Social Club car park	
Cherington PC	Tuesday bi-monthly	6.00pm	Cherington Village hall	Richard Smith 07884 265117
Line Dancing	Tuesday	8.00 - 9.30 pm	Social Club	Social Club 01453 833760
Avening Youth Club	Every Tuesday in term time	6.30 – 8.00pm	Avening Memorial Hall	01453 756745
Avening Churchyard tidy up	Wednesday	6.00 - 7.00pm	Holy Cross churchyard	Churchwardens
Avening Art Group	Wednesday	10.00 – 12.00	Avening Park Farm	Community Café
Avening PC	2nd Wednesday each month	7.30pm	Memorial Hall	Shani Baker 07415 039234
Avening Cinema Club	Last Wednesday each month	7.30pm	Memorial Hall	avening Cinemaclub@gmail.com
Avening Church bell ringing	Wednesday	8.00-9.00pm	Church bell tower	Andrew Lelliott Aslelliott37@gmail.com
Avening W.I.	2nd Thursday each month	7.30pm	Social Club/ Memorial Hall	Liz 01453 833803
Fledglings for pre-schoolers	Fridays during term time	2.00 - 3.00pm	School Garden	Avening School
Fun Skittles	1st Saturday each month	7.30	Social Club	
Charity Quiz	1st Saturday each month	8.00pm	The Bell	
Avening Singers	Sunday	4.00pm	tba	Derrick Pierce 01453 835090



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