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THE PARISH PRIEST AND HIS TORMENTORS

We like to say at Cradley Church that people have worshipped God on the spot, been baptised, married and buried, for a thousand years, and at Mathon, only slightly less. The oldest carved stones at Cradley Church, famously, were part of an Anglo-Saxon preaching cross, now built horizontally into the fabric of the tower. The offices of parish priest and of rural dean go back just as far. So just what were they teaching here, a thousand years ago, and what did those people believe?

Helen Foxhall Forbes published in 2017 a book called *Heaven and Earth in Anglo-Saxon England*. In it, she describes how Wulfstan, Bishop of Worcester, expected in the early eleventh century that every Christian should know the Creed and the Pater Noster (Our Father), and it was the duty of the parish priest to teach them. I'd always assumed that people's grasp of their faith all those years ago was pretty sketchy. It comes as a shock to find that most people were probably better educated in Christian basics than many people are today. How far the average labourer in rural Herefordshire understood what they recited might, of course, be another matter. Parents and godparents of children who were too young to affirm their own faith were 'instructed to instil Christian belief and faith' in baptismal candidates as they grew up, as indeed they are today - implying that even then, with literacy levels presumably much lower than today, people were expected to know what they were about. Regular attendance on Sundays and on feast days, when bishops expected sermons to be preached, must of course have helped with that, and scholars like Aelfric and Wulfstan provided texts to help less learned parish priests in their duties, suggesting priests, at least, could read. Holy Communion was to be received, according to some sources, at least eighteen times a year - suggesting things had declined by the 1200s, when just two or three times a year - sometimes even once - seems to have been acceptable.

I remember a former bishop of mine, knowing my enthusiasm for the medieval church, telling me that the faith of the middle ages boiled down to little more than celebration of the saints and the cult of the dead. I know now that he was wrong!

I was ordained deacon in 1986 and priest in 1987. At that time, somebody sent me a copy of a woodcut from 1489 which I've kept to this day, taken from an *Epistle on the miseries of curates*. It was entitled *The parish priest and his tormentors: the bishop, the diocesan registrar, the patron, the parish council, the curate, the religious, the verger, the laity and the clergy-house cook*.

Plus ça change...? (Roughly translated, 'the more it changes, the more it stays the same.')

Your Rector,

ROBERT WARD

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MATHON CHURCH

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SIDESMEN

4 July	Mr Crouch
11 July	Mrs Pugh
18 July	Mrs Walker
25 July	Mr McKerracher
1 August	Mrs Cutler/Mrs Seymour

The Speaker on 25th July is Mrs Donna Jones.

K.B.S.

STRAWBERRY CREAM TEAS

At Cradley Church

Cream teas will be served at Cradley Church and Churchyard on Sunday afternoons between 3.00 and 5.00 p.m. starting on Sunday 11th July until Sunday August 29th inclusive.



Enjoy a scrumptious tea in delightful surroundings and bring your friends along too!



STORRIDGE CHURCH FLOWERS

4 July	Mrs V Allfrey
11 July	Mrs V Allfrey
18 July	Mrs R Thomas
25 July	Mrs R Thomas



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OPEN GARDENS

Please see separate notice regarding Open Gardens on 3 and 4 July.

There will be a variety of stalls at some of the gardens, including Plants, Books and CD's, Gifts, Cakes, Teas, and a Raffle.

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MATHON CHURCH MATTERS

At the Annual Parochial Church meeting, held on Monday 14th June, Karen Seymour and Nick Walker were thanked for all their hard work as churchwardens during the last year and both were re-elected for the ensuing year.

Services continue to be held in Mathon Church following the usual pattern, strictly adhering to the Covid regulations.

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STORRIDGE WI

Storrige WI had their first face to face meeting in May, held in a member's garden. The meeting was entitled 'Meet & Munch' and it was also the AGM. All members attended, including a visitor.

The resolution concerning Ovarian Cancer was passed unanimously. Notices were given out concerning the WFWI forthcoming trips and events.

Tea was served with the cutting and consuming of many and varied cakes and much chatting and catching up with fellow members. The competition was for 'gardening tips' – in which practical and useful ideas were exchanged. A raffle for a lovely plant was won by our visitor. As this was a garden meeting, a plant swap followed, which ended a very enjoyable afternoon.

Talking of which, our June meeting is an outing to Little Malvern Court, which includes tea and a talk by the head gardener.

JOAN PROSSER
Secretary Storrige WI

Cradley Mathon & Storrige TEENY TOTS play group



welcomes parents or carers and little ones (age 0-5) to stay and play.

**Thursdays at Storrige Village Hall
10.30 a.m. to 12.00 noon.
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Occasionally meets at Cradley School.

Come and join in!

For information please contact:

Rachel: 07790890183

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HMRC spends about two months collating income and tax data following the end of the tax year. This will include all the information they receive from employers and pension administrators about income paid and tax deducted at source via the PAYE system. Once satisfied, HMRC will start a process called reconciliation where they calculate if you have paid the right tax. For most people, everything works as it should do and they don't hear anything from HMRC. However, if there is a discrepancy, HMRC will send a calculation with either a refund or a request that you make a payment.

If you receive one of these tax calculations known as a P800 (a computer generated form) the information may be incorrect. For example, the savings listed might be estimated, a source of income duplicated or an adjustment of tax for a previous year might be incorrect.

The tax calculation needs to be checked by using the following documents:

P60: If you are an employee or receive a pension and tax is taken at source then the employer or pension administrator must provide you with a P60 after the tax year ends. This will show the amount of pay or pension paid for the year and the tax that was deducted.

P45: When you leave employment or receive a lump sum pension payment that empties the pension pot you should quickly receive a P45. This will show the total pay and any tax deducted since the start of the tax year.

P11d: If you are an employee receiving non cash benefits (e.g. company car, health scheme) your employer should provide a P11d showing the taxable value of the benefits.

P2: This is a tax coding notice sent annually by HMRC. It tells you how your tax code is calculated, including your tax allowances, It will also show any

adjustments for tax that might be owed for previous tax years.

Saving & Interest Statements: Basic rate taxpayers can have £1000 savings interest tax free each year so detailed checking of your interest is only important if you think you may exceed this. Also remember ISA interest is automatically tax free so doesn't count at all.

Dividend Certificates: If you have company shares the dividend income may lead to a tax liability. Since 2018/19 the Dividend Allowance has been £2000 pa so if your dividend income is above this you are likely to be due to pay some tax (unless you are on a low income generally and everything is covered by the Personal Allowance plus the Dividend Allowance). A Dividend Certificate is normally provided automatically with each dividend payment.

This is not an exhaustive list of useful documents for a tax review but should be enough for most.

Check all the figures against your end of year paperwork. Are your allowances correct? Your Personal Allowance and, if eligible, the Married Couples Allowance (only available to those born before 6th April 1935) Blind Persons Allowance and Marriage Allowance. Are the adjustments correct? It's not unusual to see a figure here when the amount has already been paid or in a payment plan.

If you are concerned contact HMRC and ask them to explain. If you fail to get a satisfactory answer speak to a tax advisor/accountant or tax charity.

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CRADLEY AND STORRIDGE PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL MEETING May 25th 2021

This is a double report because our May meeting wasn't held until May 25th due to changing advice about Covid 19. The Annual Meeting of the Parish Council took place in person immediately after the Annual Parish Meeting (reported elsewhere). Council noted the resignation of Cllr David Kingston, wished him well, and expressed thanks for his contribution.

The Annual Meeting is focused on business processes. Cllr Anne Scarsbrook was elected Chair for a third year, and Cllr Diane Merker was elected Vice Chair. Council agreed some changes to its working groups. The Communications, Employment, NDP Monitoring and Churchyards working groups were disbanded, and the Recreation and Environment working groups were combined. A new group was set up to cover Highways. Each group has a minimum of 3 councillors, and we are aware that as there are only 7 councillors at present we are stretched rather thinly! Members of working groups don't have to be councillors – so if you are interested in any of these areas, we'd love to have some volunteers. Please contact the clerk if you would like to know more.

Our lengthsman has decided to concentrate on growing his business providing outdoor activities for young people and so has resigned from his role with the council. We are very grateful for his efforts around the parish, and wish him well for the future. We are advertising for a new lengthsman now and hope to secure a replacement as soon as possible. In the meantime some tasks may not be done as rapidly as usual and councillors will be emptying bins in recreation grounds until a new contractor is appointed. We hope that parishioners will be tolerant of the inevitable reduction in service.

Finally, although we are all sorry to see the Butchery close, Council welcomed the prospect of a new shop on the site and we hope that this will soon be established as a valued local community store.

It didn't seem very long before Council met again as scheduled on June 8th. It was really good to see a number of people from the parish coming along again – all council meetings are open to the public, and you are very welcome to attend and raise any issues or comment on council business at any meeting.

We discussed three important projects:

New benches and tables for Chapel Lane and Buryfields have been ordered and should be installed by the end of the month.

We've been discussing adding a sensory garden at Chapel Lane. We looked at a draft plan (which we think will really improve the space) but we will be putting our plans out for comments. Look out for them on our website soon.

We got a lot of informal feedback last year in favour of a traffic regulation order to close the lane between the entry to Pixiefields and the junction with Chockbury Lane to motor vehicles. We've been working on this with Herefordshire Council, and they're now moving ahead with their process. The first stage is to carry out a more formal consultation with people who live in the area – you may be contacted, and we'll make sure that the consultation is publicised when it happens.

Finally, back to council business. Every year we publish our accounts and parishioners have the opportunity to inspect the council's books and records. Our publication date will be June 28th, and the books and records will be available for inspection for 6 weeks after that.

The parish council meets next on Tuesday, July 13th, at 7.00 p.m. in Cradley village hall. Please do come along if you'd like to raise anything with the council, or contact the clerk through the website (cradleyparishcouncil.gov.uk) or clerk@cradleyparishcouncil.gov.uk.

PHIL STRIPLIN
Clerk

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If so, you are not alone. Mobile users across the globe (including many of your local policing team) have been receiving messages like the one to the left.

These messages are actually linked to a banking Trojan (concealed malware) called "FluBot". This threat disguises itself as a legitimate text from a delivery company and asks receivers to install a tracking app in

order to track the status of the package, when in fact its intention is to steal credentials and other personal data.

How to protect yourself from FluBot?

First and foremost, install an antivirus solution that detects threats like Flubot on your mobile device. You can further protect yourself from FluBot and other mobile phishing attacks by following the advice below:

- Do not click on links in SMS messages - especially if a message is asking you to install software or apps on your devices.
- Be a sceptic - err on the side of caution with any suspicious SMS. If you receive a communication you weren't expecting, it is always best to call the company yourself using the contact information provided on their legitimate website, to confirm the message received
- Don't reply directly to suspicious communication - Always begin a new communication via the company's official service channels.
- Question the message - It is important that you train your eyes to detect phishing messages. These tend to be generic and spread to the masses, as well as automated messages or messages that present an offer that seems too good to be true (i.e. how to win a new smartphone or inherit a large sum of money from an unknown family member).
- Do not install apps from anywhere but the official app stores - Most major companies have their own apps available for download at trusted stores like Google Play or the Apple App Store. Also, set your mobile device's security to only install apps from trusted sources like Google Play or the Apple App Store.

Awareness is the key for defending against phishing scams such as FluBot, and at a time when many are distracted by world events it is understandable that there has been a rise in successful attacks. If anyone you know has had a message like this, please do share the above information with them and report it via Action Fraud.

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CRADLEY WI

Our June meeting ,hopefully our last zoom meeting, saw HFWI representative Shirley Edgar tell us about the Associated Country Women of the World (ACWW) - a global charity founded in 1929 to support and educate women in rural areas across the world. ACWW holds consultative status to the UN so is in a strong position to influence. The ACWW has several areas across the world, each with an area president. Their fundraising goes towards projects and we were amazed by how little funding they have for each worthwhile project but each project has such an impact on the women in that area. What amazed us was that all these women undertake this work as volunteers. The familiar 'Pennies for Friendship' jar on many WI entrance tables goes towards the general fund of the ACWW to link the very small office staff in London to the worldwide areas and produce the educational material. More Information can be found on www.acww.org.uk .

Thanks to Joy for continuing to collect donations and taking them to Ledbury food bank .Donations can be left in the box on the porch at 1 Huntingdon.

The May book club's initial date was rained off but, undeterred, our literary ladies met the following week. The book club list of titles has now been extended to cover to the end of the WI new year which is now March 2022. Thanks to Jan for organising that. The committee are planning the programme for the remainder of the year and are (provisionally) booking speakers to come to the hall. I say provisionally as at the time of writing we are still not 100% certain that the restrictions will be lifted. However under current restrictions, 17 of us met for our first 'real' lunch club at the Oak Staplow, and what a convivial lunch club it was, good food and good company on a lovely day. We were delighted to welcome three of our new members. A very warm welcome to Di, Lesley and Jane who have all recently moved to Cradley. Roll on our next lunch club in August.

But before that we will be having a garden meeting in July - members will be sent details. We are planning a WI produce show at our August meeting which will be the first back in the hall, so get growing ladies! And yours truly will be having an Open Garden on Saturday August 7th 10.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m. at Wood End Cottage WR13 5JW for Herefordshire Federation of WIs and Cradley WI, admission £4 with refreshments (and of course cake) available to purchase. Everyone welcome. See the poster on page 18 and contact me for more details.

MAUREEN SULLIVAN

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EXCERPTS FROM PARISH MAGAZINES

Once again we look at the pages of the Newsletter, other than the village news. This time, from September 1897

'Bob' **A Crimean Veteran**

'Bob' was indeed a Crimean veteran, for he served all through that terrible and glorious campaign and was awarded a medal for his services which he always wore round his neck.

'Bob' joined the First Battalion Scots Fusiliers Guards, and in 1854 he sailed with them to Malta, whence he accompanied them to Scutari, on the declaration of war with Russia, and landed with them in the Crimea.

On the 20th September 1854 was fought the memorial battle of the Alma. 'Bob' was there. His regiment crossed the river with the First Division under the gallant 'General Sir Colin Campbell', to support the Light Division.

With fixed bayonets they charged the advancing Russians. Many a brave man's name was returned among the list of 'missing' and in that list 'Bob's' name was also placed. Three days passed and all hope was given up. But he joined again on the 24th October for the battle of Balaclava. He had the honour of being present during the charge of the Light Brigade.

The 5th November found 'Bob' on the heights of Inkerman. Early on that dark foggy morning the roar of the guns roused him and through the long-fought day he watched the struggle until night fell. By his faithfulness and merry ways, he helped to keep up the spirits of the men. 'Bob' knew the sound of firing and must have been clever in getting out of the way of shot and shell.

'Bob' was present when at last the final capture of Sebastopol crowned our soldiers' efforts with success. During the night he must have been scared by the noise of the violent explosions within the doomed city.

It was a city of burning ruins which fell into their hands, peopled by the dead and dying, for the Russians evacuated the place in such haste they left behind hundreds of their wounded among burning smoking rubbish.

At the close of the war 'Bob' returned to England and marched into London at the head of his corps, proud to share the reception given to our gallant soldiers.

For several years 'Bob' continued to attend his Regiment during their peaceful marches in England. One Saturday morning, he was returning as usual with the First Battalion Fusilier Guards to their barracks. Sad it is to record that 'Bob', who had escaped the perils of Alma, Balaclava and Inkerman, and who had survived so many dangers by land and sea was killed by a passing cart.

Thus was brought to a close the career of this 'celebrated dog'. His faithfulness through the Crimean campaign made him worthy of the medal awarded to him, and his story deserves to be remembered by those who love and value our four-footed friends.

Contributed by JOAN PROSSER
Member of the Heritage Group

APPOINTMENT OF NEW TREASURER

We are very pleased to inform our readers and advertisers that with effect from June 1st our new Treasurer is:

Emily Hodkin

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Malvern

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We all wish her the very best and look forward to working with her.

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STORRIDGE VILLAGE HALL NEWS

The winners of the June 100 Club draw were:

First	Matthew White
Second	Jean-Claude Fouque
Third	Viv Scully
Fourth	Steven Kent

If you want to see all the winners, they are on our website storrIDGEvillagehall.com.

If you would like to join the draw, look on the website for a registration form or contact me.

JACKIE WHITE
Secretary
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CRADLEY CHURCH



SUNDAY SUMMER CREAM TEAS

11th July ~ 29th August

3pm ~ 5pm

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THE 3 VILLAGES VISITING GROUP ARE YOU, OR DO YOU KNOW SOMEONE WHO FEELS LONELY?



The Visiting Group is made up of a small number of volunteers who offer visits to anyone who may appreciate some company, whether it be for a catch up and a chat or maybe to share reading a book or just sit, whilst a partner goes out

Or perhaps you would enjoy the opportunity to share time together, by playing scrabble, chess, cards, including a hand of cribbage or doing crossword puzzles or any other games

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EVERGREEN CATCH-UP

"Whether the weather be fine or whether the weather be not. Whether the weather be cold or whether the weather be hot, we'll weather the weather, whatever the weather, whether we like it or not".

Well, we have weathered the weather, as well as other major events over the last year or so. But I must say I'm enjoying this beautiful sunshine, as are the plants in the garden. My beans are almost at the top of their sticks and at long last my sweet peas have surged into life. My spuds look really well, as do my onions, beetroots not so good, broad beans already in flower. Not many flowers on my tomatoes but plenty of greenery. The only thing I don't like about this sort of weather is the rate the grass grows and the endless watering of my pots. But mustn't grumble.

We had a trip to Anglesey to see our eldest, Matthew, for his 50th birthday at the end of May. We managed to have three really good days with blue skies and sunshine, seeing lovely beaches and even paddling in the sea. But on the fourth day we experienced the wrath of the worst storm ever with continuous heavy "Welsh" rain and terrific storm force winds. The next day was our return home. The water from the previous day's rain, cascading down the mountains into the rivers which were boiling with the quantity of water, was so incredible to see. We battled along the mountain roads but only encountered one flood which wasn't a problem. An arduous journey home but very picturesque.

We're looking forward to our next adventure, perhaps to our very favourite place – Lyme Regis. Let's see what happens on June 21st.

Hope you're all managing to get out and about a bit and enjoying the good weather and getting a good dose of vitamin D.

Eleanor Dennis, one of our Evergreen members for many years, celebrated her 100th birthday on May 26th. Many congratulations from your Evergreen family and many virtual hugs.

And finally: What is Sisu? "A strength of will, determination, perseverance and acting rationally in the face of adversity." Food for thought!

Speak soon, lots of love to you all.

CHRIS ORFORD
Club leader 01886 880387

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THE BALANCE OF ENERGY

Last month I introduced the concept of negative energy, and have had some reader curiosity on this, which forms a good introduction to this article.

For a swinging pendulum, when it reaches its highest point, then the relative kinetic energy of motion is zero while its gravitation potential energy is highest. When at its lowest point the kinetic energy of motion is at its maximum while its gravitational potential energy is lowest. The sum of the two is always constant. It loses kinetic energy to gain gravitational potential energy in height above the Earth, and vice versa. It is the same for orbiting masses around each other in their own gravitational fields, such as planets around the sun (speed vs. distance).

Consider a rocket taking off. It has to expend energy to rise. The attractive force varies inversely as the square of the separation distance. If we consider the force between them is effectively zero when they are infinitely separated, the gravitational binding energy is then also, and so must have started negative when they were together to become zero when they are far apart. All systems tend to their lowest state of potential energy releasing surplus.

I will talk about particles in detail next time. The nuclear fusion process in the sun works because the 4 protons (nuclear particles) when separate as 4 hydrogen atoms have more mass than when two protons are together with two neutrons originating from the other two protons, are bound up as 1 helium atom. It takes $15,000,000^{\circ}$ K to overcome the energy barrier for that fusion process to occur, the core temperature, and on average about 30,000 years of time span for a single helium atom to be produced in some instant. The end combined product has less energy than the sum of the separated parts. The difference is the energy released from the core fusion reaction. The power generated is about 4×10 to the power of 20 megawatts, which is a mass loss of about 4 million tons per second, almost nothing compared with the mass of the sun (2×10 to the power of 30 kg).

It takes about 300,000 years for the gamma rays generated to appear as heat and mostly visible light at the surface, then 8 minutes to earth. It is the solar energy received on earth. At our location calculated from my solar array data logging, it is a solar insolation of about 650kWatt-hours per square metre per year averaged over the seasons. (I still have a Co2 emission carbon footprint from National grid usage of 4 tons/year).

The solar energy received is responsible for all atmospheric effects, used by plants etc. through photosynthesis, and hence by us to recover through burning fossil fuel to generate power. The heat within the earth has a different origin, from the initial solar nebula and radioactive decay.

All molecular structure and chemical reactions are

a result of the binding energy of electron configurations being at a lower energy level than higher state configurations. We use breaking these higher state barriers for petrol combustion in cars or planes, generation of electricity from carbon fuels etc.

Now for black holes and the universe. Last month, I explained the basic concepts of general relativity, the presence of mass bending space-time around it, departing from flat Euclidean geometry. The degree of curvature is proportional to the mass and inversely to the distance from it. I explained that clocks run slower the stronger the gravitational field and distances are perceived lengthened in the same proportion, so the ratio, the speed of light, is always the same. Just as the rocket in the above example, light itself moving outwards from the earth, has to give up some of its energy to gain gravitational potential energy by lowering its frequency. Hence the differences in time clock rates on earth to that in satellite orbits, which has to be allowed for when mobile phones synchronise with satellites for navigation. Although these are a very small difference for the earth, they become significant for a massive star collapsing into a black hole, or close to a super massive black hole which could be millions to billions of solar masses.

If we had infinite time to watch the collapse of a massive star into a black hole, we would see brightness shift from the visible into the red and infrared and far infrared as the light frequencies shift in wavelength to longer and longer wavelengths, slower and slower frequency. We would never see the final collapse through the point of no return, the event horizon, as time slows to the point it is at a standstill.

Within the event horizon, lightspeed is insufficient to escape. Then the concept of within it, is only in our minds. A different universe. While its presence still can be detected as an unseen mass, the shadow cast by a super massive black hole on its surrounding very hot emitting accretion disc has been radio imaged with the event horizon network telescope project, much publicized last year. An example of a repeating gravitational wave is the ocean tides (a distortion) on the earth due to the pull of the Moon and the sun.

When two massive stars or black holes orbit each other, they gradually give off gravitational waves reducing their energy. They spin around each other increasingly fast, and merge in a few seconds, to form a single black hole. Releasing the equivalent gravitational vibration energy of several stellar masses in just a few seconds. The vibrations shake the universe and these can now be detected by 3 upgraded super sensitive long baseline laser interferometers, sensitive to vibrations of a fraction of a proton in size, in the form of a rising frequency chirp. It is now thought that the merging of neutron stars is responsible for most of the gold in the universe.

THE BALANCE OF ENERGY

With the universe continually expanding and every point moving away from every other point equally and in proportion to distance, as I described by the surface of an expanding balloon, we don't see any curvature and nothing can get round it due to the continual expansion and it looks as if it is flat and infinite. It does not expand into anything because we are the observer within it; the rest is in our mind.

We can never see back to the beginning of the universe because expansion has been so great in the meantime that its origin will be travelling at the speed of light, which is unachievable by any material object. That is the event horizon, and this may astound you.... we are in a black hole which is the universe itself. As we look out, we are looking back in history to a smaller and smaller universe but the scaling factor of time and distance is stretched more and more and visible stars are shifted in colour more and more into the infrared, back to the point where there were no stars anyway. That is why the sky at night looks dark rather than a blaze of light from all the stars back to the beginning.

The total positive energy of the universe is the sum of the mass of its particles, times the square of the speed of light, and the negative gravitational energy that extends throughout the universe, and its positive the kinetic energy from expansion, that ensures the overall balance is zero.

In all, the binding forces (there are several between different types of particles (to be discussed next time) are all negative and exactly balance all the total positive energy to make it overall zero. We don't have to worry about where the energy came from to form the universe; it is just a redistribution of positives and negatives, as also with positive and negative electric charges, adding up to nothing.

CHRIS BADDILEY

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CRADLEY SCHOOL

Healthy Schools Week: During the week of 24th May, we enjoyed Healthy Schools Week with a wide range of activities for the children.

On Wednesday 26th May the children enjoyed taking part in their own Race for Life to help raise funds for Cancer Research. Well done to everyone for taking part and for raising an amazing £1,361!! Also a big thank you to local company Awarded2U for the kind donation of the winner's trophy for the winning house Elgar who completed the most laps.



The children enjoyed tasting lots of delicious fruit for healthy schools week, whilst also learning about a healthy and balanced diet



Class 1 learned about how much sugar is in their favourite drinks.



Class 1 enjoyed some cosmic yoga sessions!



KS1 learned about what makes a good friend and created friendship bracelets

CRADLEY SCHOOL

Wye Valley Falconry Visit: On Friday 28th May Nursery, Class 1 & 2 were treated to an amazing surprise with a visit from Luke and the beautiful birds of prey from Wye Valley Falconry, as part of their 'Carnival of the Animals' topic. The children, if they wanted, took turns to hold Trench, a white faced owl which originates from North Africa.



Bellboating Trip: On Tuesday 8th June, Years 4, 5 and 6 went bellboating on the River Severn. They set off from Upton marina and paddled up-stream towards Hanley Castle, stopping halfway in the shade for a snack on the boat. They then continued paddling until lunchtime. In the afternoon, having built up their confidence, they were able to paddle standing up and some children even challenged themselves with the "catwalk" walking up and down the middle of the boat! They were so lucky with the weather and spotted wildlife including cygnets and ducklings. It was a pleasure to take all the children on this trip and they represented the school brilliantly.





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Limited parking is available

THE LAST BUS

The Wednesday bus no longer ran into town. With it had gone the mid-week market, the site closed and awaiting redevelopment.

Regularly Ralph and Gyp had crossed the common to the bus and the driver's usual greeting, "Much of a bag this week then?"

Ralph would chuckle, "Gyp's a gettin' old like me an' them rabbits is a gettin' quicker!"

His nose pressed against the glass Gyp stared expectantly out from Ralph's lap as the bus groaned painfully into town. Behind the redundant livestock pens in the square, where Gyp always tugged on his lead hopefully looking through the rails for any sheep to herd, Ralph tipped out his hessian sack on the trestle table in the corrugated sales shed and waited his turn.

"Do you want them to go single or in pairs?" asked the porter, resplendent in his brown overall coat and waving a glue brush.

"That big 'un can go on 'is own I s'pose, but t'others is on the small side so best put 'em up in twos this week."

"Five lots there should still get yer bus fare out on 'em, Ralph boy," the porter laughed back, gluing numbers to fur.

"Begger that, Wilf old son! What about me pint and cheese at The Drovers?"

Gyp liked The Drovers. It was cool under the wooden bench and he could doze on the flagstone floor before the bus left the square in the afternoon.

Another bus ran on Saturdays now. Ralph had taken it once, crammed in with rowdy teenagers and Gyp always at risk beneath their feet.

The new clothing stalls set up along Broad Street held no attractions and none of the old Wednesday regulars were in The Drovers. A television blared sports coverage while the Saturday lad struggled to get drinks into glasses and Gyp cowered, bristling, behind Ralph's legs. There were no seats or cheese or pickles, only crisps in peculiar flavours.

Without his rabbit money to spend Ralph was soon heading for the bus.

Each Wednesday Ralph still walked to the old hay meadow by the bridge where Gyp had never failed to run down a dinner and return panting proudly to present it.

Ralph's mind wandered over the sun-stippled grass from where he sat on the small mound under the hedge. A short while ago the earth there had been too soft to take his weight. Now, beneath bright new grass, it was firm, and already scratched at by rabbits as if the green hump on the meadow bank had always been there.

Reaching for a branch jutting from the neglected hawthorns he pulled himself up, listening for the accustomed thud of paws on the hard ground and Gyp's excited breathing ready for the return run. At the lane Ralph looked back along the hedge to the rabbit burrows, his thoughts catching up with him. The final words of Wilfred the auction porter came clearly to his mind.

"Twenty-seven years I've done this job every single Wednesday, Ralph mate, twenty-seven flippin' years an' all they could say was 'make certain you gives us yer coat back!' Give it back to un? Too flippin' right I will an' tell un where they can flippin' 'ang it an' all!"

Gyp had been warm sitting upright against Ralph's chest, intently surveying the world from the window of the returning bus on that last Wednesday.

"So many sudden changes," thought Ralph, feeling for the familiar leather collar always beneath his hand. Coiled, now empty and cold, in his pocket.

JONATHAN CLAY

PLANNING AN EVENT?

To avoid clashes of dates and venues, please remember to check the diary at the back of this *Newsletter*

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HERFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

A message from Dr Ellie Chowns

Hello everyone – I hope you are enjoying the sunshine as much as me! As I write this column early one morning in mid-June, the birds are singing and it's a cloudless sky once again. Despite the delay to the final stage of lifting lockdown, I know I have been appreciating the fact that we can now meet family and friends more easily. And I am incredibly grateful to the wonderful NHS that has vaccinated so many of us so quickly. Fingers crossed that we really are emerging from the pandemic now...

There is a lot to do in terms of recovery, which is why as a council we are currently working on a £6 million recovery plan, centred around helping to boost the local economy, and supporting residents' wellbeing. Consultation on the plan is in progress and it will be launched in early July. It includes measures to tackle unemployment, to support local businesses, and to support residents with mental health and wellbeing – all vital parts of the recovery.

At the end of May the council held its AGM. For me this was an opportunity to look back on the last years, which has been challenging for so many people – and for the council too.

We are very much looking forward now, though – and I am delighted to report that we have a new Chief Executive in place, who I am sure will provide the energetic and capable leadership needed to navigate the coming months and years! His name is Paul Walker and he is a very experienced council officer, who was previously a Chief Exec in a rural Lakeland authority, so he brings lots of very relevant experience. Paul is clearly a 'doer' and is bringing a welcome, renewed focus and energy to several key challenges that the council faces.

One of those challenges is the need to respond to a very critical High Court judgement in April regarding the council's Children's Services department. The judgement relates to a case that stretches back to 2012. The case has highlighted some very serious issues, and the council is taking major steps to set things right. We now have a new Interim Director of Children's Services in place plus several other new key staff, and an Improvement Partner appointed by the Department for Education. We've conducted a full review of all children's care cases to identify any other issues of concern, and a detailed Improvement Plan is being developed and implemented. We have appointed a new Cabinet Member and a new Chair of the Children's Scrutiny Committee. And we've put in place new whistle-blowing mechanisms, and an email address that any resident can contact if you have any concerns you would like to raise about experiences with Children's Services: careconcerns@herefordshire.gov.uk.

I am personally deeply sorry and saddened by what has come to light. It was shocking to find that there had been so much drift and delay in how the

case had been handled over many years. The judgement has highlighted the need for further improvement to how we, as councillors, carry out our oversight and challenge function – because the issues simply had not come to light through the monthly 'Children's Performance Challenge' and 'Corporate Parenting Panel' sessions that I try to attend every month. However I am really hopeful that, now that the issues are fully recognised, and action is being taken to address them, the situation will improve – and I am committed to asking even more, and tougher, questions to scrutinise the council's work in this vital area.

Another key challenge the council faces is the need to ensure that infrastructure projects are delivered on time and to budget. This should of course be standard practice, but unfortunately hasn't always been achieved. Our administration has now introduced robust project management for all our capital projects, to ensure they have the attention and oversight needed.

And we have some exciting capital projects to look forward to! For example, just last week we got the fantastic news that the Hereford Towns Fund bid has been awarded £22.4 million to invest in projects to boost the city. If you haven't yet had a chance to look at the Stronger Hereford bid, I highly recommend having a look at the website: <https://strongerhereford.co.uk/>. There's a 2-minute video animation that explains the vision. The projects in the bid were agreed by a diverse and dynamic Towns Fund Board made up of representatives from business, the community sector, and the council. I've been the council's rep on the Board, but it's very much a team effort! I'm really pleased that the vision of a 'green and fair' Hereford has won so much support, and I am very excited about the next stage! Each project now needs to submit more detailed plans, and then a full business case, so it will take a year or so until construction can actually start, but we're on the way!

The Towns Fund is central government funding, allocated to 100 towns across the country. But of course in Herefordshire we are very conscious that we need to invest in the whole of the county, not just the city. That is why our administration has set aside £20 million for investment in employment land and economic development in the five market towns. Over the past 9 months we have been supporting the market towns to develop their own Economic Development Investment Plans as a basis for identifying projects that could be funded either from council funds or government funds.

The reports are nearly finished now – I'm going to a meeting about this today – and I am really hopeful that this will give us a great platform for generating more investment all around the county. (Please note - I haven't forgotten about the rural areas! The next step is to make a plan for rural economic development investment – but of course the market

HERFORDSHIRE COUNCIL

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towns are key hubs for the rural areas too).

So, overall there is a lot to feel positive about. The council has had a lot to deal with in the past couple of years – on top of all the day to day challenges of potholes and drains! – but we have all been working our socks off to identify and address any problems, and to maximise investment in the future of Herefordshire.

There's lots more of course – I've run out of space here to talk about the work we are doing on sustainable transport, and our ongoing very hard work to try to address phosphate pollution in the Lugg and Wye catchments – so I will update you on those in my next column. Until then, I hope you enjoy the sunshine and the opportunity to spend time with family and friends in the sunshine! Keep well, and please do get in touch if you would like my help with anything:

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All the very best, Ellie
DR ELLIE CHOWNS

ON THIS DAY

July 1st 1899: The Gideon Society was founded in Janesville, Wisconsin. It placed bibles in hotel rooms, hospitals, prisons, military bases and college campuses, all funded by donations to the society.

July 1st 2020: In Salerno in Italy police discovered a record haul of 14 tonnes of amphetamines valued at \$1.1 billion. It was thought to have been produced by IS in Syria.

July 5th 1994: Jeff Bezos founded Cadabra, changing the name to Amazon a few months later because a lawyer was heard mispronouncing the name "cadaver". Originally the company sold only books. Now, selling virtually everything under the sun, its sales have risen to \$386 billion with profits of \$21 billion. One estimate places Bezos's current wealth at \$187 billion.

July 6th 1947: The AK47 or "Kalashnikov's automated rifle" went into production in the Soviet Union. It was designed to be solid and reliable, requiring minimum maintenance. It is estimated that about 75 million AK47s have been manufactured around the world, many of them illegal copies of the original.

July 9th 1795: Financier James Swan took on the entire debt of \$2,024,899 owed by the US to France. He then resold the debt at a profit on the domestic US market. He then travelled to France where he was imprisoned for debt in 1808 and was only released in 1830 shortly before his death.

July 9th 1990: 15 miles of the Cumbrian coastline was declared unsafe due to leaks of radioactive material from Sellafield.

July 13th 1883: Circus midget "General Tom Thumb" died aged 45. He was part of P.T. Barnum's "Greatest Show on Earth" for more than 40 years. Charles Edward Stratton was 25 inches tall when Barnum found him and he eventually reached a height of 40 inches.

July 15th 1099: Christian crusaders led by Godfrey of Bouillon, on a mission organised by Pope Urban 2nd, captured the city of Jerusalem, killing many of its Jewish and Muslim citizens.

July 15th 1971: "We intend to remain alive. Our neighbours want to see us dead. This is not a question that leaves much room for compromise." Golda Meir, Israeli Prime Minister.

July 18th 1938: Douglas "Wrong Way" Corrigan landed his single engine plane after taking off from New York the previous day. His flight plan showed his destination as California after his request for a transatlantic flight was denied but he actually flew across the Atlantic to Dublin. He claimed that he got lost in fog and took a wrong turn when his compass failed. The authorities were not convinced and suspended his license. However by the time he arrived back in New York his license suspension had been lifted and he had become a national celebrity.

July 19th 1980: The Moscow Olympics opened. The USA and 65 other countries boycotted the event in protest against the Russian invasion of Afghanistan. By way of retaliation the Russians boycotted the 1984 Olympics in Los Angeles.

July 22nd 1796: The city of Cleaveland in Ohio was renamed after the editor of the local newspaper found that the original name was too long for his banner headline. It is therefore now known as Cleveland.

July 23rd 1931: France announced that it could not afford to send a national team to the 1932 Olympics in Los Angeles.

July 25th 2019: A new record high temperature for the UK was recorded in Cambridge - 38.7° C or 101.66° Fahrenheit.

July 29th 1566: Agnes Waterhouse, from the village of Hatfield Peverel, became the first woman in England to be executed for witchcraft. She was accused of turning her cat into a toad which later turned into a dog with horns. She denied all the charges but was found guilty and hanged.

July 31st 1936: Tokyo was named as the host city for the 1940 Summer Olympic Games, partly because Japanese athletes had performed well at the 1932 games in Los Angeles, coming 5th in the medal table, ahead of Britain, Australia and Germany amongst others. Japanese officials also persuaded other countries including Britain and Italy to withdraw their candidate cities. However in 1938 the Japanese government cancelled the event in order to commit all available resources to the war they were then fighting in China.

IAN THOMPSON



A COMMUNITY CELEBRATION

**Saturday 25th September
On the Church Lawn**

2pm-5pm

Come and enjoy a great day out for all the family.

After a long and difficult year, in a spirit of optimism, some community fun and entertainment is being planned to bring us back together with an afternoon which we hope will have something for everyone.

Stalls galore....

Bar, Music, Teas, Entertainment, etc.

Market Stalls will be available **free** of charge to any club, society, or organisation wanting to take part.

If you would like to book a stall or run an attraction, please contact Jan Dampney:

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CRADLEY SURGERY NEWSLETTER

Dr Patsy Dye
Dr Chris Spruce
July 2021

Summer is coming! Even in our poor English summers it is always important to protect your skin. We know that sunlight is good for us - it is necessary for making vitamin D to promote healthy bones, but too much sun or sun on unprotected skin can cause painful burns and increase your risk of skin cancer.

In 2015 there were 15,415 new cases of melanoma (the worse kind of skin cancer) in the UK...86% of these were preventable. All of these cases were linked to major lifestyle factors, with direct exposure to too much sun being the biggest factor, and then sunbeds and other radiation exposure being second.

Here in Cradley we are lucky to be surrounded by wonderful countryside and many of our patients are employed in outside occupations or enjoy walking/fishing/riding etc. in our beautiful county, so lots of us are out in the sun a lot. Gentlemen with thinning hair are particularly at risk as they often overlook the need for sunscreen 'up top'. A hat is even better.

Look for a high protection factor sunscreen but remember this does not allow you to stay out in the sun longer; it still blocks only 96% of harmful rays and must be reapplied every 2 hours. So remember you need to slip on a shirt, slap on a hat, slop on the sunscreen, seek shade.

Choice of GP Appointments: We are trialling a choice of appointments for our patients since the easing of some restrictions. We are able to offer telephone appointments or face to face appointment with the doctors. These appointments can be booked on the day with the duty doctor if urgent, or, if routine, then we can pre-book with your preferred GP. Our receptionists will still need to ask some brief questions about your symptoms.

Dispensary: May we ask that when our patients who take regular medications plan their holidays that they also plan their medication too? If you would normally need to renew your medication during your time away it is important that you give our dispensary team as much notice as possible if you need them to get medications ready earlier than we normally would have done for to take away on holiday with you.

New Members to Our Team: We are very lucky to have been recently joined by Tara Purcell (Frailty Care Co-ordinator) and Sian Nunn (Occupational Therapist). Between them they have a wealth of knowledge to help support our vulnerable patients and their families at home.

Social Services: Did you know that anyone can contact Social Services for initial help and advice directly? You don't have to go via the GP.

Privacy Notice: We have recently updated our privacy notice. You can view this on our website.

Stay Safe

DR PATSY DYE

THE AGE THING

- A recent study has found that women who carry a little extra weight live longer than men who mention it.
- I may not be that funny or athletic or good looking or smart or talented. I forgot where I was going with this.
- A thief broke into my house last night. He started searching for money so I got up and searched with him.
- I think I'll just put an "Out of Order" sticker on my forehead and call it a day.
- Having plans sounds like a good idea until you have to put on clothes and leave the house.
- It's weird being the same age as old people.
- When I was a kid I wanted to be older. This is not what I expected.
- Life is like a helicopter. I don't know how to operate a helicopter.
- It's probably my age that tricks people into thinking that I'm an adult.
- Marriage Counsellor: "Your wife says you never buy her flowers. Is that true?" Him: "To be honest I never knew she sold flowers."
- I see people about my age mountain climbing; I feel good getting my leg through my underwear without losing my balance.
- If you can't think of a word say "I forgot the English word for it." That way people will think you're bilingual instead of an idiot.
- I'm at a place in life where essential shopping is starting to count as going out.
- I'm at that age where my mind still thinks I'm 29, my humour suggests I'm 12 while my body mostly keeps asking if I'm sure I'm not dead yet.
- I'm getting tired of being part of a major historical event.
- I don't always go the extra mile but when I do it's because I missed my exit.

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Cradley and Storrige Parish Council are Inviting tenders for a **Parish Lengthsman**

The ideal candidate will be physically fit, have experience of safety and hazard identification and also enjoy working outdoors. You will be expected to use your own vehicle and equipment and have public liability insurance.

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Verge cutting
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Tender application forms and further information are available from the Parish Clerk, Phil Striplin on email clerk@cradleyparishcouncil.gov.uk or 07591 299749

Deadline for sealed bids – in writing:
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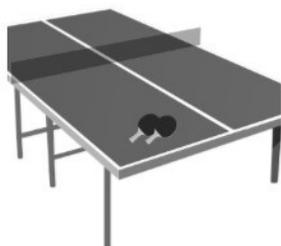
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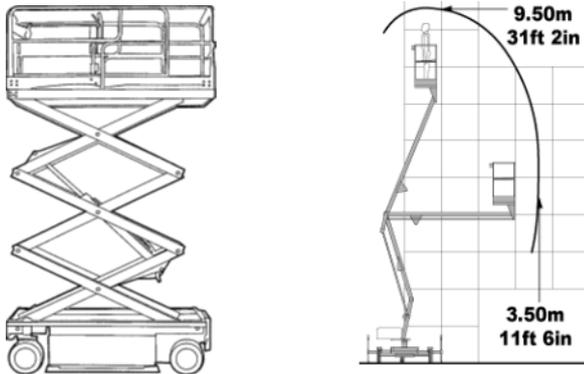
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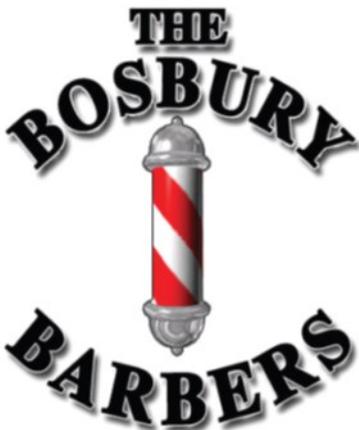
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JULY

Sat – Sun	3 - 4	12 noon	Cradley Open Gardens, until 5.00 p.m.
Sun	11	3.00 p.m.	Cream Teas at Cradley Church and Churchyard, until 5.00 p.m.
Mon	12	12.30 p.m.	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE for event notices and new advertisements to the <i>Newsletter</i> mailbox at the former Butchery, Bosbury Road, Cradley.
Tues	13	7.00 p.m.	Cradley & Storrige Parish Council meeting Cradley Village Hall
Fri	16	12.30 p.m.	NEWSLETTER DEADLINE for articles and diary entries to the <i>Newsletter</i> mailbox at the former Butchery, Bosbury Road, Cradley.
Sun	18	3.00 p.m.	Cream Teas at Cradley Church and Churchyard, until 5.00 p.m.
Sun	25	3.00 p.m.	Cream Teas at Cradley Church and Churchyard, until 5.00 p.m.

AUGUST

Sun	1	3.00 p.m.	Cream Teas at Cradley Church and Churchyard, until 5.00 p.m.
Thu	5	7.30 p.m.	Cradley WI meeting in Cradley Village Hall
Sat	7	10.00 a.m.	Open Garden at Wood End Cottage, Bromyard Road, WR13 5JW until 4.00 p.m.
Sun	8	3.00 p.m.	Cream Teas at Cradley Church and Churchyard, until 5.00 p.m.
Sun	15	3.00 p.m.	Cream Teas at Cradley Church and Churchyard, until 5.00 p.m.
Sun	22	3.00 p.m.	Cream Teas at Cradley Church and Churchyard, until 5.00 p.m.
Sun	29	3.00 p.m.	Cream Teas at Cradley Church and Churchyard, until 5.00 p.m.

SEPTEMBER

Thu	2	7.30 p.m.	Cradley WI meeting in Cradley Village Hall
Sat	18	TBA	16 th Annual Cradley Produce Show Cradley Village Hall
Sat	25	2.00 p.m.	A Community Celebration on the Church Lawn until 5.00 p.m.

OCTOBER

Thu	7	7.30 p.m.	Cradley WI meeting in Cradley Village Hall
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NOVEMBER

Thu	4	10.00 a.m.	Cradley WI meeting in Cradley Village Hall
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