

# THE VILLAGE BELL

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**Diary Dates** – next 2 months Red = NEW!!

8<sup>th</sup> Feb Library Coffee Morning 10.00  
21<sup>st</sup> Feb WI Puddington 7.30 'Life's little disasters'  
22<sup>nd</sup> Feb Library Coffee Morning 10.00  
28<sup>th</sup> Feb Computer Forum 1.30  
29<sup>th</sup> Feb Leap Year Social 8.30 onwards. (Grown-ups)  
Bring whatever you like to drink and a plate of nibbles to share. No admission, but please support raffle.  
4<sup>th</sup> Mar Parish Council Meeting 8.00  
7<sup>th</sup> Mar Library Coffee Morning 10.00  
13<sup>th</sup> Mar Computer Forum 1.30  
17<sup>th</sup> Mar Village Hall Meeting 8.00

A plant sale is to be held 10<sup>th</sup> May for Hall Funds

Details are believed to be correct, but see posters around the village for further details and to confirm dates!

## Updates

**Circus Besercus** was a sell out! We were sorry that some people who hadn't booked in advance had to be turned away. Ben and Steve were superb as usual and we hope we can arrange yet another return visit! Thanks to Victoria for arranging it.

The **Pruning day** was great in spite of the weather being unkind, Wassail was called off as it was just too wet. We hope for a good crop anyway – well next year!

## **Fuel Oil**

John Lennox arranged a multiple drop at the end of January and we were charged 39.5p (ex-vat) a litre. The driver reckoned that was 4/5p off the regular price. The next 'drop' is planned for April, minimum order 500 litres, you will be billed as normal. Contact John 3 Church Close 860920 to be included

## **Christmas Quiz**

The answers are on the Village Hall notice board if you have kept your question sheets.

## For Sale

Puddington Jubilee Mugs still available £4.50 (bone china) John B 860980

Green/White marble effect standard lamp with flowery lampshade £20.00. 861307  
Multi Gym £25.00. 861307

## Free to good home

Upholstered dressing table stool 860998  
Dark oak telephone table with seat 860998

**Bounce with Bob** ..... take the bus to Exeter Wednesday or Friday and see above the hedges!! **No petrol - no car parking**  
Departs Puddington Cross 9.25am  
Leaves Exeter Bus Station 1.35pm  
Fare £3.30 return - Free to pass holders

## Neighbourhood Watch

Remember to be vigilant and make a note of anything you're unhappy about. This is our village and we want it to be safe and crime free!  
First point of contact John B, 2 Glebelands 860980  
Our Neighbourhood Watch is based at Crediton  
Lisa is still our contact and can be contacted on 01363 772223 or 08452 7774449 (24 hours)

## Jim's Top Tips

I thought that as we were going through a showery patch at the moment I would share a tip on how to keep your camera protected when it is hanging around your neck on those long country walks or strolls along the beach. This trick is also very good at keeping out sand, which according to my information is the cause

of 90% of the faults that can occur in cameras. Take a self-sealing food bag big enough to cover your camera and snip off the bottom corners, invert the bag and thread your camera straps through the holes, re-attach your camera. You will find that the bag will quickly slide up the straps, and stay there while you take your photo. If you are not going to use your camera for a while use the self seal at the bottom and your camera is protected against snow, rain and sand

Jim.

So...did you have pancakes on Shrove Tuesday? Apparently only 27% of us did!!

Make up for it by making some

**Easter Biscuits**

113g (4oz) butter

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1 egg yolk

227g (8oz) plain flour

85g (3oz) currants

milk to bind

for the glaze

1 egg white

caster sugar

Cream the butter and sugar together. Beat the egg yolk into the mixture. Fold in the flour and currants. Use enough milk to make a firm dough. Roll out the dough to 1 centimetre\* thick. Cut into 5 centimetre (2 inch) rounds. Bake for 10 minutes at gas mark 4 then take out and brush with the egg white and sprinkle on caster sugar. Return to the oven for 5-10 minutes.

\* I would think less

**Get ready for Spring!**

**L & G WINDOW CLEANING SERVICE**

are now operating in Puddington and will clean your windows for you.

Phone Lee 07504520340

Or Greg 07790995195 for a quote

They are based in Morchard Bishop

**Over to you**

The Village Hall is looking for caretakers to take over from Anne and John in April also a Secretary to take over from Joan. Come to the next Village Hall meeting (17<sup>th</sup> March) if you're interested.

**† St Thomas a Becket †**

1st Sunday in month. Morning Worship

2nd " " Eucharist

3rd " " Morning service led by Worship Group.

All at 9.30am. Everyone is welcome to all of these.

A Village Hall/Old Parsonage Production

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