

St Mary's Acton
St David's Wettenhall &
St Oswald's Worleston
November 2025



**The Cross Country Parishes
of
Acton with Worleston, Church
Minshull and Wettenhall**

Dear Friends,



During the late summer, we were fortunate enough to enjoy a long weekend in the Midlands. Whilst there, we visited Coventry Cathedral. I'm sure many of you have been there too and know the history of the 'two buildings' that make up this striking symbol of Peace and Reconciliation in the midst of the city. The roofless ruins of St. Michael's are joined by the modern construction of sandstone, glass and concrete.

In November 1940 one of the deadliest of the Luftwaffe raids took place over Coventry. An estimated 568 people were killed and 4,300 homes were destroyed, along with the Cathedral. The following morning Provost Howard and the Cathedral staff made the decision to rebuild. This was not done as an act of defiance but as a sign of faith, trust and hope for the future of the world. Shortly after the destruction, the cathedral stonemason noticed that two of the charred medieval roof timbers had fallen in the shape of a cross. He set them up in the ruins where they were later placed on an altar of rubble with the moving words 'Father Forgive' inscribed on the Sanctuary wall.

On the outside of the Cathedral, a magnificent bronze sculpture (pictured) portrays St. Michael's victory over the Devil. Towering above the street at 25 feet high and with a wingspan of 23 feet wide, it compels passers-by to look heavenwards and witness the ultimate triumph of good over evil.

This beautiful building stands as a reminder of the importance of 'remembering', particularly as we listen to the news and consider the perilous state of the world at the moment.

We owe a huge debt of gratitude to those who fought in two World Wars, for the freedom which we enjoy today. We honour the names of those who didn't return home and give grateful thanks to those who did.

On November 9th, in all four churches, please join us as 'We Will Remember Them.

Ann



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Sunday Services

Acton

- 2nd Nov 11:00 am Communion. 6:30 pm Commemoration Service
- 9th Nov 8:00 am Communion. 10:50 am Remembrance Service
- 16th Nov 10:00 am Messy Church
- 23rd Nov 8:00 am Communion. 11 am Morning Prayer
- 30th Nov 11:00 am United At Church Minshull**
- 7th Dec 11:00 am Communion

Church Minshull

- 2nd Nov 11:00 am Service of the Word
- 9th Nov 10:50 am Remembrance Service
- 16th Nov 11:00 am Communion
- 23rd Nov 11:00 am Messy Church
- 30th Nov 11:00 am United At Church Minshull**
- 7th Dec 11:00 am Service of the Word

Worleston

- 2nd Nov No Service
- 9th Nov 10:50 am Remembrance Service
- 16th Nov No Service
- 23rd Nov 09:30 am Communion
- 30th Nov 11:00 am United At Church Minshull, 4pm Advent Carol Service**
- 7th Dec 11:00 am No Service

Wettenhall

- 2nd Nov 11:00 am Morning Prayer
- 9th Nov 10:50 am Remembrance Service
- 16th Nov 11:00 am All Age
- 23rd Nov 06:30 pm Informal Communion
- 30th Nov 11:00 am United At Church Minshull, 4pm Christingle**
- 7th Dec 11:00 am Morning Prayer

Additionally there is a 10:30 am Communion at Acton every Wednesday

St David's Church Wettenhall			
		Sidespersons	Cleaning and Flowers
2 nd	Nov	Mrs M Drinkall	Mrs M Drinkall and Mrs B Brockbank
9 ^h	Nov	Mr A Burrows	Mrs A Howard and family
16 th	Nov	Brownies	
23 rd	Nov	Informal	Mrs M Sherry
30 th	Nov	Mrs A Hignett	
7 th	Dec	Mrs A Brookes	Mrs A Nicholas
Website currently unavailable See page 9			

Christingle

Our annual **Christingle** Service will take place on **Sunday 30th November** at **4pm**. We look forward to welcoming the children and parents of Calveley Academy. This is always a fun evening for all ages.



We will Remember them

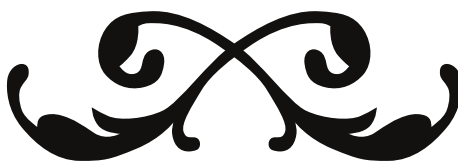
Our Service of Remembrance will take place on **Sunday 9th November** at **10.50am** to enable us to join with the rest of the nation in two minutes silence at 11am.

Future Diary Dates

Sunday 21st December at 6.30pm Carol Service

Wednesday 24th December 6pm Crib Service

Sunday 18th January 2026 11am
Commemoration of 50 years since the RAF accident above St. David's.



Coffee and Cake

The next meetings will be on **6th November** and **December 4th** from **10-12 noon** in Church. Everyone is very welcome to pop in for as little or as long as they wish.



St David's Harvest Service and Supper

St David's Harvest Service and Supper.

A service of celebration for the wonderful gift of the Harvest was held at St.David's 28th September. We joined together with Revd Anne, to give thanks for the bounteous gifts provided by God and all the hard work of the farming community who brave the heat and the wet to bring the produce to our tables everyday. The service was followed by our own bounteous supper - tables indeed bulging with fabulous food. including hot meats from our good friend John Major and a whole array of pasta and salad dishes expertly prepared and provided by Audrey and all the team. And to finish, we were all treated to some fantastic home made desserts, which certainly brought the fruit of the land into our presence - complete with custard and cream of course.

A huge thank you to all who made the celebration of the harvest so special.



Darnhall and Wettenhall WI

Darnhall and Wettenhall WI October Meeting

The October meeting for our WI meeting is traditionally, always a 'Hotpot' supper, catered for by Foodcraft in Winsford. The tables are prepared, members seated and the staff from Foodcraft deliver the food, huge bowls of meat and potato stew topped with a thick short-crust pastry and accompanied by jugs of gravy. And that's just the first course! Pudding is deep apple pie, with a swirl of cream on the top. This feast has been going on annually for 57 years – yes it has a long history. It started as a harvest supper 57 years ago, separate from the usual WI meeting. At some stage the two evenings were combined into an annual supper for the WI members. It was delicious to eat and, as usual, there was great conversation and friendship in the room. The committee had worked really hard to create a memorable evening, complete with Halloween anagram/scrambled letters quiz and a free draw for prizes of flowers or other gifts. Thanks go to all those who helped make the evening such a success.



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Darnhall Brownies

1st Darnhall Brownies has restarted following the summer holiday and we have a full programme organised this term. The girls have been refreshing their First Aid skills and talking about items to put in a time capsule. We are all planning for our annual pack holiday



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A Church Near You

Like so many churches, accessing information about current services and forthcoming events is essential to keep both our regular congregation and any would be visitors, or locals who may want to pop along, up-to-date with our church calendar. Social media is often the go-to for many, but this means you need to sign up to a social media account which not everyone is happy to do. So that's where "A Church Near You" comes in to assist. "A Church Near You" is a Web-based portal which covers every Church of England church. So if you want to find out more about your local church then just type in "A Church Near You" into your chosen search engine and then pop in your postcode and a list of local churches will be presented for you to check what's happening locally. It also gives access to various contacts, as well as safeguarding and special events. Once you have found the church you are interested in, then save the site as one of your favourites so you can go back to it at any time. St. Davids is accessible using the link <https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/12840/> or use the QR code at the bottom of the page.

Why not take a look at the site when you get chance – there's plenty to see and it is constantly being added to. So if you can't find the church magazine, pop on line to check out the time of the next service – oh, and a link to the magazine will be on there too.

Contact Chris Pope if you need further information or if you have anything that you think we should add to this web-site that would be of importance to our congregation and friends of the church.

A sample of our Church Near You Page

a church
NEAR YOU | THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND



The screenshot shows the website for St David's Church, Wattenhall. The header includes the 'a church NEAR YOU' logo and a search bar. The sidebar on the left lists navigation options: Home, Services and events, News and notices, About us, My Chris Pope, Find us, Get in touch, Facilities, More information, and Edit this church. The main content area features a large image of the church, a welcome message, contact details for Roger Nicholas, and a section for the Eucharist service.

a church
NEAR YOU | THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND

St Mary's Church, Acton Sidespersons	
2 nd Nov	Miriam Harvey and Steve Davies
9 th Nov	Gill Evans and Philip Percival
16 th Nov	Tracey and Peter Foster
23 rd Nov	Susan and Charles Hull
30 th Nov	United at Church Minshull
7 th Dec	Sandra And Mike Houlston
Visit: www.stmarysacton.org	

Tea at the Tower Guided Walks

The next walks are:

2nd November

7th December Christmas Walk at 13:45pm

Tea at the Tower is open every Sunday from 2:30 pm - 4:30 pm.

On the above dates there is a guided walk departing the church at 12:45 pm. Nick organises circular walks varying between 3 to 5 miles, then returning to the church for a refreshing cup of tea or coffee and a slice of delicious cake.

The pace of the walks is relaxed, and the routes generally involve canal towpath and lane walking. The footpaths should be good (also hopefully dry?) and only a small number of stiles are negotiated. Stout outdoor shoes or walking shoes/ boots are recommended.

All are welcome including dogs on leads

For further information please phone Nick Harley, Lead Walker, on 01270-620612 or 07710983125.



From the Registers

Wedding

20th September 2025

Dale Rex Manning and Charlotte Emily Louise Barratt

We wish them every happiness in their married life together.



Diary Dates

Forthcoming concert at St Mary's
Saturday 13th December - St Mary's
Acton Christmas Concert. See Page
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Movie Nights

Acton Village Movie Night

Movie Nights are held once a month on a Friday night and doors open at 7pm for a 7:30pm start. The event is run by local volunteers and profits go towards the upkeep and running of Acton Church and Acton Parish Hall. There is always a friendly atmosphere – no bookings needed; seating on a first come, first served basis. Cost: £5 per person – free parking in village car park.

Friday 14th November 2025

Johnny English Strikes Again –

certificate PG – stars Rowan Atkinson

Thank you from the Malbon's

It was a great surprise on 5th October at the Harvest service at Acton, when we were presented with tributes to celebrate John completing 60 years of ordained ministry. Your gift of £325 to "Train a Priest in Africa" on our behalf is a wonderful way to spread the good news of Jesus to the African continent. We do have past connections with an African Bishop - Yohanna Madinda who lived with John's family in the Potteries for

over a year. He was a great man of faith and a wonderful pastor and Bishop. The gift will be used wisely in training and supporting ordination candidates. We shall also enjoy using the book token to choose some good reads at home. When John retired in 2001 we came to live in Nantwich and we believe that God directed us to help Donald Brockbank in his ministry to the four parishes. We have made many friends in the four parishes and we thank you for taking us to your hearts. We are not going away and John will still be leading Bible studies and Janet will continue helping in Messy Church, the Social Committee and in the happy band of church cleaners. When we asked God to direct our lives many years ago, we didn't know where that would lead. God is gracious and faithful and has been and will be a constant source of love and hope. We've learned that God is no man's debtor. He has endowed us with blessing upon blessing and we thank God, and you all for being part of our lives.

John and Janet Malbon

More Pictures on Pages 15 and 16



YOU ARE INVITED TO

St. Mary's Church
Acton

Christmas Tree Festival
2025

*'A Storybook
Christmas'*

Friday 5th December Open 3pm
Saturday 6th December 10am - 5pm
Sunday 7th December 12pm - 5pm

Our theme this year is 'A Storybook Christmas'. Our aim is to depict different magical books that have inspired us. The choice is yours - it could range from CS Lewis 'The Lion the Witch and the Wardrobe', Agatha Christie, 'Murder on the Orient Express', to the parables from the Holy Scriptures - let your imagination go wild. Trees will be priced £35 each. Participants to bring their own decorations and battery lights. Please get your thinking caps on and give me a ring to reserve a tree. Decorating of trees will be on Thursday 4th December. Please let me know what your intended title is, so we can avoid duplication.

Claire 01270 611803 or Deana 01270 624889.



Treasurer Vacancy

Treasurer Vacancy – Acton with Worleston 2026

We are looking for a volunteer to cover the busy parish of Acton with Worleston with a 3 month handover between January and April 2026.

Applicants should have a high standard of Accountancy knowledge and skills, be able to interpret data and write reports as well as being well-organised and a team player.

Experience of working with a Charity would be ideal, though not essential.

Appointment to post will require the appropriate DBS Check as well as following the Safer Recruitment process.

Further enquiries: James Hickie. Email: Treasurer@stmarysacton.org

Or Telephone: 01829 260052

Coffee Catch up

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EVERY WEDNESDAY

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Tea and toast or Coffee and a croissant.



Firewood

Due to dead and fallen trees in the Acton Churchyard there will soon be a quantity of firewood to dispose of. If anyone would like to collect a quantity for their own use, please contact Philip Percival 01270 691315 or 07703292900.

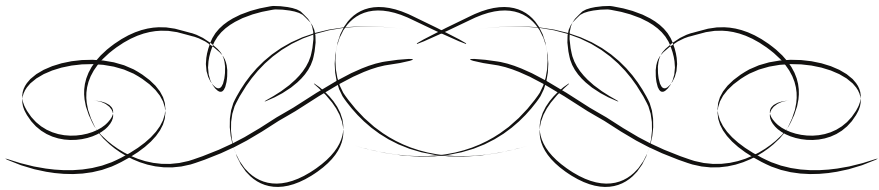
Christmas Walk

🎄 The Annual 'Tea at the Tower' Christmas Walk will take place on Sunday 7th December 2025.

You are invited to meet us at the church ready to set off at 13.45 hrs. Do come and enjoy a lovely walk through Dorfold Hall's gated grounds and meet Father Christmas! 🎄



Presentation to John and Janet Malbon



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Harvest Supper



Acton C of E Academy

Acton Church of England Academy welcomed a special visitor recently - Aphra Brandreth, MP for Chester South and Eddisbury.

The MP toured the school in Chester Road, Nantwich to see its achievements and pioneering approach to education.

Four Year 6 pupils proudly guided Ms Brandreth around the school, impressing her with their knowledge, enthusiasm and confidence as ambassadors.

The MP was impressed by the positive atmosphere, the engaging lessons taking place and the way children were using technology to support their learning.

Ms Brandreth said she was amazed by the progress the school has made, adding that it was clear that public funding from the Department for Education, the Trust, and the school's own budget had been invested wisely to benefit pupils.

Headteacher Chris Priddey highlighted one of the school's most significant innovations – the installation of ground source (borehole) heating, made possible through a £2 million Government pilot scheme.

Acton CE Academy is one of the first schools in the UK to benefit from this renewable energy system, reducing its carbon footprint and leading the way in sustainability.

Foundation Governor Philip Percival, whose family has been part of Acton's community for over 100 years, also attended the visit.

Philip, who has run a successful village business for five decades, proudly shared the school's deep-rooted links with local families – his mother, children and grandchildren have all been pupils at Acton.

The MP was also joined by North West Academies Trust (NWAT) CEO Steve Docking and Michael Forber, School Development Partner for the Trust.

Headteacher Mr Priddey said: "It was a privilege to welcome Aphra Brandreth to our school and to show her how our children are thriving.

"We are proud of our pioneering energy project, but more importantly, we are proud of our pupils, who continue to shine with confidence, skill and enthusiasm."



Deputy Headteacher Hayley Rogers, NWAT School Development Partner Michael Forber, Headteacher Chris Priddey, MP Aphra Brandreth and NWAT CEO Steve Docking with members of the school council. (Photo: Acton CE Academy)



The MP toured the school in Chester Road, Nantwich to see its achievements and pioneering approach to education. (Photo: Acton CE Academy)

Cross Country Pages

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

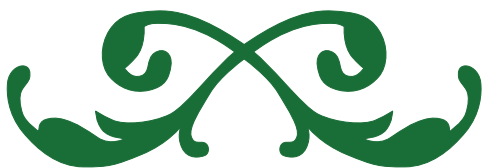
this month to

Alice Edwards	Imogen Elliott
Ava Robinson	Maggie Harrington
Edward Kinsey	Scarlett Heath
George Webb	Thomas Alexander

Ladies Lunch September

The Farmer's Arms, Ravensmoor

Ladies Lunch is always a surprise, we never know exactly who and how many women will come for the lunch of soup, sandwiches and conversation. It was a bumper turn out in September at the Farmer's Arms in Ravensmoor. We were made very welcome and an extra table was slotted into our window seating to accommodate everyone. The food was delicious, a piping hot broccoli and cheese soup, accompanied by a generous selection of sandwiches, side salads and coleslaw. With tea and coffee to follow, along with lots of chatting about families, friends, holidays and life in general, it was a lovely occasion. The men, who regularly attend Ladies Lunch and sit separately, also had a delicious lunch and were joined by Andy James, a friend from St. David's who moved from the area some years ago. It was good to catch up, exactly what a good lunch is designed to do.



Ladies' Lunch

Wednesday 12th November
at

The Little Man, Wettenhall

12:30 pm

All Welcome

£12.50

For further details contact:

Joyce Percival 01270 691315,

Heather (07887 760930), Isobel
(624521), or Ann (528273)

Mobile Library

Nov	Nov	Dec	Tuesdays	
4 th	25 th	16 th	Arr	Dep
Badger Church Minshull			10:20	10:45
Home Farm Park South			11:10	11:20
Lea Green				
Home Farm Park North			11:30	11:50
Lea Green				
Wettenhall Church			12:05	12:20
Station Rd Calveley			13:35	13:55
Tollemache Arms			14:05	14:30
Alraham				
Nov	Dec	Jan	Thursdays	
20 th	11 th	1 st	Arr	Dep
Pinfold Craft Centre			11:00	11:25
Poole				
Worleston Station			11:35	11:45
Aston Juxta Mondrum				
Worleston Village Hall			11:50	12:10
Nov	Nov	Dec	Thursdays	
6 th	27 th	18 th	Arr	Dep
Farmers Arms			10:00	10:15
Ravensmoor				
Goodwill Hall Faddiley			10:30	10:50
Greenfields Farm			11:05	11:20
Gradeley Green				



Favourite Hymns; Abide With Me

'Abide With Me' was the fifth favourite hymn in a poll by the TV programme 'Songs of Praise' in 2019. It is a prayer for God, asking for support throughout life and death, all those moments in life that we experience the greatest joy and the deepest despair. The original poem that led to the hymn was written by an Anglican cleric, Henry Francis Lyte [1793 – 1847]. Francis Lyte was a curate in County Wexford [1815 – 1818] and a regular preacher at the nearby church in Killurin. Francis Lyte made friends with a man called William Augustus Le Hunte and was visiting this man in 1820 when returning to the County Wexford area. Le Hunte was very ill and at the end of his life, something that Lyte understood all too well because his own health was very poor. His friend kept repeating the phrase 'abide with me', and after his death Lyte wrote a poem with these words and gave a copy to the man's family. It was not until 27 years later, when Lyte was himself very ill with TB and at the end of his life, that he recalled the poem he had written in similar circumstances for his friend. The poem has Biblical links to Luke Chapter 24, verse 29, when the disciples asked Jesus to abide with them, saying 'Stay with us for evening draws on and the day is almost over'. He wrote the hymn and composed a melody to accompany it. In September 1847 Lyte prepared to preach for the last time to his congregation, choosing the Holy Communion as his subject. That evening he placed a copy of his hymn and melody into the hands of a trusted family member. The original copy had eight verses, although most hymnals omit some of them in recent versions. He then travelled to Nice for the warmth and comfort of its climate and died there on 20th November. Fittingly the hymn 'Abide With Me' had its first performance at his

funeral.

Today the most common melody to accompany the hymn is a tune called 'Eventide', composed by William Henry Monk in 1861. He was a well known organist and church musician. The piece is very similar to Mahler's Symphony No.9, although Ralph Vaughan Williams added a descant much later. It was not until the 3rd October 1925 edition of The Spectator was published that the story behind this well loved hymn became more widely known. A family member of William Augustus Le Hunte recounted the story that had been passed down the generations and The Spectator printed it because it was already a popular hymn. So popular with the Royal Family that it was used at the State Funeral of King George V and the wedding of Queen Elizabeth II. Today it is often used in funeral services, but remains popular throughout the full range of church services and for choral performances, reflecting the comfort that it offers in times of need.



Heather Pope

Congratulations to the Reverend Anne

Recently Canterbury announced a new appointment, but we have one of our own in our four parishes!

The Bishop of Chester, after consulting the Dean and Chapter of the cathedral, has invited our vicar, the Reverend Anne Lawson, to be an Honorary Canon of the cathedral. This is a great honour as there are only 14 ordained Honorary Canons of our cathedral at any one time.

This title is most usually given in recognition of those who have given long service in the diocese and wider community. We are sure that our vicar's work in the parishes, and commitment, over many years as Chaplain to the Cheshire Agricultural Society and the Royal Cheshire Show give ample evidence of that.

Each Canon is allocated a seat in the Quire of the cathedral, and may sit there during services and special occasions. We imagine that she will have one of the best seats if there is something like a royal visit going on.

Her seat is the one dedicated to St Aidan. He was a missionary from Ireland who, at the request of St Oswald, King of Northumbria went from Iona to Northumberland to spread the good news of Jesus. He founded the Priory at Lindisfarne. He was known as a patient, trusting, gentle shepherd of the people in his care.

Next time you visit the cathedral, have a look in the Quire for this special seat.

On February 1st, 2026, the Bishop of Chester will license and the Dean will install the Revd Anne. She will then be entitled to be known as the Revd Canon Anne Lawson. Put that date in your diary as it is to be hoped that as many as possible will be able to go to Chester for the service. No doubt it will be a joyful occasion!



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Recipe

Devonshire Apple Cake

Serves 8

Ingredients

- ▯ 225g SR Flour
- ▯ 1 tsp baking powder
- ▯ 225g caster sugar
- ▯ 2 large eggs
- ▯ 1/2 tsp almond extract
- ▯ 150g butter, melted
- ▯ 250g cooking apples, peeled and cored.
- ▯ 25g flaked almonds

Method

- ▯ Preheat oven 160C/fan 140C/gas 3
- ▯ Lightly grease a deep 20cm loose-bottomed tin
- ▯ Measure the flour, baking powder, sugar, eggs, almond extract and melted butter into a bowl.
- ▯ Mix well until blended, then beat for a minute,
- ▯ Spread half this mixture into the tin. Thickly slice the apples & lay on top of the mixture, piling mostly towards the centre.
- ▯ Using 2 dessert spoons, roughly smooth the remaining mixture over the apples. Cover the centre well as it will spread out.
- ▯ Sprinkle with flaked almonds
- ▯ Bake for 1¼-1½ hours until golden.
- ▯ Serve warm or cold.



Enjoy

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Advent Carol Service

The Advent Carol Service will be held at
St Oswald's
 on **Sunday 30th November at 4pm**.
 We are delighted that it will be led, as
 usual, by the
St Christopher Chorale.
 Come and join us!

From the Register

Marriage

On 20th September 2025

Anne-Marie French and Alec Fowler

St Oswald's, Worleston.

We send them our best wishes for a long
 and happy marriage.

Advent Calendars

As Advent begins, the children at St Oswald's School will each receive a Real Advent Calendar. This helps them to count the days until Christmas with pictures of the story of Jesus' coming, along with a story-activity book and, of course a chocolate each day!
 Many thanks to the Schoolhouse Trust, the PCC and members of St Oswald's whose generosity makes this possible.



Coffee and Cake

Saturday 1st November from 10-12 noon in Church.

Come along and enjoy Coffee, Cake and Chat.

Everyone is very welcome to pop in for as little or as long as they wish.



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Sunday 30th November

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Worleston WI

Malbank Group WI Meeting was held at Nantwich Football Club on Tuesday 16th September to an audience of over 100 WI members.

The speaker for the evening was Lady Dodd who is the widow of Ken Dodd.

Lady Dodd is well known as being involved in a lot of charity work in the Liverpool area and as trustee of the Ken Dodd Charitable Foundation, she has overseen the work of the organisation to support performing arts charities and organisations. She met Ken Dodd during a pantomime and gave up her own career working for British Airways, initially as a flight attendant and then as a manager in Human Resources to work with him.

Lady Dodd is an accomplished musician and appeared in Ken Dodd shows playing the piano, guitar, flute and singing as Miss Sybie Jones.

Lady Dodd has been awarded one of the highest civic honours her adopted city can

bestow and was admitted to the Liverpool Roll of Citizen of Honour, after being endorsed by city councillors.

She went on to tell us amusing stories about her time on the stage with Ken Dodd and her life working with Ken.

Since his death, she has taken to fundraising for a number of charities within Liverpool and Knotty Ash.

Lady Dodd entertained us immensely and was thanked a member of Marbury WI



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Calveley School

In the spirit of community and gratitude, the whole school came together to celebrate the annual Harvest Festival at St David's Church in Wettenhall. The service was a heart-warming event, filled with music, readings, and reflections on the importance of giving and sharing. Thank you to all who donated items for the local Food Bank – your generosity will make a real difference to families in need.

Sycamore Class recently travelled back nearly two thousand years during their exciting trip to Chester as part of their history topic on the Romans. Dressed as Roman soldiers, the class marched through the historic streets, shields in hand and shouting Latin commands. The day included a fascinating visit to the Deva Roman Experience, where pupils explored the sights and sounds of Roman life. This immersive day helped pupils deepen their understanding of Roman Britain and they left feeling thoroughly inspired. The group also embraced the outdoors with orienteering and team-building activities at Trafford Hall, developing their navigation skills and building strong bonds along the way. It was a wonderful opportunity for personal growth and forging even stronger friendships.

We were proud to join schools across the continent in celebrating the European Day of Languages. Pupils took part in language-themed quizzes, tried their hand at basic phrases in a variety of European languages, and explored different cultures through food-tasting, music, and fun classroom activities. It was a fantastic way to promote language learning and celebrate the rich diversity of Europe.





St Oswald's School, Worleston

Last week, our school community came together for a truly heart-warming Harvest Service at St Oswald's Church. The church was filled with gratitude, song, and generosity as we gave thanks for the abundance in our lives and remembered those in need.

We were overwhelmed by the kindness shown through the many donations brought in for the Nantwich Food Bank. From tins and packets to fresh produce, every item will make a real difference to families in our local area. It was a beautiful reflection of our shared values of compassion and community.

After the service, we returned to school for a lovely gathering over coffee and cake. The atmosphere was full of warmth and fellowship as children and staff joined together to create hand-made cards. These cards will be included in the food parcels, offering messages of hope and kindness to those receiving them.

Thank you to everyone who contributed, attended, and helped make this Harvest celebration so special. It was a wonderful reminder of the power of giving and the joy of coming together as part of a community.

Our Year 1/2 football team recently took part in a lively tournament with other local schools—and what a fantastic day it was!

From the first whistle to the final goal, our young players showed amazing enthusiasm, teamwork, and determination. It was wonderful to see them supporting each other, celebrating goals and playing with such joy.

The tournament was a great chance for our pupils to build confidence, make new friends, and enjoy competitive sport in a fun and friendly setting. Their sportsmanship and team spirit were truly inspiring.

We're incredibly proud of every player—not just for their football skills, but for the way they represented our school with pride and positivity. A big Thank You to the staff and families who came along to cheer them on!

Early Years and Key Stage 1 children at St Oswald's enjoyed a lively and engaging Phonics Day filled with hands-on learning and joyful exploration. The classrooms and outdoor spaces were buzzing with activity as children took part in letter hunts, chalk writing, and games designed to build their phonics' skills, in fun and memorable ways. From spotting sounds around the school to forming CVC (consonant-vowel-consonant) words with magnetic letters and natural materials, every child was immersed in the magic of early reading.

The day was a wonderful celebration of language and learning, helping children to deepen their understanding of phonics through play and creativity. Staff were thrilled to see such enthusiasm and confidence growing among the children, and the smiles on their faces said it all. It was a fantastic reminder of how joyful and effective phonics learning can be when it's brought to life in practical, imaginative ways.



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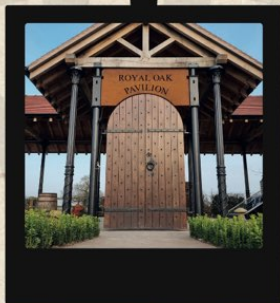
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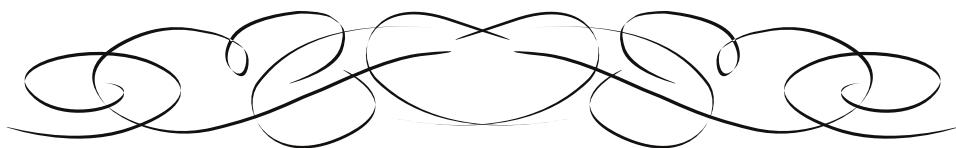
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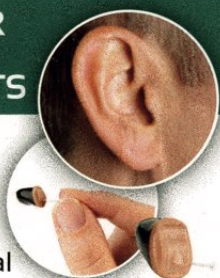
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