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Hello Everyone,

Summer Time! What a lovely weekend was had in Hatherleigh for the Festival. A big thank you to everyone who worked so hard to put on this event.

Hatherleigh will soon be filled with the sound of brass bands from Bandamonium on 16th August. Harrys' front cover this month is perfect! Do come up to the square and join in the fun.

I was really impressed by the scrapbooks the children did. Thank you to all those who returned their scrapbooks, lots of people commented on them, they were really lovely.

Deadline as normal 15th of the month.

Donna Lewis Editor

Find Wally???

Can you find Wally in this months pump?



Last issue I lost him...did anyone find him? Do message me if you did!... There are two sneaky Wallys in this issue...can you find him??

Deadline for May Pump

Friday 15th August 2025

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Sunday 3rd August The Seventh Sunday after Trinity

9.30am	Morning Prayer (BCP)	Jonathan Cook	Northlew
10.00am	Family Service	Leigh Winter	Exbourne
11.00am	Pet Service	Sue Gibson	Meeth
11.00am	Holy Communion	Leigh Winsbury	Hatherleigh

Sunday 10th August The Eighth Sunday after Trinity

9.30am	Morning Prayer	Michael Winter	Jacobstowe
9.30am	Holy Communion	Leigh Winsbury	Northlew
11.00am	Morning Prayer	Michael Winter	Exbourne
11.00am	Morning Service	Leigh Winsbury	Hatherleigh Square
11.00am	Morning Prayer	Julian Sergeant	Meeth

Sunday 17th The Ninth Sunday after Trinity

9.30am	Morning Praise	Gwyn Thatcher	Meeth
9.30am	Holy Communion	Arch Deacon Douglas Dettmer	Exbourne
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Julian Sargeant	Northlew
11.00am	Bandamonium Service	Leigh Winsbury	Hatherleigh Square
7.00pm	Prayer and Praise	Leigh Winsbury	Hatherleigh

Sunday 24th The Tenth Sunday after Trinity

9.30am	Holy Communion by Extension	Michael Winter	Jacobstowe
9.30am	Morning Prayer	Leigh Winsbury	Northlew
11.00am	Morning Prayer	Michael Winter	Exbourne
11.00am	Morning Service	Lynn Winsbury & Lay Team	Hatherleigh
11.00am	Holy Communion	Leigh Winsbury	Meeth
6.00pm	Evensong (BCP)	Leigh Winsbury	Hatherleigh

Wednesday 27th

7.00pm	Celtic Evening Prayer	Leigh Winsbury	Jacobstowe
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Sunday 31st The Eleventh Sunday after Trinity

11.00am	Five Parish Service	Leigh Winsbury	Hatherleigh
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St. John the Baptist Flower Rota - August 2025



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What's On in Hatherleigh August 2025!

Tuesday 5th - Methodist Church - LIGHT LUNCH! 12.00 - 1.00 p.m. Take-a-ways available (please bring a container)

15th August - Bandamonium - Square - 7pm (?)

16th August - Bandamonium - Square - All day

16th August (Saturday) - Flower Show - Community Centre - 3pm

Sunday 17th - Methodist Church - at 11.00 a.m. UNITED OPEN AIR SERVICE

Saturday 23rd - Methodist Church - 10.00 am. - 5.00 p.m. viewing of the flower displays. Buffet Lunch served from 12.00 - 1.30 p.m.

Sunday 24th - Methodist Church - Flower displays from 2.30 p.m. - 5.00 p.m.

Monday 25th - Methodist Church - 10.00 am. - 5.00 p.m. Open for flower displays and refreshments

Tuesday 26th - Methodist Church - 10.00 am. - 3.00 p.m. Flower displays. Light Lunch available from 12.00 - 1.30 p.m.

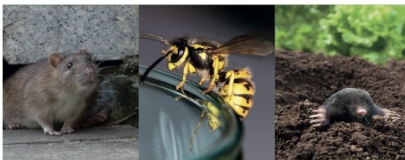
Saturday 30th - Hatherleigh Players Variety Evening - 7.30pm - Hatherleigh Community Centre



Hi all it's almost that time of year when our thoughts turn to winter sports. The men's senior team has begun training so for anyone that would like to give it a go, then training is on Mon & Wed. We are still short of a manager anyone that feels they would like to get involved at youth or senior level please contact the chairmen **bob heaman** on **07403789520**

Hatherleigh Art Group

The June coffee morning was very successful and raised circa £285 towards the cost of scaffold hire for the HCC mural maintenance. Thank you all who supported this. August Meetings: 6th: Continue work on Mural at HCC (if weather Ok), 13th: visit exhibition at Burton Gallery. 20th: visit local village to draw/paint, 27th: Mosaics & catch-up at 51 Market Street. More info from Sally (01837 810377/940) or Alan (01837 810024).



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5th, 12th, 19th, 26th

(08:30AM - 12:30 PM, AUCTION STARTS 10:30AM)

FARMERS MARKET

16th August

(10:00AM - 1:00PM)

BANDAMONIUM

16th August

(HATHERLEIGH MARKET FROM 2:00PM, MASSED BANDS FROM 8:00PM)

FEAST - FOOD FAIR

31st August

(10:00AM - 3:00 PM)

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HATHERLEIGH GARDENING CLUB

FLOWER AND PRODUCE SHOW

By now, hopefully, you will have picked up a schedule and be planning your exhibits as the show is little more than two weeks away on Saturday, August 16th. For those that haven't spotted them yet, schedules are available from Post Office, Salar Gallery, Community Centre and Garden Shop. There you will find a range of classes designed to suit many skills, from growing to cookery, photography to flower arranging. We have, you will note, decided to drop the children's classes for this year as, despite the lure of financial reward, they have not attracted many entrants (though a big thank you to those few families that did support them). If this is something you would like to see reinstated please do let us know.

For those who are exhibiting this year, can you please put your entries into the Post Office (with correct payment if possible) by noon on Thursday, 14th. Entries must be staged in the Community Centre between 8.30 and 10.45 on the morning of Saturday, 16th, at which point we ask that the hall be cleared for judging to start at 11.

The Show will then be open to the public at 3pm, with free entry, so that friends and family can admire your efforts and prize winners can be revealed. There will be refreshments, a raffle and plant/produce stall which help towards raising the funds to stage the Show.

We look forward to welcoming you all

Susan Gill

47gills@gmail.com or 07879 204453 for any queries

Hatherleigh Open Gardens and Courtyards

Despite the rather damp conditions, this was supported and enjoyed by a considerable number of garden visitors and raised the sum of £641.05 which has gone towards the installation of facilities at St John the Baptist Church. Thanks to all who opened their gardens, provided refreshments and sold programmes for this event.

Hatherleigh Festive Flowers

Revived after many years and supported by Daisychain Garden Nursery, prizes were awarded for the best Hanging Baskets. The winner who also gets the Challenge Tankard awarded by the Town Council, is Rachel Laycock. Runners up: Beverley Agnew, Jane Fawcett and Katie Bennett. Thank you everyone who entered!

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- do not light fires and only have BBQs where signs say you can
- always keep dogs under control and in sight
- dog poo - bag it and bin it - any public waste bin will do
- care for nature - do not cause damage or disturbance

Enjoy the outdoors

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Dog Fouling on Hatherleigh Moor

The law regarding land, open to the air to which the public are entitled or permitted to have access states that it is an offence to fail to carry sufficient means to clean up after your dog. And that it is an offence to fail to remove faeces from the land.

Church Shop/Charity Corner Continues... Mainly upstairs

At Salar Gallery with items to be sold for Hatherleigh Church, Hatherleigh Primary School, Farms for City Children and Farm Community Network.

DON'T stay on-line for ever: there's a **REAL** world out here but it needs **YOUR** support **NOW!**
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ST MICHAELS & ALL ANGELS CHURCH MEETH.

Life seems to be racing on at a pace with all the activities going on here and in the surrounding areas, welcoming locals and visitors alike to enjoy the beautiful countryside in which we live whilst enjoying each others company and possibly forging new friendships as we mingle.

TOWER WORKS:-

There has been a delay to the erection of scaffolding to enable works to the tower to be started. Watch this space for further developments.

CHURCH BOOKSTALL.

There is still a small selection of books on the shelves behind the font. Please feel free to pause at your leisure the church is open daily between 10am and 4pm.

BELL RINGING:-

Margaret Fitzgerald is keen to set up a team of bell ringers for our church . If you are a regular ringer or are keen to learn PLEASE CONTACT MARGARET – Email mafitzi@hotmail.co.uk

FLOWER ROTA:

3rd August - 10th August. Carolyn.

17th August - 24th August. Beryl.

31st August - 7th Sept. Val.

If you are unable to provide flowers for these dates, please let Beryl know.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY.

COFFEE MORNING Tuesday 26TH AUGUST Old Schools Hatherleigh – 8.30am - 12 Noon.

Do come along and join us, we'd love to see you and catch up with friends old and new over cake and coffee. There will be the usual array of refreshments, a draw & cake stall.

ALL PROCEEDS TO MEETH CHURCH TOWER PROJECT.

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Hatherleigh Silver Band

I am writing this just after the wonderful Hatherleigh Festival. We really enjoyed opening the weekend's proceedings on the Friday evening. Such a wonderful atmosphere. Well done to all the organisers.

We are looking forward to getting out and about in August, kicking off with Bridfest on the 2nd. Then Chagford Show on the 21st and Moretonhampstead Centenary Carnival on the 28th. Apart from that we will be at playing outside various pubs in the area (weather permitting). Check out our Facebook page and Instagram to see where we'll be.

Don't forget to get children signed up for the 'Brassed Up' series on Tuesdays in August: 5th, 12th, 19th and 26th in Hatherleigh Community Centre. It is free and instruments will be provided. Details will be on posters and on the community page. They start at 10am. Do get in touch if you are interested.

Looking ahead to September, we are hoping to have our final Cider and Pasty evening of the year on Saturday 6th September in the square. Watch out for details.

Look out for some major shennanigans at the Bandamonium weekend – which is on the 15th and 16th August. 24 bands from across the country have signed up to be a part of this so expect an amazing massed band event in the evening of the 16th.

To maintain the band and to ensure that it is free to all at the point of use, we are always looking at new ways to raise some much needed funds. To this end, our president, Mr Richard Brock and his son Cary, have volunteered to do a 'wing walk' on **Saturday 1st August at Dunkeswell Aerodrome at 3pm**. If you can help by sponsoring either or both of them, it will make this terrifying experience worthwhile!

We are still looking for a percussionist, if you are one or know of one, please let us know.

Best wishes

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Hatherleigh Bellringers

Six Bell Striking Competition

August will be a busy month for the ringers. On Saturday August 9th we host the Six Bell Striking Competition in Hatherleigh. This is a joint competition, held annually with Samford Courtenay. It's in its fourth year, although there was no ringing in Hatherleigh last year because, of course, there were no bells here at the time. On August 9th several visiting teams will compete for certificates and a trophy, with ringing judged on accuracy of striking. Ringing takes place at both venues, and at Hatherleigh will take place between 2 pm and approximately 8 pm.

Bell Tour to Guernsey

During four long years of work on the bells and the tower, the ringers have not held a bell ringing tour. Past tours have taken place within a driveable distance of Hatherleigh, with about five different towers on the route. Each set of bells is rung for about half an hour, and the ringers move on to the next tower. There's usually a pub lunch or a picnic halfway, and sometimes a meal with friends and family back in Hatherleigh in the evening. Ringing tours are always paid for out of the ringers' own pockets.

This year will be something special. A large number of Hatherleigh bellringers, together with family members, are travelling to Guernsey in August for a mini-holiday. Despite the island's small size, Guernsey has several fine sets of bells and the tour will take in four of them. There will be two 10-bell rings at the churches of St Pierre Du Bois and St Peter Town Church, and two 6-bell rings at St Michel du Valle and Ste Marguerite de la Foret. The ringers are staying over the weekend to enjoy the beaches, the local cuisine - and perhaps some liquid refreshment.

Look out for pictures on Facebook.

Isabella Whitworth (Hatherleigh Bellringers)

Hatherleigh Art Group

We usually meet at 51 Market Street at 10.30am on Wednesdays

Please contact **Sally (01837 810377/940)** or **Alan (01837 810024)** for further information and confirmation of the meetings nearer the time.

The Coffee Morning at Old Schools on Tuesday June 24th is being run by Hatherleigh Art Group to raise funds for Mural maintenance which we are currently carrying out at the Community Centre.



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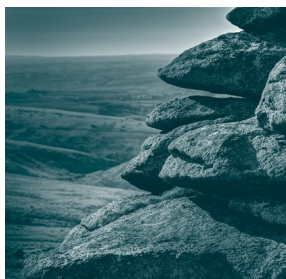
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HATHERLEIGH TOWN COUNCIL



Notes from the Council Meeting held on Tuesday 8th July 2025. The next Council meeting will be held on Tuesday 9th September at 7pm in the Community Centre. For more information see our website www.hatherleightowncouncil.org/

Your 9 Councillors are – Mark Reddaway (Chair/Mayor), Rachel Laycock (Deputy), Deb Laing-Trengove, Kay Walters, Donna Lewis, Richard Burrow, Sadie Harrison, Jake Barrs & Will Turner

- After informal meetings with 2 applicants and a written application from a third person Mr Steve Whitehead was appointment to the post of Street Caretaker. We welcome Steve to the team, and we thank the other excellent applicants for their interest but we only had 1 position.
- 2 Members of the public attended to raise the issue of the pending introduction of parking fees in the market car park and the issue of broadband coverage.
- 20 is Plenty: No volunteers from the Town have come forward to help with this scheme. Councillors can not do this alone and we need volunteers if you wish to see the scheme adopted.
- The horse sculpture at the school entrance is in need of repair. The original artist will come and inspect it to see what is needed.
- Also the sheep statue in front of the car park needs repair and again the original artist will come to inspect and repair this in due course.
- School Entrance: Another meeting was held an a proposal was put forward by Devon Highways to relocate the loading bay further down closer to the garage and to put a 24 hr bus stop closer to school to help with congestion. School Governors to investigate the provision of a volunteer Crossing Warden.
- WDBC will be approached to ask if a safe pedestrian access could be installed in the Car park. Parents are encouraged to park here to walk their children to school and the only exit is the narrow car entrance/exit.
- South Street will remain closed for the foreseeable future. We asked WDBC if Park Road residents could be given temporary parking permits for the town car park but sadly they refused.
- Following a residents enquiry it was agreed to write to OpenReach to ask when Hatherleigh could expect Full Fibre broadband to be available.
- Dunbia have kindly offered to fund 2 projects in Town. They will provide a new bridge to replace the one that had to be removed from Island Park and they will provide a new bench for the area beside the town bus stop to replace the damaged one currently there. We are extremely grateful for their support of the Town. WDBC will be approached to ask if a safe pedestrian access could be installed in the Car park. Parents are encouraged to park here to walk their children to school and the only exit is the narrow car entrance/exit.
- Allotments: As per the Terms & Conditions, allotment holders should be offered support and guidance if they are having difficulties from time to time.
- Hatherleigh Market: New bollards will be installed shortly to protect the market square so it is available for trading. The Market Working Group will hold a meeting shortly to discuss the introduction of parking charges. This revenue is needed to meet financial challenges to keep the market viable. The rate will be fixed at £1 per day for all day parking. Fees are also felt necessary to stop cars being left permanently in spaces leaving fewer spaces for Market users. Please go to the Friends of Hatherleigh Market website for more information www.fhm-cbs.org.
- **Space is short here. A full account of meetings is available in the minutes on the Town Council website and notice board in Millennium Corner.**
- Correspondence to the Council should be addressed to the Clerk and for inclusion at a meeting be received 4 days prior to the meeting date. Correspondence received after that date will be considered at the following meeting.
- Clerk: Mrs. R.A.Lock, Cleave Farm, Dolton, Winkleigh EX19 8QT. Tel: 01805 804254
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Hatherleigh Festival

Hatherleigh Festival 2025 – A Huge Success!

The wonderful community spirit in Hatherleigh has never shone brighter following the incredible success of this year's Hatherleigh Festival.

The week began with Old Schools transformed into an engaging venue for thought-provoking talks on conflict resolution and the science of heartbreak. On Tuesday, Devon Shire Farm opened its gates for a day of inspiration. Local vet and internationally renowned photographer Bryony Herrod-Taylor led a nature photography workshop, followed by a captivating evening session with Ben May, showcasing how heavy horses still play a vital role in traditional market gardening.

By Thursday, the festival picked up momentum as the marquee filled with laughter. Stand-up poets Chris White and Edward Tripp brought the house down with their witty performances and hilarious "limerick smash."

Friday featured a full afternoon of water sports at Meeth Nature Reserve, courtesy of Encompass Training. This was followed by the grand unveiling of The Hatherleigh and Fallowfield Sketchbook show, in which talented Hatherleigh residents joined forces with Fallowfield to put on an interactive and personal exhibition of original artwork. By evening, the square came alive with the sound of live music. Performances by Hatherleigh Silver Band, the Winsbury family, and the Dockneys kept the crowds buzzing.

Saturday delivered the classic festival experience: bustling streets lined with local artisan stalls and street food, a full lineup of free live entertainment, and activities across town including art exhibitions, silversmithing, archery, a bug hunt, and a magical 'after dark' bat walk led by wildlife experts Joanna Pullin and Sarah Butcher.

The festival closed on Sunday with a heartfelt open-air church service led by Revs Leigh Winsbury and Chris Jackson. Families then enjoyed a Wacky Science Party, a puppet show, more fabulous craft workshops, and a relaxed afternoon of open mic talent hosted by Dave Holwill.

The Hatherleigh Festival Committee would like to extend its deepest thanks to the people of Hatherleigh. Your generosity, good spirit, and community energy made this week unforgettable. We are also incredibly grateful to our volunteers, workshop leaders, and especially sponsors - your support is the backbone of this magical event.

Photos from the week are still rolling in - keep an eye on our social media pages to relive all the highlights!

See you all again next year!

The Hatherleigh Festival Committee





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Many thanks, kindest regards,
Lorraine

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Hatherleigh Carnival's Colour Run 2026...with a TWIST!

Saturday June 13th 2026

Join us for our Fourth year running at this very popular event. We will be looking for sponsors for this event, so if you don't want to miss out feel free to contact us.

A huge thank you to everyone who participated in the fabulous Sketchbook Show and to everyone who came along to enjoy them. By the time you read this they'll be back from the Shakespearean gardens in Manchester. Photos and news in the next Pump.

The Night Sky August 2025

Nights start to get noticeably darker this month. There is a meteor shower called the Perseids. You can see a Perseid meteor or two on pretty much any night in August. However it's peak is on the night of August 12th going into the early morning of the 13th. Anything between 60 and 80 meteors per hour. There could even be a few fireballs that leave smoke trails in the upper atmosphere. There will be a waning gibbous moon so only the brighter of the meteors will be visible but still it's a great shower to watch. The best time to observe the shower is between 11pm and 4am as it's at this time that the night side of the earth turns into the incoming meteor stream

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Choir: Thursday 11th September - 19:30 - 21:30 Both held weekly in Hatherleigh Community Centre.

This term, we're preparing for **Halloween Spooktacular 2**, our thrilling autumn concert taking place on **Saturday 25th October**. Expect a fang-tastic mix of eerie orchestral showpieces, haunting harmonies, spine-tingling surprises, and plenty of toe-tapping fun. Whether you're a seasoned musician or a shower-singer with courage, there's a place for you in our welcoming, inclusive, and joy-filled community.

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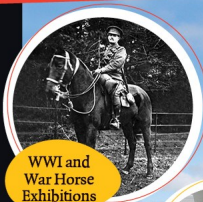
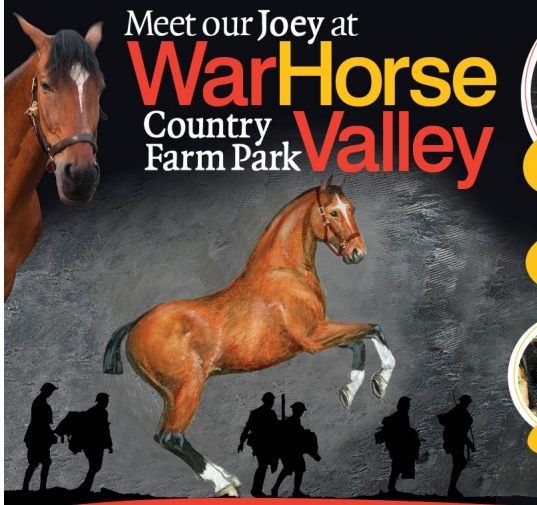
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Wednesdays

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Stand Sure Orchestra 7.30 pm – 9.30 pm
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Thursdays

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Hatherleigh Community Primary School

As I write, we have begun the final week of a very busy and enjoyable Summer term. I can't quite believe we are about to break for the long Summer holiday at the end of another academic year.

The weather has been splendid and we have been very fortunate to be able to hold our two biggest outdoor events, Sports day and the PTFA summer fayre without the threat of a downpour. Both were very enjoyable and well attended. Sports day took place at the Hatherleigh Cricket ground and saw classes from YR to Y6 competing in both track and field events and a lovely evening was enjoyed on the school field for the Summer fayre with a range of stalls and games including the ever popular soak the teachers.

The whole school came together for the grand final of Hatherleigh's Got Talent with performances from YR to Y6. Acts ranged from singing to card tricks with winners being chosen from KS1 and KS2 by a celebrity Governor judging panel.

As part of the Proms in the Playground initiative, Hatherleigh Silver band visited school for an assembly and a very enjoyable performance which was accompanied by our after school dance club.

Trips have included YR, Y1 and Y2 visiting the beach at Bude, KS2 cricket, netball and football matches and a Y1 trip to the world of country life.

Y6 completed a very successful three day residential trip to Bristol, travelling by train from Okehampton and engaging in environmental studies of different areas of the city and visits to many museums including the SS Great Britain and various Bristol landmarks.

The final week of school is especially important for our Y6 children; parents, friends and family will join us for the Y6 performance and then for leavers assembly and prize giving. We wish all the children in Y6 and other children moving on to new schools the very best of luck for the future.

A big thank you goes to the Parish Pump committee for their very kind and generous donation to the school to purchase a literacy shed for the playground, books and school supplies. This donation is very much appreciated and we can't wait to install the shed and for children to begin using it during play times next school year.

Finally and as always, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone in the Hatherleigh school community; children, parents/carers, school staff and the governing board for all of their hard work and support for the school this year and hope you have a lovely summer break with family and friends.

Alan Monger

Headteacher Hatherleigh Community Primary School



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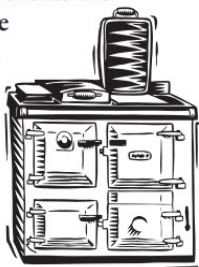


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with them all and my mum certainly got sick of bottling them and making jam. Joking aside, physical stresses caused by nature or bad treatment can have strange effects on plants. Too much water, not enough water, lack of food, too much food, not enough sun, too much sun, being too cold and constricted growth can all affect the little darlings and in some ways they are very like us. If you were stuck in a pair of tight fitting shoes all day then they'd hurt and you couldn't function normally and for plants, if they are stuck in a pot that constricts their roots they don't like it either. If we are in the bright, baking sun then we would put on a hat or move into the shade.... but plants can't move, they wilt. Drooping leaves is a sign to us that the plant is too hot and we may water it but very often, overnight, without watering the plant can seemingly pick up. Letting its leaves droop allows the plant to have less surface area facing the sun and it is a mechanism for them to preserve as much moisture as possible. If you don't eat or drink enough then your body will cease to function normally. If you eat and drink too much then you will be just as useless; the same is true of plants. Tomato plants need even watering. If you are a lazy waterer and forget for a day or two and then think you will make up for it by virtually drowning the plants the next day then the fruit skins will split..... just like the zip would pop on your trousers if you had a 10 course meal and 12 pints of lager! You will always get bigger garlic bulbs if you pull out the scape. With the onions I want to do pickled onions with, I plant the seeds very closely so they are all crowding each other and each plant will out compete the next to create a bud (which I take off if one appears, which isn't often) and then each plant concentrates on growing the biggest bulb possible in the minimal space I have given it and it will mature very small in comparison..... the perfect size for pickled onions! With strawberry plants I will let the older plants make runners but the younger ones I will take the runners off so they will make fruit buds for the next season. So, have some fun getting into the "mind" of your plants and it will bear fruit (literally!)

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On Tuesday 8th July, the chapel was full again but this time for the coffee morning; everyone was treated to a 'mini end of term' concert by the choir from Hatherleigh Primary School. Mrs Steph Quick runs an after school singing club and thought it would be a great experience for the children and a chance to share their songs. Everyone really enjoyed the singing and hope they might repeat a mini concert again!

The United Festival Service was a huge success. Revd Chris and Revd Leigh did a brilliant double act, and everyone in the packed marquee had a great, uplifting time together.

Hopefully, this will be repeated on August 17th during the Bandamonium weekend!

FLOWER FESTIVAL - To be held over the Bank holiday weekend - to START on SATURDAY 23rd at 10.00 a.m. - 5.00 p.m. Including a BUFFET LUNCH from 12.00 - 1.30 p.m. More details below. Please don't miss out on these spectacular displays!



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A big thank you to everyone who came to the Church Fete and the Open Gardens weekend. A lot of work went into making the gardens 'visitor ready' and they were very much appreciated.

It was lovely to see so many children and adults enjoying bug hunting during the festival. We are lucky to have such a variety of wildlife and plants. Keep an eye out for the date of the annual rake up, 2 weeks after all the grass is cut. Many hands make light work.

Please remember to keep your dog on a lead in the churchyard and pick up after it.

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Jane Fawcett

Northlew St Thomas of Canterbury Church and Friends of St Thomas'

The **Pet Service** last month brought together a host of different animals and their owners – several dogs, a cat, tortoises large and small and even a giant land snail. Ambrose, the larger tortoise, amused the congregation by wandering between the pews and up the nave during Jonathan's service as though on a mission to be first in the queue for a blessing.

The annual **Patronal Festival** service when we remember St Thomas of Canterbury also had its moments. A cast of locals including young children re-enacted Becket's murder in Canterbury Cathedral with considerable gusto though thankfully without injury. This was followed by our village fete with bouncy castle, teas, BBQ and bar, lots of different stalls and games, maypole dancing and entertainment from the Northlew Silver Band. Jonathan, our curate, was on the receiving end of a barrage of wet sponges - but fortunately the rain held off for the rest of us.

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