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	Wed 28 May	green bin



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*Cathy Miah
17 Springfields*

Food waste bins are collected on each of these dates.

Note: Garden waste collections, for those who have paid for them, normally coincide with the collection of the blue recycling bins.

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The Padbury

Parish



Pump

April / May 2025



It's a real pleasure to see the flowers and buds reappearing as they always do at this time of year. We've had some glorious days recently, with a real buzz of spring in the air. I hope that's a sign of good weather to come.

In my other role as Chair of the Village Hall committee, I apologise to regular users of the Village Hall for the disruption to schedules throughout March while the roof was being repaired. There has been much dust and noise in the hall while the roofers were working, which has made many of the daytime activities intolerable. At the time of writing, work was still progressing at a good rate thanks largely to the generally good weather we've had. Those of you who live close to the hall may have noticed the scaffolding alarm sounding occasionally at the weekend. Again, my apologies for that – we addressed the issue as quickly as possible to avoid too much of an annoyance.

Happy Easter Padbury!

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ST MARY THE VIRGIN, PADBURY – APRIL AND MAY

6 April – 5th Sunday of Lent	No Service
13 April – 3rd Palm Sunday	10.30 am – Holy Communion <i>Common Worship</i>
20 April – Easter Sunday	10.30 am – Holy Communion <i>Common Worship</i>
27 April – 2nd Sunday of Easter	No Service
4 May – 3rd Sunday of Easter	10.30 am – Village Praise <i>All age, Lay led service</i>
11 May – 4th Sunday of Easter	10.30 am – Holy Communion <i>Common Worship</i>
18 May – 5th Sunday of Easter	9 am – Holy Communion <i>Book of Common Prayer</i>
25 May – 6th Sunday of Easter	No Service
1 June – Sunday after Ascension Day	10.30 am – Village Praise <i>All age, Lay led service</i>

Easter Lilies - It has been the custom for many years in St Mary's Church to remember at Easter, our loved ones who are no longer with us, by submitting their names and a donation for the purpose of buying lilies. The lilies are used to decorate the church for Easter Day. The names of those remembered are also displayed. The lilies and names remain for several weeks. The church is always open in daylight hours.



If you would like to contribute please give the names and donation to **Revd Jenny Shields**, 8 West Furlong or Grace Tearle, The Gables, Main Street.

All the latest news from St Mary's can be found in the Monthly Edition of the **Lenborough Lantern**. It is not practical to print and deliver the Lantern to every household in Padbury, but it is available as follows:

- On-line via the Village Facebook page.
- Via e-mail. If you do not already receive a digital or a hard copy, and would like to do so, please get in touch.
- The latest copy is on the Noticeboard in the church porch.



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THE VILLAGE CALENDAR

When	What	Where
12 Apr	Big Breakfast	Village Hall
15 Apr (TBC)	Parish Council Meeting	Padbury Pavilion
9 May	VE Day celebration*	Village Hall
13 May (TBC)	Parish Council Meeting	Padbury Pavilion
24-26 May	Padbury Sick Benefit Weekend	Padbury village
14 Jun	Quiz + Fish & Chips	Village Hall
21-22 Jun	Padbury Open Gardens	Padbury village
8 Jul	Parish Council Meeting	Padbury Pavilion
6 Sep	Padbury Produce Show	Village Hall
9 Sep	Parish Council Meeting	Padbury Pavilion
25 Oct	Quiz + Fish & Chips	Village Hall
6 Dec	Local Crafts and Produce	Village Hall
9 Dec	Parish Council Meeting	Padbury Pavilion
<p>* Refer to the village Facebook page, Parish website, Village Hall website or this and future issues of The Pump for information.</p> <p>** Coffee mornings at the Village Hall are held from 9:30am on the first Friday of every month.</p> <p>*** Bingo is every Friday at 8pm in the Village Hall (weather permitting).</p>		

WELCOME TO THE APRIL / MAY '25 ISSUE



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 Please submit items for the Pump to the editor by email no later than Friday 23 May 2025 please.

I am sometimes asked what the deadline dates are for future issues of The Pump. To answer these questions, I've decided to list deadline dates for four issues beyond the next. Please note that it is helpful – **very** helpful! – if you send your articles to me by the listed deadline. Any copy or changes received more than two days after the deadline date **will not be included** in that issue.

Issue	Deadline
June/July 2025	23rd May 2025
August/September 2025	18th July 2025
October/November 2025	19th September 2025
*December 2025/January 2026	21st November 2025

*The December/January issue covers the Christmas period and MUST be available for distribution before the start of December.

Please make sure you plan and send your submissions in good time, and use these deadlines as an absolute latest target date.

Note that actual publication dates may vary due to personal or other circumstances.

The deadline for the next issue is **23rd May**, and anything received after **25th May will not be included!** As usual, I'll send an email to regular contributors 7–10 days before the deadline to remind them.

My thanks to the Parish Council for helping to fund The Pump's production costs. I know that it is appreciated by many in the village. As before, there will be a colour copy of this issue available on the [Padbury Parish Council](#) website after it has been circulated to all households in the village.

All that remains is to thank everyone for continuing to make living in Padbury such a pleasure and a privilege.

Dex

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PADBURY PARISH COUNCIL

PARISH CLERK THANK YOU AND WELCOME

We would like to thank **Pam Molloy** for her dedication to the residents and years working for the village as Parish Clerk. Pam and her husband have made the brave decision to leave Padbury to embark on a new adventure. We wish them every success!

We would like to welcome **Carol Swannell** to her new role as Parish Clerk. Carol has lived in the village for many years, has previously been a member of St. Mary's Parochial Church Council, and has significant career experience in the financial services sector. Welcome Carol!

THE FUTURE OF PADBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Following years of service, several councillors have decided to step down at the May election. This will lead to opportunities to change the shape of your parish council.

Please take the time to read **Cllr. Burton's** article ([on page 6](#)) which explains the process should you wish to consider being nominated for this interesting and rewarding role.

PLANNING APPEAL FOR PROPOSED 79 HOUSES (LAND NORTH OF A413 Padbury) - AN UPDATE

Three councillors and one Padbury resident attended the hearing into the appeal against the refusal of permission to build 79 houses on the edge of the village. The developer was represented by six people, including a barrister, but the planning inspector knew that the Padbury contingent was there! The decision is expected in week commencing 17 March, which is too late for this edition of the Padbury Pump but we will put the decision on the parish council website when it is known.

The relevant appeal/ planning application numbers are: **24/00092/REF Appeal (22/03695/ AOP) Outline Planning Application.**

CONSIDERATE PARKING

The Parish Council has received several complaints regarding parking around the village. Can we please remind residents to be mindful regarding where they park? Parking on the grass verges at this time of year is causing damage to the wet ground. Main Street and Springfields have been highlighted as particularly vulnerable. We all value considerate parking. Thank you for your co-operation.

VILLAGE STEWARDS AND RESIDENTS

We would like to thank our village stewards who have kindly given up their time to help maintain our village and keep it looking the best it can be. Particular thanks goes at this time to the volunteers and residents who maintain the verges for all of us to enjoy.

ROAD CLOSURES

For up-to-date information regarding road closures please check out Padbury Parish Council website, our Facebook page, or visit <https://one.network/>

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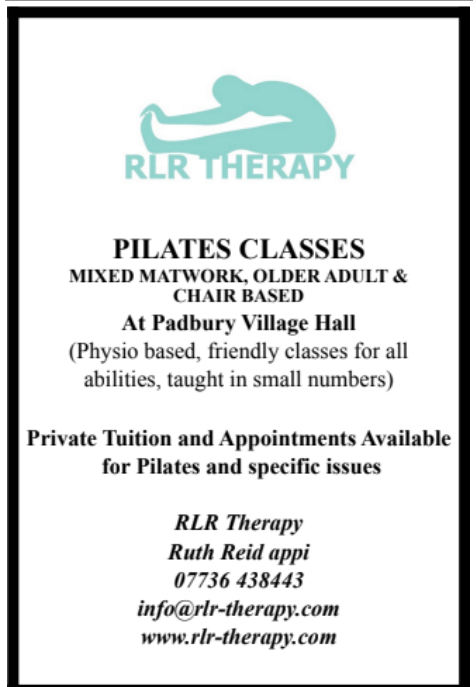
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By becoming part of the village Speedwatch campaign, you can play a part in sharing this data with Thames Valley Police to help prevent vehicles travelling at excess speeds in Padbury. As well as increasing Police presence this could lead to further traffic calming measures being implemented. Full training is offered for all new volunteers. You would be gathering data with two other volunteers at the roadside as vehicles pass. The Parish Clerk can provide further details if you would like to join.

USEFUL LINKS – A REMINDER

FIX MY STREET <https://fixmystreet.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/>

FLOOD ALERTS <https://www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings>

ROAD CLOSURES <https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/parking-roads-and-transport/check-for-roadworks-and-closures/>

BUCKINGHAMSHIRE HIGHWAYS - to report fallen trees etc. Tel. **01296 382416** (during office hours) or **01296 486630** (out of hours emergencies).

DOG FOULING <https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/waste-and-recycling/street-cleaning/report-dog-fouling-inline/>

PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE – news <https://padburyparishcouncil.com/news>

PLANNING

Decisions made by Buckinghamshire Council (Aylesbury Vale Area):

- 24/03365/APP – Householder application for single storey side extension and creation of new access for on site parking – 1 Jubilee Cottages. **APPROVED**
- 24/03211/APP - Householder application for demolition of existing conservatory. Two storey rear extension and single storey side and rear extension. Clad existing side extension with stained timber boarding and replace existing staircase – 25 Old End. **REFUSED**
- 24/03212/ALB – Listed building application for demolition of existing conservatory. Two storey rear extension and single storey side and rear extension. Clad existing side extension with stained timber boarding and replace existing staircase – 25 Old End. **REFUSED**

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Full copies of the agendas and minutes from meetings can be viewed on the Parish Council website or outside the village hall on the village noticeboard. Our meetings will be held at 7pm at Padbury Pavilion on the following dates:

15th April (Annual Parish Meeting)

13th May (Annual Meeting of the Parish Council)

8th July 9th September 9th December 2025

Residents are welcome to attend.

YOUR VILLAGE NEEDS YOU!

On **1st May** elections will be held for Padbury Parish Council. The council can consist of up to seven councillors, although at the moment there are six. Many of the existing councillors have decided, for various and understandable reasons, not to stand for re-election. So the village needs you!

To be nominated for election you must be:

- at least 18 years old
- a British citizen
- on the parish electoral roll, or in the last 12 months lived or worked in the village or live within three miles of the parish boundary
- and you need the support of two other Padbury residents.

An election is only held if there are more than seven nominations. Otherwise those who have put their names forward are elected without the formality of an election. There has not been an election in Padbury for many years as just enough residents have stepped up. If there are fewer than seven names, the councillors can co-opt others to bring the number up to seven.

There is no need for any particular knowledge of how a parish council works as training can be provided. The parish clerk, **Carol Swannell**, although new to her role, is there to help councillors. Also the retiring councillors have agreed to be on hand (or at least at the end of an email or telephone call) to give assistance if needed, contact is via the parish clerk.

If you would like an informal chat with a current councillor, please contact the parish clerk to arrange.

It would help, but is not a requirement, if you have other skills that would assist in the council's work. For example, someone with a legal background, or knowledge of planning matters, would be a great help. We have a website that needs looking after. It is not that difficult although a computer background would help. Do you have experience in land management or similar as the council is responsible for the millennium wood and other green matters around the village.

Without being ageist, most of the current councillors are of a certain age and younger people would be most welcome. There is also an imbalance in the male/female ratio, levelling this would be good.

The council meets six times a year (at the Padbury pavilion). In between, there may be email exchanges or WhatsApp calls to consider matters that do not fall into the meeting cycle. So being a councillor need not take up too much of your time. There is also a possible change in the law that would allow virtual meetings, so possibly no need to move from your armchair.

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PADBURY VILLAGE FOOTBALL CLUB



Padbury has had some very good results over the last couple of months. The adult team have continued their improved form from the Christmas holiday period, being unbeaten in February securing 3 wins and a draw. The Raptors U15s have had an excellent run of good form since the New Year with multiple victories combined with just one defeat, moving the team to the top of their Division 5 and raising hopes for silverware at the end of the season. The Cougars U13s similarly have been on a fine run of form winning 4 consecutive matches to move up their division.

The Club would like to acknowledge the support from **Thornton College** who have assisted the Club this season by hosting the Padbury Cougars U13s team for training & matches. With Club membership growth, there is insufficient capacity to operate all age groups at Springfields.

In the non-competitive Youth section, training & fixtures continue with the focus on individual development and enjoyment. At U11s, U10s, U9s and U7s all the teams have secured positive results in recent weeks.

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PVFC is part of the @Coopuk Local Community Fund, to find out more about our project and to choose us as your local cause, click here <https://membership.coop.co.uk/causes/92339>. Funding is available to local community projects supporting Youth and Well Being activities.

Information including fixtures, match reports, newsletters, and events can be found at www.pvfc.org.uk. Anybody interested in playing, volunteering, refereeing, running the match day tuckshop, or sponsorship, should contact **Peter** (Chairman), petermchenry@hotmail.com, 07740 930913 or **Mike** (Director of Football), Mikey.marsh71@gmail.com.



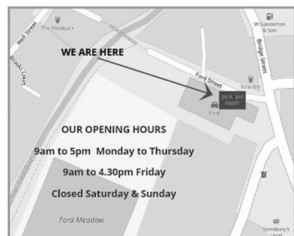
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To obtain the nomination form see the link below. It comes with instructions on its completion and there is other guidance (also see the link below). Our polling district is MBD and the elector number can be obtained by calling **01296 798141**.

The nomination form and the guidance for its completion can be downloaded from the news section of the Padbury parish website - <https://padburyparishcouncil.com/news>

If you cannot access the internet, please contact the parish clerk who can provide a copy of the nomination form.

What you need to do

Complete the nomination form and **hand deliver** to:

Deputy Returning Office
The Gateway
Gatehouse Road
Aylesbury HP19 8FF

The nomination form can be delivered from Tuesday 18th March, on a weekday, between 10am and 4pm. On Wednesday 19th and 26th March forms will be accepted until 8pm.

The **final deadline for delivery is 4pm, Wednesday 2nd April**.

The first meeting of the new council will be on 13 May. Be there!

PARISH COUNCIL CONTACT DETAILS

Website: <https://padburyparishcouncil.com>

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PADBURY PRE-SCHOOL

We've had a fantastic start to this half-term! It's been wonderful to see our new starters at preschool settling in so well, making new friends, and enjoying their time with us.

The children have taken part in a variety of celebrations, including Chinese New Year, Valentine's Day, Pancake Day, and Mother's Day. During Communication Week, we welcomed parents (past and present) and committee members to share a book with the children. World Book Day was a great success, with both children and staff using their imagination to dress up as their favourite characters. British Science Week sparked curiosity and excitement, as children engaged in fascinating experiments, exploring how and why things happen—carrying their discoveries into their play. One of the highlights of the term was our Mother's Day celebration, where children invited their mums and special guests into preschool for afternoon tea.

With the arrival of spring, Forest School is now a daily feature, taking place at the allotments or on the school site. Children also love participating in the Muddy Toddlers sessions, enjoying the great outdoors, jumping in puddles, and swinging in the hammock.

We're delighted to welcome three new bank staff members to our team, who have already become a valued part of our preschool family.

Donations & Registration Reminder

We gladly accept donations of craft supplies (such as paint, glue, and baking materials). Thank you for your support!

Registration

Looking to register your child for Padbury Preschool from September 2025 and beyond? Spaces are filling up quickly! To secure a place, contact **Claire McHenry**, our secretary, at theark@padburypreschool.co.uk.

We accept 2- and 3-year-old funding, tax-free childcare, childcare vouchers, and BACS payments. Additionally, from September 2025, working parents of 2-year-olds will be eligible for 30 hours of funded childcare.

Preschool Committee

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Demonstrations are on the evening of the last Thursday of the month in Winslow Bowls Club hall. Weekly painting groups meet in Padbury village hall on Tuesday mornings and Winslow Bowls Club on Thursday mornings. Places are dependant on space and there is a small charge to cover the cost of the hall

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GREENER PADBURY GROUP

Thank you to everyone who came to our AGM at the beginning of February. It was an enjoyable community evening, sharing food, wine – and green ideas. The level of interest in and support for what we are trying to achieve is very much appreciated.

Greener Padbury volunteers are making the most of the spring sunshine, and giving biodiversity a much needed helping hand. On Sunday 9 March, a band of woodland workers set about cutting in more scallops to the rides in the Millennium Woods; these are crucial to letting in light to the forest floor which in turn will encourage and support a whole host of wildlife. There will be more work parties coming up so please do email Robert (robertmanasse123@gmail.com) if you are interested in joining in. They are a great way to enjoy the woods, meet new people – and do wonders for your fitness!

The verges team are busy too. At the time of writing, we are awaiting delivery of multiple plants, courtesy of the Winslow & Villages Community Board and Preston Bissett Nurseries, and our volunteers are poised to get them in the ground! Watch out too for the weaving of a willow den in the Main Street playground...

Coming up:

Go Wild in the Woods, holiday activities free to families, is back for the Easter holidays!

Muddy Toddlers – booking now available for after Easter

Millennium Woods Birdsong Walk, Sunday 27 April, dawn and dusk

To book any of these, please visit www.greenerpadbury.com and follow the 'book now' link.

Eco TIPS

Easter is on April 20th this year. Consider some things to make it more sustainable – buy Easter Eggs with only cardboard and aluminium foil wrapping, which are both easily recycled. Even better, make sure the chocolate has been produced in a way that helps the producers earn a fair wage – look for the Fairtrade mark or read the small print.

Following Easter, Earth Day is on April 22nd, 2025. How about turning off all your electrical devices and get away from technology, lighting candles, or going for an evening walk in our beautiful village?

If you're planning to deep clean your house this spring, try doing it using eco-friendly products. Swap those toxic conventional cleaning products for natural, eco-friendly cleaners. From windows to kitchen counters to your shower, you can clean almost everything with white vinegar mixed with water. Baking soda can be incredibly effective for cleaning sinks, eliminating mildew, removing stains, and deodorizing.

No mow May is just round the corner. A small patch of unmown grass will really benefit small insects and invertebrates and encourage more wildlife into your garden.

Tina Mitchell.

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For all enquiries and to check availability - Please contact the Parish Clerk on:

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PADBURY VILLAGE HALL

Village Hall Roof

Work has started to replace the roof, which was in a state of disrepair with rain leaking into the building at times. The committee would like to apologise to hall users for any inconvenience experienced during this time, and to thank them for their patience.

For Your Diary

Padbury Big Breakfast- Saturday 12th April, from 9.30 am – 12noon.

Join us for a delicious breakfast, hosted by St Mary's Church and Padbury Village Hall.

Meat will be provided by **Padbury Meats**, there will also be a cake stall.

Big breakfast price £10.

Sausage and bacon butties will also be available.

Drop in, or book a table from **Pam Sirett**- pamsirett725@btinternet.com

VE Day 80th Anniversary Celebration - There will be an evening of entertainment by the popular **Polka Dots Vintage Harmony Trio**, who will help us celebrate this important occasion.

Date- **Friday 9th May**.

The evening will start at 7.30 pm, with a bar and nibbles provided.

40s/50s style dress optional.

Tickets £20 - available from **Trish Illif-Rolfe** - 07778 172008.

For more information about The Polka Dots visit Padbury Village Facebook page.

Quiz/ Fish & Chip Supper- This popular event will be held on **Saturday June 14th**.

Fish & chips will be provided by **Howe & Co chip van**.

For further information please see posters around the village or Padbury village Facebook page.

100+ Club Grand Draw Winners:

1st prize £250, No 49 – Mrs V Gibbard. 2nd prize £150, No 158 – Jo Bonney.
3rd prize £100, No 138 – Mrs P Reilly. 4th prize £50, No 43 – Mrs R Fisher.

The 100+ Club raises much needed funds for the Village Hall. By paying £20 per year, your name will be entered into a monthly draw. The first draw of the year 2025/2026 will be held in June 2025. For those who wish to renew their numbers, the committee member who collects from them will be in touch shortly.

If you would like to join the lottery, there is still time, please contact **Wendy Bull** email@wendybull.co.uk

Coffee Morning – The village hall coffee morning is held on the **first Friday of every month**, from 10.30am until 12noon. Join us for a cuppa and a slice of homemade cake, we would love to see you.

Hiring the village hall

To hire the Village Hall please contact the Booking Secretary, **Sue Hamp** (née Paxton)- susanepaxton02@outlook.com or 07725 565219.

Wendy Bull, Secretary

CLASSIC CAR EVENT

As part of this year's **Padbury Open Garden Weekend**, there will be a Classic Car event held in the grounds surrounding St Mary's church.

It will take place from **12.00 on Saturday the 21st June**. Entry will be free.

There will be a BBQ, side shows, and a raffle to raise funds for St Mary's.

Please send details of your car/tractor/motorbike i.e. make and year to **Chris Sutton** email c.r.w.s@btinternet.com

NEW WINSLOW RAIL SERVICES

New Winslow Rail Services are reaching out to get views from residents ahead of the opening of a new rail service connecting Oxford and Milton Keynes (Via Winslow). They would like to get your views on the new rail services to ensure Winslow station meets the needs of the local community.

A residents' travel survey is designed to capture local views and perspectives on how this new rail connection can best serve Winslow and the surrounding areas, including Buckingham.

You can help this process by accessing and completing the survey at <https://survey.zohopublic.eu/zs/FdBZFc>. It should take about 12 minutes to complete. The closing date for the survey is 30th April 2025.

The new rail service opening dates will be confirmed later in 2025. There will be two trains per hour, offering a 45-minute journey time between Oxford and Milton Keynes with services running between 0600 and 0000.

If you have any questions, please email them to stakeholders@chilternrailways.co.uk.

ART NEWS

In 2024 Padbury artist **Peter Austin** was asked to participate in three exhibitions including the prestigious Wells International Exhibition of Contemporary Art in Wells Cathedral.

This year he is again exhibiting some of his work in the **St.Barbe Museum & Gallery** in Lymington, in an exhibition which runs from **22nd March until 26th April**.

If you are in the area - interested in art, camping in the New Forest or perhaps tending your boat - you might like to visit!

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PADBURY OPEN GARDENS

Padbury



Padbury Open Gardens Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd June from 2pm – 5pm on each day.

Plans are well under way for Padbury Open Gardens. Entry will be £5 a day for an adult, free for children, which includes all the gardens and entertainment. There will be well-advertised pay points and maps at the Village Hall, Car Park and every garden. General parking will be in the Church car park.

We are delighted to have a variety of gardens on show, of all sizes and stages of development, together with the allotments, the Churchyard, and information about the wonderful verge planting. There will be musical entertainment including the **U3a ukulele band** and **Miles Nottage**. A grand raffle is planned as well as a tombola, so expect to be nagged to buy a ticket!

Very importantly, on Saturday 21st there are plans for an extensive display of CLASSIC VEHICLES, in the paddock behind the Church Yard, a contrast to the gardens and a real feast for the eyes. Rumour has it that there may be a BBQ!

We are honoured that one garden will showcase the innovative and creative Chelsea Gold Medal winning display “Rootfull” - www.rootfull.com if you would like a preview.

There must be a competition! You are challenged to fashion a bee, no less than 15 cms long, from any media, BEE- CREATIVE BEE-AMAZING BEE-FLAMBOYANT – there will be a prize!

The weekend coincides with Open Studios at The Old Chapel and there will also be a display of local photographs.

Refreshments of all types will be available in the Village Hall and around the gardens, but SET AFTERNOON TEAS in the majestic hallway of Padbury Lodge are going to be very special indeed. Teas will be high quality with a lovely variety of sandwiches, scones, cakes, mini desserts and tea or coffee all served at your table. There will be two sittings of 25 people each at 2 pm and 3.30 pm each day. Teas MUST be pre-booked and pre-paid. The cost will be £20 a head to include a wander in the extensive gardens of Padbury Lodge.

Reservations are NOW OPEN. Please e-mail or phone* your full contact details together with the number of tickets required, date and sitting. Payment will secure your booking, by BACS** or by cash/cheque (payable to Parochial Church Council of Padbury) to 1 Potters Glen, strictly limited tickets in order of receipt.

Thank you for all for your offers of help and support, it is going to be a lovely weekend!

Margaret Templeton

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PURDEY CONSERVATION AWARDS

Following a comprehensive judging process and competing against numerous entries nationwide, Padbury Hill Farm owners **Justin** and **Sue Farrington-Smith** were delighted to be invited to Audley House in London for the 2024 Purdey Awards ceremony.

Hosted by the Duke of Richmond and Duke of Wellington, Padbury Hill Farm was highly commended for the conservation work and initiatives that have been undertaken over the past twenty five years, and Justin was delighted accept a finalist certificate.

Many other dignitaries were present including Peter Phillips, who stressed the importance of good conservation in the UK’s countryside.

Justin said “We were honoured to be recognized at such a prestigious conservation competition and we will continue to improve the wildlife habitat here at Padbury Hill Farm. However, as spring is approaching and ground-nesting birds such as grey partridges will start to take up residence, please can we request that walkers remember to stick to the footpath and keep dogs on a lead!”



Justin and Sue Farrington-Smith



Do you need a lift?

Do you need help with transport for hospital or any other appointments, or perhaps collecting shopping or prescriptions?

If so, there are people in the village who are happy and willing to help. Initially, please call **Sara Birch**; although she may not necessarily be able to help you herself, she should be able to find someone who can!

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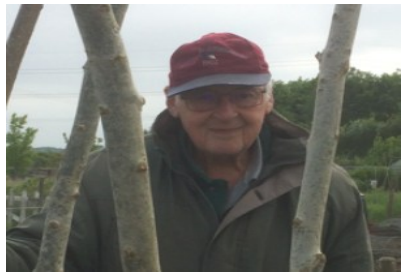
MICK GOUGH

I took this picture of **Mick Gough** a few years ago when he was still actively working his allotment plot. Over many decades he cultivated several plots and was generous in sharing his produce when he had a glut of some crop. He used to cycle up from his Dairyland home when he was in his late eighties and, like many of us, he used to lose track of time. **Mavis** would arrive to instruct him to come home and she invariably gave him a telling off for leaving his phone at home.

Mick was a gentle man who gave advice to new allotmenters, but only when asked to do so. He wasn't someone who looked critically at the efforts of newbies and shook his head. Somehow he made successful vegetable growing look easy but he did so by following the golden rule of little and often.

Towards the end of his active years, and after he had given up his plot, Mick would drive up just to see what was growing and to have a chat with whoever was around.

He was a gentleman.



Kate Harper

PADBURY FRIENDLY AFTERNOON CLUB

At our February meeting we were splendidly entertained by **John Burgess** and **Sue Herring** and songs they sang were so well known and popular that many joined in! In March we were joined by the young generation from Year 4 at Padbury School for an afternoon of games. Everyone had smiles on their faces and the Pavilion was filled with laughter. The time flew past and our visitors were sad to go.

Our April meeting will be Bingo and Carol will kindly be letting us use her machine again. In May we will be having a celebration tea for the 80th Anniversary of VE day. There will be some entertainment and it would be lovely if we can bring photos of that time or any relatives in uniform, to tell their stories.

Meetings are open to all from 2 – 4pm on the second Wednesday of each month except August. Do come and join us!

Tina Mitchell 814544 randtmitchell@tiscali.co.uk

PADBURY WI

Hilary Audus gave us an illuminating talk about her life as an animator and illustrator with a special emphasis on The Snowman at our February meeting. She also touched on her current work as a sculptor. We were delighted to welcome 16 visitors on the night.



Having decided to move our Annual Meetings to March we held the first of these on the 13th and continue with the same officers – **Sue Chadbund** as President, **Sue Christelow** as Secretary and **Karen Burton** as Treasurer. We rounded off the evening with a lively Beetle Drive.

We will hold an open meeting on 10th April when **David Barnes** will speak about the Medical Detection Dogs charity and the fantastic work that they are doing.


For our May meeting **Victoria Grainge** will talk to us about creating a cherry orchard in Great Horwood.

In June we will learn how to play Mexican Dominoes, a fun and addictive game. Sombreros optional!

Visitors are very welcome at any of our meetings and the entrance fee is £4.00 including refreshments. If you would like somebody to accompany you or give you a lift please contact us via the email below.

Find out more about Padbury WI by visiting our website, padburywi.weebly.com or email padburywi@gmail.com.

Sue Christelow, Secretary




**PADBURY COMMUNITY
SPEEDWATCH GROUP**

Do you have a couple of spare hours a month?
Would you like to tackle the problem of speeding
within Padbury Village?

If your answer is 'YES' to the above, then please get in touch and
join the existing volunteers of the
Padbury Community Speedwatch Group.

Please contact Pam (Parish Clerk) via: Tel: **07961 827302** or
Email: padburyparishcouncil@gmail.com



If you are able to donate anything, however small, it would be truly appreciated. If you know of any companies that may be able to donate to a charity, please do pass on the link below. The PFA is the parent charity leading the fund raising on our behalf. We have £1155 so far and are hoping to get nearer £10,000 if we can.

<https://www.kindlink.com/fundraising/THE-PADBURY-PRESCHOOL-AND-SCHOOL-PARENT-AND-FRIEND/classroom>

That is it for now but please email the office if you have any questions or would like to ask more about the fund raising going on at school.

*Many thanks
Lucy McFarlane*

BINGO

Bingo seems to be going great at the moment. We have recently had some new people come and support us from Winslow and Buckingham. The more support we get the more we can raise to help support our lovely Village Hall, especially with all that's going on at the moment. Big thanks go out to the ladies that help me every week and to **Bob** for calling.

Every new person tells me they are made to feel so welcome, so why not come along on a Friday evening and join us.

Keep your eyes on Padbury Facebook page weekly to make sure that Bingo is on that week.

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PADBURY TENNIS CLUB

Spring is in the air and time to play tennis!

The new club membership year starts at the start of April as does the chance to join in regular play. Keen members have been training and practising with Ed the Coach's sessions throughout the winter to be ready for the new season. Social tennis restarts at the beginning of April as the clocks go back, and the club's team will be practising earnestly to be ready for the league which starts in May.

The team is in Division 5 of the TennisMK summer league this year. So we hit the ground running! We have organised a practise match against a Buckingham side, just after Easter, to polish off the edges.

If it is joining in with club sessions or playing as a family, there is no better way to get some exercise in the fresh air whilst having some good fun. Why not come along and have a go. Trial sessions are available both for the coaching and in social club play before joining.

The junior coaching programme continues on Tuesday's with **Ed Harwood**, with spaces available. If interested for your children, both younger and teenagers, please contact Ed on **07548 254948** or eddharwood@hotmail.com

Anyone interested to join the club would be most welcome, whatever your standard. Contact the membership secretary, **David Green** on padburytcmemb@gmail.com for more information.

Dave Green





**Padbury
45th Produce Show**
6TH SEPTEMBER 2025

New Beginnings

This year's show will be on the 6th September &
the theme will be:

'New Beginnings'

We welcome all villagers to partake and support our
annual village produce show- there are classes for
everyone. Join in, support, showcase your produce, and
most importantly- join in on the fun!



Class 63- A Photo

Entries can be in the form of a hard copy, which can be sent
up to and on the day of the show (06/09/25), OR digitally,
uploading a photo on to our Facebook page by FRIDAY 29TH
AUGUST

Make sure to head over to our Facebook page to
find our judges hints, tips & more.



NEWS FROM PADBURY CE SCHOOL



It has been a while since I have managed to submit anything to the Pump so apologies. We have been having a busy time.

What have we been up to?

We have been busy getting on with the job of teaching and learning as well as continuing to try to offer our children as many opportunities outside of the classroom. Children are making good progress and have settled well into the year.

In the Autumn term we enjoyed celebrating the Harvest Festival at church and the younger children performed a lovely nativity play called 'The Fleece Force'. This year we invited the community to join us for one of the performances and this was a success I would like to continue with later this year. Please do keep your eyes open for more details when we agree dates later in the year if this is something you would like to do.

Back in October we also enjoyed another Grandparents Day where the hall was full of grandparents for every child in Early years and KS1. How lucky are we? It was a real treat to see everyone with their families having a lovely time.

This term, our Year 4 children are joining the 'Padbury Friendlies' in an afternoon of playing games and chatting. It was successful last year and will be again this year I am sure. It will be held at the pavilion this year as the Village Hall is under scaffolding!

In February the children in KS2 (yrs 3,4,5,6) attended the Young Voices concert in Birmingham where they sung their hearts out. As before, the children were a delight to take, and the staff were all incredibly proud of them. Singing in our school is a real strength.

This year we have also been busy raising money for charity. So far, we have supported the Breast Cancer UK charity with Wear it Pink Day, Children in Need in November and Comic Relief in March. In total we have raised over £300 which is great.

Our allotment continues to be prepared, and I am hopeful that children will be able to start using it in the coming months. Thank you to Mrs Kelly, one of our teaching assistants for putting in so much time to make what we have got so far, possible.

Can you help?

This year we have noticed a significant change in the number of children now in our school with Special Education Needs (SEN) and it has highlighted that our school is not as well equipped as it needs to be in order to meet needs. We have already spent money on new fencing and dividing a room into two smaller breakout rooms, but we are currently find raising for an additional room that we can use to support teaching groups of children.

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