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This is an Overton Oracle produced in extraordinary times.

We are not able to distribute it in the usual way

If you are reading this online are you able to print off a copy and put it through the door of a neighbour who you know doesn't have the internet?

Until a change is announced - Stay at home.

- **Only go outside for food, health reasons or work (but only if you cannot work from home)**
If you go out, stay 2 metres (6ft) away from other people at all times.
- **Wash your hands as soon as you get home.**
- **Do not meet others, even friends or family.**

You can spread the virus even if you don't have symptoms.



Overton Village Fete and

Parade, due to be held in June 2020, has been cancelled due to corona virus.

Overton Scarecrow Festival

May 1st to 15th. Get making! Details from Jude Mouldsdales.

The Pop up Post Office

in the Parish Rooms is now on **Wednesdays** and is open (hopefully) between 10.00am and 12 noon



50 Years Ago this month

14th May 1970 saw the formation of Overton Athletic Football Club. see p6

Free book for children

The new FREE information book explaining the coronavirus to children, is illustrated by the Gruffalo illustrator, Axel Scheffler. Have a look at website <https://nosycrow.com>

Keep in touch

For those on Facebook join these groups to keep updated on what's going on and for support in our area

'Overton-on-Dee Community'

'Covid19, Penley, Overton on Dee and local rural areas'

'overton on dee...a lovely funny old village'



Overton Community Council News

We hope that you all had the best possible time over Easter, under the circumstances. Whatever you were doing, Easter 2020 will be one you will never forget. We are living through extraordinary times and despite everything it is fantastic to see how many ordinary people are coming together in extraordinary ways to help their friends, neighbours and the community at large. In addition to Overton's front line NHS staff (who on successive Thursdays have been clapped and cheered ... numbers of people clapping and noise levels are growing, keep it up Overton) and other key workers, we'd like to say an equally massive thank you to the army of Buddies and Volunteers who are doing so many things within the community to help everyone who is in the vulnerable category, those who are self-isolating and now those who will be shielding for the next 12 weeks.

Buddies are doing a fantastic befriending job, checking in with their neighbours to make sure they have everything they need. And, via the Volunteers, we now have collections 7 days per week from Stan's, daily deliveries from the butcher as well as a daily prescription pick up service. If your prescription isn't already being picked up for you, please call Charlotte on **07960 538089** to arrange this, letting her know the day your prescription will be ready and giving your full address.

The army of Volunteers will be able to turn their hands to most things so if there is anything you need, contact us direct (**all the contact details are on the Back Page**) or contact your Buddy. There is an amazing support network here in Overton and we want to make sure that no one feels like they're alone.

Help is available

Thanks to a generous donation, a local fund has been established to help residents during the current crisis. This allows modest grants to be payable to provide immediate financial support to alleviate hardship or provide protective equipment.

The fund is being administered by a Trust and decisions will be made on a case by case basis as received until the fund is depleted. In any event the fund will end by 31st December 2020. Requests for grants may be made by or on behalf of any resident or family within the Overton Community Council Area. We are keen to see this money being used to help local people. Anyone requiring further information should contact overtoncovidfund@gmail.com. All contact will be treated confidentially.

Musings from the Manse

by Rev'd Phillip Poole



I've been thinking back to how I spent Easter last year. I shared in a lovely Maundy Thursday meal and communion with Methodist Church members in Wrexham. Then on Good Friday morning I led worship in Llangollen Methodist Church, followed a walk of witness into the middle of the town. We gave out Easter eggs to the children we met, sang choruses on the library steps and wishing 'Happy Easter' to lots of holidaying families. I spent Easter Saturday with my family, and then on Easter Sunday I got up early and went on to the church rooftop at Regent Street, Wrexham for an early morning celebration in brilliant sunshine. Later that morning I led worship in Llangollen, where we decorated a cross with flowers as a symbol of Jesus' resurrection and the children led us in an Easter chorus. We all joined in the actions, rolling the stone away from Jesus' tomb. Then in the evening I preached in Overton and our service was a celebration of the wonderful Good News of Jesus' resurrection.

This Easter has been very different, simply because we have not been able to do so many of the things that have made Easter special in the past, and that is true for all of us. It is hard to come to terms with how quickly and how completely life has changed for all of us in just a few weeks.

Chapter 20 of John's gospel tells us that in the days following Jesus' death his disciples hid behind closed doors, afraid that if they showed their faces outside they might come to harm. They were confused and demoralised, wondering how things could have come to this. John tells us that even though they were locked in, Jesus found them and came to them. He showed himself to them, alive and well, though his body still bore the marks of his cruel crucifixion, and he brought them peace and reassurance. In fact his greeting to them was, 'Peace be with you.'

Easter reminds us that there is reason to be hopeful, even in the darkest of circumstances. The Gospel message is that death is defeated and that freedom and new life are waiting for us beyond our present trials. One day, hopefully soon, normal life will recommence, but when it does let's not be too quick to forget what life was like under lockdown. Let's be properly thankful for the big and small things that enrich our lives day by day and not take them for granted as we may have done in the past. Meanwhile, I hope we can all find comfort and peace in the ongoing presence of Jesus, just as the first disciples did. Remember, he is only ever a prayer away, even when we are behind locked doors. *Phil Poole*

Keeping Busy

Gertie Osborne who was 108 on April 24th is still helping with the household tasks in Marchwiell with her daughter and son-in-law. Here she is peeling potatoes. Gertie sends her best wishes to everyone at this difficult time.



email: overtonoracle@gmail.com

Eastwick Plant Centre

Mental health and well-being is so important, now more than ever before, consequently we at Eastwick are keen to offer several services to our customers at this time.

We are allowing customers to order over the telephone, or via Facebook and collect from the gate (they can pay cash or over the phone), and you can order for delivery (within a 5 mile radius, over £15), Alternatively we have introduced a time-slot system whereby people can come in, browse and buy in perfect isolation.

Bedding plants should be ready in May, £2.50 a tray. Basket plants, £1.25 or 10 for £10, are available now, as are veg seeds, compost, bark and a range of shrubs, trees and perennials. We're also at the end of the phone to offer advice or provide further information.

We can be contacted on Tel. Nos. 01978710848 or 07815135434. Alternatively, we are on Facebook.

It is a great opportunity for us all to get out and plant to keep spirits high - we hope we can help in this respect!

Paul and Chris Scott-Davies



Knolton Nursery

Hanging basket plants compost, bedding and veg plants available, especially tomato plants. Ring to order, collect and arrange payment. Tel: 01978 710308



Bell ringing at St Mary's

Welcome to the first regular bell ringing update from St Mary's bell ringers. There will be an update 3 times a year to keep you all informed of our plans.

Obviously, all bell ringing across the country is suspended at the moment as we observe social distancing. I am delighted to report that before the lockdown, and as a result of a recent plea on the Overton Facebook page, we have 2 new learners.

They are learning the skills in the training tower of St Mary's, Chirk and squeezed three sessions in on a Monday evening before the lockdown. When they are able to 'handle a bell' they will be introduced into the Overton tower. If anyone is interested in learning to ring, please email me on claremorris@live.co.uk.

Our small band look forward to ringing for you all again soon. *Clare Morris*



St Mary's Church is open (even when we are closed)

Having to close our beautiful church building, during the current crisis, has been a terrible shock, especially as it meant that we couldn't enjoy it during the wonderful season of Easter. The building may be closed, but the church is open.

That's because, of course, the church is the people – and many St Mary's folk are quietly supporting family, friends and neighbours, as we all are at this time.

We are also still worshipping. We have been recording worship in Overton Rectory and broadcasting on our own YouTube channel, "St Hilary's, Erbistock and St Mary's, Overton". There are also links from our Facebook page, 'St Mary The Virgin Overton on Dee', and we are just about to launch our NEW website www.stmarysoverton-on-dee.org. Come and visit us! Let's all keep safe, stay healthy, and pray for an end to this crisis. Do contact me if I can help you in any way. Revd Peter Mackriell revpeter@maelormissionarea.uk or ring 01978 710294.

Acts of kindness

In these difficult times there are so many acts of kindness all around us. Let us celebrate this. Here are some examples of kindness in our village.



I am beyond grateful and utterly speechless at the random act of Easter kindness from Rob & Kay Lawrenson. After seeing my query looking for a sandpit, they made one for FREE for my super grateful and ecstatic children. So thank you, thank you, thank you from the bottom of my heart. You're 2 very special people.
Lucy Humphriss xx

Thank you to who ever has been winding the church clock.



In these times of quiet, its chimes are like the beating heart of the village.

Thanks to Lillie for the Easter bunnies and chicks hidden around the village for children to spot on their daily walk, bringing some Easter cheer.

Thanks to St Mary's School for providing continuous childcare/education to children of First Line workers in the community. Thank you teachers and teaching assistants who were still working during the Easter holidays.

Thank you to all those who are collecting litter when on their daily exercise. This crisp packet was found during a litter pick on the outskirts of Overton. The sell by date (2011!) shows it is over 9 years old and that they **do not** biodegrade!



Thank you to Mike, Ben & everyone at M E Evans Butchers who have worked tirelessly to provide us with all the commodities we require.

Thomas and Josh's poem

St Mary's School

You are
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The Dough Nation Station would like to thank all the amazing people from the village who made a donation for us to treat Key Workers to complimentary pizza, drinks & desert during the lockdown. We are still receiving donations and will continue to use anything we receive to treat anyone who's nominated. If there are any other key workers in the village that we haven't reached we'll try to cover everyone so please email doughnationstation@outlook.com

Words are inadequate to truly express how grateful I am to live in Overton at this restrictive time. I have felt so well supported by family and friends and our excellent butchers that my isolation isn't too bad at all. I count myself lucky. Compared to key workers who are risking so much doing their work day after day, as I say, I am lucky and I count my blessings every day.
Thank you, everyone. Keep safe. *Anne Butt*

Mixed memories

One of the lovely aspects has been the way our community has risen to the challenge of helping neighbours, bringing together different ages. With this in mind it would be an idea to encourage people to write their thoughts about their experiences during this time, whether in poetry or prose. We hope children will get involved too, May 8th marks VE Day. We are all aware that celebrations may be more muted than planned due to restrictions but we still want to help mark the occasion. It would be wonderful if residents could also share their memories of VE Day and if there are any photographs to add that would be brilliant. We could then put all the contribution together in a book marking community spirit and resilience from 1945 to 2020. Get started now and more details next month.

Overton Community Growers Gardening tips for May

- Plant out tender vegetables and annual flowers.** Climbing beans, courgettes and most annual flowers can be susceptible to frost damage & late frost can occur right up until the end of May. Keep an eye on the overnight weather temperature forecasts and be ready to cover the plants, horticultural fleece is great if you have it but anything not too heavy will do for the odd night eg: re-use some old bubble wrap packing or an old blanket
- Divide spring bulbs & flowers.** Over crowded clumps of snowdrops, daffodils and primroses can all be dug up and divided into smaller parts and replanted. It means you get loads of free plants to look good for next year, mark where they are though or you may accidentally weed them out.
- Earth up potatoes.** As the tops of potato plants appear put more earth/compost or even straw over them. They can get damaged by frost, but also as the potatoes grow they may poke out of the soil and turn green (the green bits are inedible) so lots of soil on top helps you get a good edible crop.
- Hoe.** On dry soil a good sharp hoe can save you a lot of weeding later in the year. Run it lightly over the top slicing small weeds in half. Try not to hack at big or perennial weeds, dig those out instead.



Home Education for the Children of St Mary's School

At the time of writing, nearly two weeks of Lockdown and school closures have gone by and the children of St Mary's are busy at home with their learning. Whilst taking these first, tentative steps into the new world of home education, pupils have also been reminded to keep active and fit on a daily basis.

As well as project work, Year 6, for example, have been set tasks via Google Classroom, Studyladder and various other online learning resources, such as White Rose Maths Party and First Newspaper's iHub. It's all about balance as children and parents adjust to the new ways of home learning. Thomas, aged 11, told reporters via Google Classroom: "I have had a good first week because I have had lots of time in the garden and I have been reading on the trampoline. I have also made baked cookies and scones. Yesterday, Joshy (my younger brother) and I made giant bubbles in the garden."

Children have also been keeping active by participating in online fitness and exercise tutorials; the most well-known of which is Joe Wicks for his P.E sessions. His fun sessions at 9am each morning have gathered a huge following of people all around the world who are keeping fit together from their living rooms. Sophie, via the Year 6 Google Classroom stream, told us that everyone in her house is feeling great. She has got a timetable to make sure she stays on task. So far she has started to grow plants and vegetables in her greenhouse. She has also been doing half-an-hour sessions with the Body Coach (Joe Wicks) every day. She has been doing IXL, Studyladder and everything she 'possibly can to stay on task with the curriculum'.

Home learning is certainly different but we have all been doing our best in these times when we need to stay home to keep safe. It will take some adjusting to; Oscar told us how much he is missing seeing his classmates. Mrs Williams, Year 6 teacher, wrote on our class stream: 'It's really interesting to hear everyone's experiences of the first week. I'm glad that everyone is keeping busy - not just with the tasks I'm suggesting but with other activities like getting fresh air, staying social online and baking; as it's all about balance. I'm adjusting to life in 'Lockdown' at the moment; I prefer teaching in a classroom and the routine and interaction this provides but I hope that our online learning experience will grow as I develop my own skills in delivering online learning content.'

At this time, it is good to reflect on everything the Community is doing to help the more vulnerable amongst us. In Overton, and around the world, every Thursday night, people have been going outside their houses to ring bells, and applaud the NHS for their marvellous works throughout this time. It's important to realise we are all playing our part by staying at home to keep people safe and help our NHS.

by Year 6 'At Home' Reporters Eliza Dodd, Jess Rowley and Ethan Evans



Jess with a home science experiment

Overton Playcentre

Hi Folks, hope you are all well and keeping safe! We thought that we should update you all regarding what has been happening over the last few weeks. As you know Overton Playcentre is closed following Government guidelines but we have been able to support the school with looking after children of keyworker parents with wrap around using staff from both settings. Glynis and Jackie have been doing an amazing job delivering the childcare when needed and Sarah and I are sorting out the finance and bookings for it. All our other staff have been furloughed under the new Government Coronavirus Staff Retention Scheme. Currently we are finding and applying for grants to ensure that we can continue to provide the wrap around to support the school, pay staff and be able to reopen when we are permitted to do so!

We aim to upload a song and a story session on our FB 'Overton Playcentre CIO' page every weekday since we closed so do go and have a look if you can! Thank you to all who donated to our Easter fundraisers before they were cancelled due to the lockdown. We hope you do not mind but we gave a box of goodies to our wonderful workers, our unsung heroes who are keeping the school and the wrap around going for the children of our keyworker families!

Although the Playcentre building is closed our flowers and vegetables have had a lovely display (see photo right) If you need to contact Overton Playcentre at all please email us

overtonplaygroup@yahoo.co.uk Please keep safe and all of us at Overton Playcentre send you lots of love and are really looking forward to seeing you all again when we reopen!



Time to do some cooking

A simple recipe for Spring
Asparagus & lamb chop tray bake

Serves 2

250g white potatoes

4 lamb chops

2 tbsp olive oil

250g asparagus

260g frozen peas

A few sprigs of rosemary



Preheat oven to 200°C / 180°C fan / or Gas Mark 6. Bring a medium pan of water to boil while you chop your potatoes into small chunks. Add potatoes to boiling water and cook for 10 mins, then drain. Place a large frying pan on the heat and add a drizzle of olive oil. Once the oil is hot add lamb chops and sear on both sides until browned.

Place the potatoes in medium oven tray and place the lamb chops in among them. Add the rosemary, asparagus spears and peas and drizzle with remaining oil. Roast in the oven for 10 mins until asparagus is cooked and the potatoes are crisp.

May 8th - 75th Anniversary of VE Day

May 8th is the 75th anniversary of VE Day. Although the commemorations, national and in our village, have been put on hold and we must stay at home, a suggestion is -

- **Why not decorate your house, put the flags and bunting out!** (and send us a photo for next months Oracle please).
- Have a party (just for those in your household) on your doorstep or front garden, and you can wave to neighbours in their front gardens. A bit like Thursday evening clapping - but with cake!

It is also only right that we remember those that are commemorated on Overton War Memorial as having given their lives in World War II.

Fusilier Norman Henry Bolland Service No 14692323

He was the son of Charles & Beatrice Bolland of Poethlyn Terrace, School Lane, Overton. He joined the 7th Battalion Royal Welch Fusiliers.

He died from shrapnel wounds on 14th April 1945. He was 19 years old.

He is buried in Becklingen War Cemetery, Grave 5.D.11. Niedersachsen, Germany

Guardsman Reginald Hillman Service No 2615895

He lived in Salop Road, Overton and joined the 4th Battalion Grenadier Guards. The 4th Battalion was part of the 6th Guards Tank Brigade Group. They subsequently served in the North West Europe Campaign of 1944-45, taking part in several actions, including the Battle for Caen June to August 1944. He was killed on the 14th August 1944. He was 23 years old.

He is buried in Bayeux War Cemetery, France, Grave VIII.B.14

Flight Lieutenant George Frederick Lindsay Service No 115289

He was the son of Thomas Charles & Lily Jane Lindsay who lived in the High Street, Overton, the house to the right of the old Post Office. He was married to Constance Mary Lindsay and they lived at 'Greenoaks', Hall Moss Lane, Bramhall, Cheshire where he worked as a Technical Salesman for Cinema Sound & Projection Equipment. He joined 969 Squadron of the Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserves and was killed on the 29th June 1944. aged 43. He has no known grave but is remembered on the Runnymede Memorial, Panel 202.

Leading AirCraftman John Winston Pearson was in the RAF. He was the son of Joseph Pearson, Dairy Farmer at Maesgwylod Farm, Asney Lane, Overton.

He died of pneumonia in Wrexham Hospital in 1941. He was 22 years old.

2nd Lieutenant Hugh William Jardene Ethelston Peel Service No 165075

He was the husband of Leila Mary Peel of Gredington, and the grandson of Major Hugh Peel of Bryn y Pys, Overton. He was in the Welsh Guards, in the 2nd Armoured Reconnaissance Battalion. He was killed in the Netherlands on 17th February 1945 and is buried in Uden War Cemetery, Grave 6.A.12 He was 24 years old.

Chief Wren Cecilly Monica Bruce Benjamin Service No WA/WRNS6965

She was the daughter of Edward Maurice & Elizabeth Margaret Dorothea Benjamin of Pendyffryn, Salop Road, Overton.

During the war she was based at H.M.S. President 11, a shore base for accounting purposes at Lower Regent Street, London. She was one of 22 members of W.R.N.S. (Womens Royal Naval Service) who had volunteered for cipher and wireless duties in Gibraltar. They embarked from Liverpool en route to Gibraltar on 12th August 1941 on board the S.S. "Aguila", Commodore ship of Convoy OG-71. Also on board were many servicemen, all naval personnel, taking the "Aguila's" complement to 161.

Consisting of 23 merchant ships and escorted by 6 Corvettes and 2 Destroyers the Convoy was attacked by German Submarines on 19th August, while off the South Western Coast of Ireland. Soon after midnight a torpedo hit the "Aguila" amidships sending her to the bottom in 90 seconds. There were only 16 survivors, leaving a death toll of 145.

Not one of the 22 Wrens survived. Before the convoy reached its destination, 8 of its merchant ships had been sunk together with 2 escort vessels with a loss of nearly 400 lives.

Cecilly died on 19th August 1941, she was 20 years old. She has no grave but is remembered on Plymouth Naval Memorial Panel 54, Column 3.

Cecilly and her fellow Wrens who lost their lives on the SS Aguila are still commemorated to this day by the RNLI - more about that in the next Oracle.



Overton Wildlife Group

When taking the permissible daily exercise it is a wonderful opportunity to notice all the wild flowers in the Overton hedgerows. Here are some to look out for.

Herb robert is a common flower found everywhere from hedgerows to car parks. *(right)* A relative of the geranium its pink flowers give way to a spiky seed pod.



The common dandelion is often enemy number one for gardeners, yet this stunning flower is an excellent source of pollen for bees and other insects, particularly because it blooms early in the year when not much else is available. *(left)*

Jack by the hedge or garlic mustard *(right)* is a distinctive wildflower with pale green scalloped leaves and white flowers. What makes it particularly easy to identify is the scent of garlic and mustard which its leaves give off when crushed. Historically its leaves were widely used for flavouring breads and making sauces.



Lesser stitchwort *(left)* is a wonderful wildflower, which can be found in hedgerows, woodlands and grassland. With its five-petalled flower, each petal then nearly divided nearly in two again, and slender grass-like leaves it's easy to identify.

Green alkanet is a distinctive looking plant, common in hedgerows. *(right)* With small blue flowers and bristly leaves and stems it's much nicer to look at than touch. Blooming through most of the summer it's especially beloved by bees.



Red campion *(left)* is a wonderfully colourful plant which is common in woodlands and hedgerows. The similar white campion is easy to separate by its colour. Folk tales tell of red campions guarding the bees honey, and they certainly are well visited by both these pollinators and butterflies.



At first glance **cow parsley** *(right)* can seem like an easily identifiable plant, tall with outstretched cluster of white blooms. However cow parsley is part of the umbellifer group who include many similar looking plants. A key feature is to look at the leaves, which are very distinctive. Cow parsley is common alongside roadsides, alongside hemlock & hogweed.

Adverts are not included in the on-line archived edition of the Oracle.

This is because the archive of the Oracle is available on-line going back many years and the adverts and contact details would be out of date.

More photos in May

14th May 1970 saw the formation of Overton Athletic Football Club, 50 years old this month.



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Overton Royal British Legion 120 Club



Results of the "120 Club" Bonus Draw for April 2020. 117 members entered and the draw was made at the Overton Scout Hut on Wed. 8th April 2020. Winning numbers were selected by the Random Number Generator.

Winners -

1st Prize £234.00 No 104 Nigel Williams
2nd Prize £117.00 No 94 Sue Burke
3rd Prize £ 58.50 No 63 Gerald O'Shaughnessy
Legion Fund: £175.50

CONGRATULATIONS

Next Draw: Wednesday May 13th 2020

A waiting list is available. If you wish to join please ring DAVE AUSTIN on 01978 710678.

Please Note: THE RBL "120 CLUB" DRAW WILL CONTINUE TO TAKE PLACE EACH MONTH DURING THE CORONAVIRUS CRISIS.

The Playcentre gave a box of goodies to our unsung heroes who are keeping the school and the wrap-around going for the children of our keyworker families!



Local Services that will help

M.E. Evans Butchers are pleased to offer a free delivery service to the Overton, Penley, Ellesmere, Bangor on Dee, Marchwiell and Wrexham areas.



Phone **01978 710342** or there's a click and collect option through our website - www.meevans.co.uk

Many thanks for your understanding and support in this difficult time, Mike, Nigel, Ben & The Team

Newspapers can be delivered to Overton by Ellesmere Newsagents (plus other groceries) Ring Irfan on 01691 622498 preferably in an afternoon when he's less busy.

Knolton Market Garden & Cheese Machine Open 24/7. A safe way to buy cheese, butter, eggs, seasonal fruit & vegetables.

Milk (and more) to your door from Edwards Dairy We have extended our delivery service to those who are in need and have been advised to stay in doors; we are able to deliver a wide variety of products to doorsteps within our delivery areas so please get in touch if you think we could be of assistance.

M. Edwards & Son of Edwards Dairy, Chirk
Tel: 01691 778266 or website www.edwardsdairies.co.uk

Rainbow Meals on Wheels (Monday to Friday)

Two course dinner and teatime pack

Tel: 01948 830730 to order.

Stans Superstore has a delivery service available within a 5 mile radius of the store. (yes that's Overton) Please ring **01691 772348**. T's & C's apply. or your order can be delivered by Overton volunteers. **See page 1.**

Home Farm Overton offers home delivery to local postcodes on selected days. As well as their usual produce - sausages, bacon, eggs, meat, pies, sausage rolls, cooked meats etc they can also offer daily staples such as milk, cheese, bread, potatoes and other vegetables and salad where available. Tel: 01978 710141

Lewis' Farm Shop are offering a delivery service to Eyton, Bangor-on-Dee, Overton, Cross Lanes to customers who are self isolating or concerned about contact with others. Contact 01978 780852, Facebook messages or email: hello@lewisfarmshop.com.

Pen Y Lan Pork Delivery Service. We are offering a door to door service, lots of sausage varieties, meatballs, and bacon (all can be frozen for 6 mths). Ring Mike on 07809 419348 or email mikeford01@googlemail.com. Orders received by Wednesday for delivery Friday/Saturday

Dustbin Days

Thursday May 7th *Garden Waste & Recycling / food*

Thursday May 14th *General Waste & Recycling / food*

Thursday May 21st *Garden Waste & Recycling / food*

Thursday May 28th *General Waste & Recycling / food*

These are correct at the time of going to press; but things may change. Household recycling centres are closed.

Family Announcements

Happy May Birthdays to William Clarke, Barbara Wynne, Grace Sidwell, David Evison, Jenny Bellis, Jade Lyndsey Hayward, Luke Haynes, Maddie Rouse, Eleanor McCusker, Aaron, Liu, Elis Perrin, Olivia Dodwell, Peter Grindley, John McCusker, Mrs J Dodwell, Janine Austin, Eileen Drysdale, Alice Murray, Chris Worthington, Clive Hellingman, Les Mouldsdale & Lynne Williams.

Happy Special Birthday to James Glover who is celebrating his 70th on May 29th.

Belated birthday wishes to Karen Whittaker for the 26th April.

Overton Community Council meetings

Clearly it is now more important than ever for local councils to be able to "meet" so that vital work can continue, and to allow the public to continue to make representations to their council if / as necessary. The May meeting (**12th May**) is also the AGM and will be held via Zoom conferencing. Should members of the public wish to "attend" please contact the Clerk to the Council (details below) for log in details.

We'll continue to send updates via Facebook and the Council's website but in the meantime, and from us all on Overton Community Council, we'd like to say a very big thank you to everyone for all they're doing to support one another during this really testing time.

Keep going, keep smiling and remember, we'll get through this **TOGETHER.**

**CONTACT DETAILS:**

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To contact the Chair call **07960 538089** or email ccopeman@overton-on-dee.co.uk

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