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If you have any contributions to the magazine, please send them to: credenhillcommunitynews@outlook.com

Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to all our readers!

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1/2 half	£15
Full page	£30
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Next Meeting

The press and members of the public are invited to the next Ordinary Parish Council Meeting to be held at Credenhill Community Hall on 15th December 2021 from 19:30

There is a 10 minute slot at the beginning and end of the meeting for public question time where members of the press and public can comment on agenda items, and raise any concerns about Local matters.



Thank You to Councillor John Beavan



John Beavan has stepped down after more than 3 decades of service as a Parish Councillor. John has been involved with so many projects in Credenhill that there would be too many to list here to do his public service justice. The Parish Council, on behalf of the whole Parish would like to pay tribute to John and thank him and his family for all of the work that he has done in the parish.

Parish Council Update

Vacancies

We now have 3 vacancies on the Parish Council, so please do get in touch with us if you would like to help out with some of the many planned projects we have going forward.

Grant Updates

We have the go ahead for the tree planting project on the Roman Park and have confirmation that a grant of £1400 will be paid towards this project from the Tree Council. Please come to the tree planting event on 4th December more details overleaf.

We are also looking for able bodied adult volunteers for Friday 3rd December to dig the holes; please get in touch if you are able to help.

£5000 has also been secured from the Active Green Spaces Fund through Herefordshire Council, this will be spent on outdoor Gym Equipment for the Roman Park, more details to follow.



2022-2023 Budget & Precept

The draft budget has been prepared and is available on the Parish Councils website. At the time of writing we are waiting for confirmation of the number of houses paying full council tax (known as the "Tax Base figure") from Herefordshire Council. Until we have this we are unable to confirm the final gross precept figure that will be requested from Herefordshire Council.

We can confirm the key objectives of the 2022-23 are as follows:

1. To give back the 3% increase that was added in error to each properties precept in 2021-22. (Due to a fall in the number of houses paying full council tax last year).
2. To keep the precept the same per property, therefore 0% increase this year.
3. To continue to deliver the same services as we have in 2021-22.
4. To enhance the War Memorial.
5. To continue to build up a reserve for the works required on the Culverts.
6. To update the Roman Park.
7. To continue to support local organisations through Grants.
8. To carry on with the Repairs and Maintenance schedule to bring our assets up to modern day standards.

Once we have the Tax Base for Credenhill we can then ensure that we deliver those objectives in the budget. If you have any questions or would like more information about the precept and how it is set by the Parish Council then please get in touch with us.

Please consider joining us to help us work on these objectives.



“Many hands make light work.”



4TH DECEMBER

Roman Park

Tree Planting

From 10:00am

We have 15 trees to plant and would like as many people as possible to come along and join in with planting the trees. Each tree will be dedicated to a young group in the village. The Trees have been funded by the Tree Council and will be record as part of the “Plant a Tree for the Queens Jubilee” national event and national tree week!

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The Vicar's Letter



Dear Friends,

The birth of Jesus marked so many things. It marked the end of 400 years of silence from God with the announcement of Jesus' birth by the angel to the select few. Yet Jesus came for everyone, we are all invited to call him friend and Saviour. It marked the fulfilment of so many prophecies throughout the Old Testament because God is faithful to his word and never reneges on his promises.

God is a God of miracles who is able to do more than we dare ask or imagine in any situation, and so Jesus' birth was the fruit of the immaculate conception and the arrival of Immanuel, Christ with us, fully God yet fully human. It marked a whole new way for humankind to relate to God, no longer corporately through a high priest and the sacrifice of animals, but individually through the sacrifice of Jesus our High Priest and the sacrifice of our heart. It marked the beginning of grace and mercy being made available to everyone of every colour and race, and it marked the one true way to God, through Christ the Son. The birth of Jesus means that we have somewhere to take our sins, somewhere where we can find forgiveness, freedom from guilt and shame, and an ability to forgive others who hurt us. The birth of Jesus means different things to different people in terms of how it impacts their lives but, for all of us through his faithfulness, his birth means that we may have life for all eternity.

And that's worth celebrating.

Trevor joins me in wishing you all every blessing for a Joyful Christmas and a Happy and prosperous New Year,

Rana



Church Warden's Report

From all at St. Mary's Church, Credenhill we wish you Season's Greetings and a Happy New Year. We expect you have all been busy with Christmas preparations and our church has been no different.



The church building is fully open, however, Covid regulations still apply. These guide lines are from the Church of England; plenty of hand washing, use of hand gel and wearing of masks, and being considerate of those who are vulnerable in our community.

It was with great excitement and joy that Messy Church was able to meet up in person for the Light Party on 30th October. It was well attended and enjoyed by all. As we write this letter, they are now planning their next event for Stir Up Sunday. On Saturday morning for adults and children an opportunity to make Christmas puddings and cakes and join in fellowship and fun.



On Remembrance Sunday we gathered at the War Memorial for a service of remembrance. We had a group of about 100. It was a excellent turn out from the youth groups of both Beavers/Cubs and the Scouts. Rana Lead the Act of Remembrance and Donna did the Address on the reading of the day. It was good to be gathered for an Act of Remembrance and to show our appreciation for those who gave their lives in WW1/WW2 and recent conflicts.

As it is Advent and the churches New Year, we are starting up the Readers and Flower Rota once again. We are looking for anyone interested in taking part. If you are interested in reading please approach Jamie or myself (Mike H) and we will forward your details on to the relevant person.

The flower rota will be on a board at the back of the church. If you have any special occasion in which you would like to do an arrangement or a simple vase of flowers, please put your name to the list on that special date.



Church Warden's Report continued over leaf...

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With Christmas approaching, we will be busy with all the usual services and activities. Looking forward to the Crib Services, Midnight and Christmas Day Services. This year with Boxing Day falling on a Sunday we will be able to celebrate St. Stephen's Day in church, this does not happen very often. With Covid restrictions being relaxed a little, we are going to be singing Christmas Carols outside the shops on Saturday 18th December at 5pm. Please do come along and join us for a fun start to the festival season and start your Christmas with a good sing.

Once again, we are offering you the chance to win one of four Christmas/Festive Hampers. If you would like to participate, please see the advert in the CCN.

We will finish with wishing you all a Happy New Church Year, Seasons Greetings and wishing our Lord Jesus a Happy Birthday, and to you all, good health, and a prosperous New Year.

Blessings,

Mike H and Jamie.



December Church Services

Sun 5th	11.00am	Holy Communion
Sun 12th	11.00am	Sunday Worship
Sat 18th	5.30pm	Credenhill Shops Carols in the Community
Sun 19th	11.00am	Sunday Worship
Fri 24th	6.00pm	Christmas Eve Crib Service
	11.30pm	Credenhill Midnight Communion
Christmas Day	10.00am	Credenhill Holy Communion
Boxing Day	10.00am	Credenhill Group Communion
January		
Every Sunday	11.00am	
Except 30th		
Kenchester Church	10.00am	Group Holy Communion

You are very welcome to join us every night at 7.00pm for Evening Prayers and watch Sunday Worship from St Mary's Church at 11.00am in on our Magnis Group Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/710895009243384/?ref=bookmarks>



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Up and coming events

Date	Event	Other Information
Every 2nd Saturday of the month	Open Mic Night	
31st December 2021	New Years Eve Disco	
Saturday 29th January 2022 Saturday 26th February 2022	Themed Disco	
Saturday 26th March 2022	Live Music Artigo Son	
Saturday 2nd April 2022	Pub-a-thon Stan Wardle Cup	

See the clubs notice boards for plenty more
exciting events to come.

Find us on Facebook



Credenhill Social & Sports Club

01432 760600



Up and coming events

Date	Event	Other Information
Saturday 16th April 2022	Easter Fayre & Egg Hunt	
Saturday 28th June 2022	Part Under the Bridge	
Thursday 2nd June 2022	Children's Jubilee Street Party	
Saturday 4th June 2022	Jubilee Street Party	
Saturday 30th July 2022	Family Fun Day	

Secretary: Sarah Miles 07581 031457



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Desmond Tutu

Reception Admissions 2022-23

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If so, you will need to apply for a school place by
15 January 2022 (to commence September 2022).

Applications can be completed from 13 September 2021
online at:

www.herefordshire.gov.uk/reception-class-admission

Reception Class 2022-23 – School Tours

We held 4 tours of the school on the 5th October for parents of children starting school in September 2022. If you were unable to attend but would like to come & visit our lovely school then please ring the Office on 01432 760408 to arrange a tour.



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School Business Manager: Claire Ross

Admin Assistant: Emma Milne

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

3 Dec 21
16 Dec 21
16 Dec 21
5 Jan 22

PTFA Meet the Reindeer Event
Christmas Carol Service
Autumn Term Ends
Spring Term Starts

REMEMBRANCE DAY 2021



Our Year 6 children delivered a poignant Remembrance Service on Armistice Day and made some beautiful poppy artwork. Everyone at St Mary's observed the 2 minute silence to remember the fallen in past and present conflicts.

We would like to thank Andrew Wood and the Herefordshire Community Recycle and Reuse Team for allowing us to look after Brummie the Remembrance Bull. The children and Ms Morton have worked hard to attach the final poppies of Remembrance to Brummie & we think he looks fabulous.



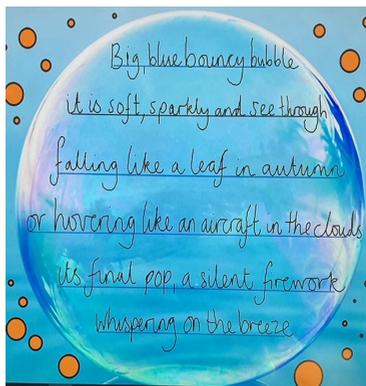
YEAR ONE

Year 1 have been busy painting their own "rock fish" based on the book "Only One You" by Linda Kranz, which the children have been studying in their English lessons.



YEAR THREE

This week the children have been looking at alliteration in their English lessons and have created a beautiful poem about





Credenhill Community Hall

Seasons Greetings to all our users!

What a year it has been for the Community Hall.

We thankfully reopened our doors and welcomed back our regular groups, minus one or two but we also welcomed some new groups to our daytime slots.

There is something for everyone, babies and pre-school children, crafters, scouting and performing arts. There are still spaces for more so if you are thinking of starting a new group in 2022 please get in touch. Two mornings still free and all afternoons. It would be lovely to see some fitness groups in the village. Maybe an occasional coffee morning or afternoon tea once our new kitchen facility is in place...

We hope to start a Community Hub in 2022, watch out for details here.

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Credenhill Community Hall

Day	Group	Leader	Contact Details
Monday 10.30am-11.30am	Messy Totz	Cally Childs	07854 004556
Monday 7.30 - 9pm	Young Explorers	Marcus Terry	07955 790580 marcusiant@aol.com
Tuesday 9.30am & 11am Term Time Only	Dinophonics (Booking Essential)	Abby Malcolm	07854 583077
Tuesday 6 - 7.15pm	Beavers	Bethany Norwood	07971 683203 mrsbn@hotmail.co.uk
Tuesday 7.30 - 10pm	Magna Performing Arts	Betty Morris	07954 081999
Wednesday	***		
Thursday 9.30am & 11am Term Time Only	Dinophonics (Booking Essential)	Abby Malcolm	07854 583077
Thursday 6 - 7.30pm	Cubs	Karen Jones	01432 760591 Kingslandcubscouts @googlemail.com
Thursday 7.30 - 9pm	Scouts	Marcus Terry	07955 790580 marcusiant@aol.com
Friday 10 - 12noon	Credenhill Nutty Crafters	Corrie Smissen	07789 401151
Friday 6.30 - 9pm	Magna/ Young Magna	Betty Morris	07954 081999
Sunday 2.30 - 5pm	Young Magna	Betty Morris	07954 081999

*** Third Wednesday in the month Credenhill Parish Council Meeting 6pm -10pm

CAN YOU SPOT A SCAM?

Have you been contacted out of the blue?

- Cold Calls or unexpected e-mails should raise suspicion, especially if personal/payment details are requested.
- Legitimate organisations/businesses will not normally contact you for sensitive details unexpectedly.
- If you are not certain about the contact's identity, hang up.

Are you being asked to provide personal details?

- Do not share personal/ sensitive details with a contact if you cannot confirm who they are.
- Phone Scammers may try get valuable details from you to steal money from you, or use your details for Identity Fraud.

Are the Contact Details vague or suspicious?

- Scam websites often have imprecise contact details such as Premium Rate "09" numbers, PO Box numbers, or use mobile numbers.
- Always look out for unusual email addresses on unsolicited emails.

Look out for spelling and grammatical errors in emails

- Messages full of spelling and grammar errors are usually indicative of a Scam message.
- Genuine Organisations/Businesses will rarely make such unprofessional errors .

Is an offer too good to be true?

- Scams usually offer big returns for small financial commitment.
- Beware of Scam Voucher offers from Retailers and Supermarkets, has it been sent from a genuine email address?

Are you being pressured to commit or sign up?

- Fraudsters will usually try to force a quick decision, do not be pressurised but say you need a break to consider the “offer”.
- Genuine Sales persons will normally give you time to make your mind up. Have you been offered a cooling off period on the deal?

IF YOU THINK YOU ARE BEING SCAMMED OR DO NOT RECOGNISE THE CONTACT

- **STOP:** Taking a moment to stop and think before parting with your money or information could keep you safe.
- **CHALLENGE:** Could it be fake? It’s okay to reject, refuse or ignore any requests. Only criminals will try to rush or panic you.
- **PROTECT:** Contact your bank immediately if you think you’ve fallen for a Scam, and report it to Action Fraud.

For further information visit:

<https://www.actionfraud.police.uk/>

<https://takefive-stopfraud.org.uk/>



NEIGHBOURHOOD MATTERS

St Mary's Church, Credenhill

Grand Christmas Hamper Draw

Following the success of last year's draw
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Christmas Day hamper
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Rev Rana, 8 Hillside View, Caroline Martin, 7 Meadow Drive
or Donna Jones, 5 Glebe Close by Saturday 18th December.



December in the Garden

As we approach the shortest day of the year in December you will need work to keep you warm outside, such as digging and tree pruning. Check your winter protection and if you have a greenhouse make sure the heater is working.

Hopefully there are not too many jobs left to do this year so you will have time for some fireside garden planning.

TOP 10 JOBS THIS MONTH

1. Check your winter protection structures are still securely in place.
2. Check that greenhouse heaters are working.
3. Insulate outdoor taps and prevent ponds from freezing.
4. Prune open-grown apples and pears (but not those trained against walls).
5. Prune acers, birches and vines before Christmas to avoid bleeding.
6. Harvest leeks, parsnips, winter cabbage, sprouts and remaining root crops.
7. Trees and shrubs can still be planted and transplanted.
8. Take hardwood cuttings.
9. Keep mice away from stored produce.
10. Reduce watering of houseplants.

For more information go to [RHS.org.uk](https://www.rhs.org.uk)

Credenhill Friendship Club

As we are reaching the end of 2021 I think we probably hoped for COVID to have abated! I know a few of you have had it and I am pleased to say you all recovered, Well done. It has been good to get together a couple of times during the year and we're looking forward to our Christmas Lunch on 2nd December at the Bay Horse.

I will be asking you for ideas for 2022 as speakers could possibly be more difficult to come by.

So, time to say hope you have a wonderful Christmas and New Year with plenty of cheer and a tippie of two! I know I will!!

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Credenhill Village Advent

9th, 10th & 11th December

There will be 24 windows decorated within the village

On your village map there will be 24 empty 'stars' which show the location of the advent windows.

Your family can walk through our wonderful village, following the map and finding the advent windows.

On the map you need to write the number that is on display in the advent window. Once you have completed the map and found all 24 numbered windows, drop your entry into the Christmas Advent box at the end of St Mary's Primary School drive to be entered into the prize draw.

Maps can be brought for £1.00 from St Mary's Primary school or Number 1 Dovecote Lane between 3rd - 11th December

This event is run by St Mary's Primary School PTFA, all proceeds will benefit our wonderful school.