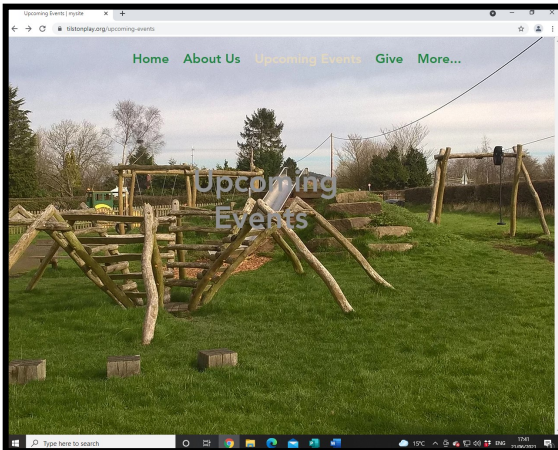


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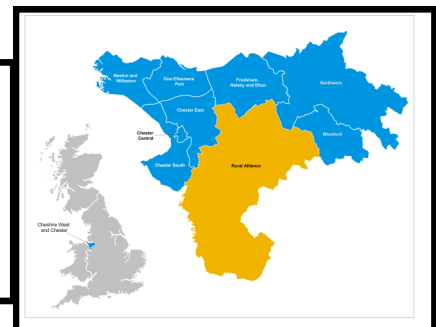
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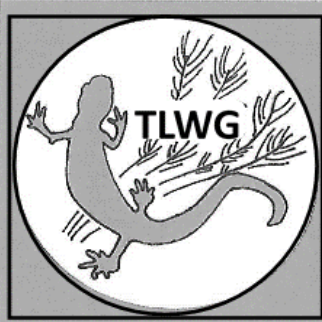
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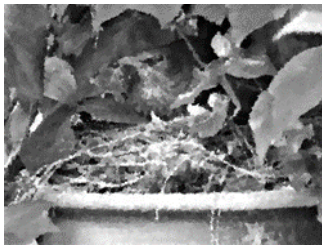
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Chris Squire

Fallen, rotting tree trunks by our stream are a haven for two baby robins, which fledged early but are doing well. A mallard and drake are quite at home by the stream. We stroll round the garden, listening and watching for nesting sites where birds go with beaks bulging with moths, twigs and feathers. Our log store has a blackbird nest just above a robin's. A mistle-thrush nests in our cherry tree, easily spotted by blue plastic swinging from it! Sparrows nest in the thorny pyracantha, blackbirds in a hydrangea and baby birds do well on the lawn daily. Particular favourites are two baby female blackbirds, relentlessly chasing their Dad for food but now finding their own worms. Three hares run amok across the fields. As they come close to the potting shed, they are a joy to see. I didn't realise they were so big.

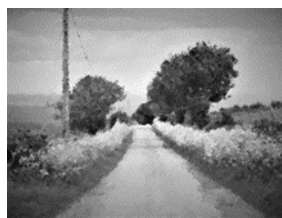


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*Please include pictures
if possible*



Lane with cow parsley

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News from St. Mary's, Tilston and St. Edith's, Shocklach – July 2021

For the first time in over a year, church services have started to return to what they were like before the Covid pandemic struck:

services in both churches on most Sundays,

at the pre-Covid times of 9.45 a.m. for St. Mary's and 11.15 a.m. for St. Edith's.

the exception is the first Sunday of the month, when there is a joint service (St. Edith's in July, St. Mary's in August) at 10.00 a.m., followed by a Zoom service at 11.30 a.m. (However, this will change in September, when there will be an All Age service in both churches on the first Sunday of the month.)

Please see the services and rotas page for full details.

We also intend to start a once-a-month Messy Church in both Church of England Schools, Tilston Parochial Primary and Shocklach Oviatt Primary, once the children return for the Autumn Term. Volunteers from the church, school or community in general who have an interest in helping with craft activities would be most welcome. Please email us on trtimrobinson@gmail.com if you would like to know more details. It is important we take church out of church into the community.

Although there are many people who are still reluctant to start socialising again, we are also hoping to be able to re-establish fellowship events. If you have any ideas as to what these events should be, and even feel you can help run them, please share your feelings with us when we visit in the coming weeks (or send us an email).

1 Peter 4: 10 'Each one should use whatever gift he/she has received to serve others, faithfully administering God's grace in its various forms.'

God gives us all unique gifts, woven into who we are – our passions, our talents, the things we love to do. He puts these together for a purpose. And, he has a very specific plan for us all. You'll find that God puts you into situations where you use your unique gifts.

God bless,

Tim and Norma Robinson



Services and Rotas – St. Mary’s, Tilston and St. Edith’s, Shocklach – July and early August 2021

Date	Time	Church	Service	Readings	Readers	Flower Guild St. Mary’s	Sides-people St. Mary’s
4 th July	10.00 11.30 Zoom	St. Edith’s (Joint Service)	Holy Communion	2 Corinthians 12: 2-10 Mark 6: 1-13	Jerry Mobbs (E)x2 Bob Evans (Z)	n.a.	n.a.
11 th July	9.45 11.15	St. Mary’s St. Edith’s	Holy Communion Holy Communion	2 Corinthians 4: 1-18 – ‘Jars of Clay’ Mark 6: 14-29	Helena Johnson (M) Fiona Johnson (M) Helen Peel (E)x2	Jill Farmer and Jo Huxtable	Penny Honeyborne
18 th July	9.45 11.15	St. Mary’s St. Edith’s	All Age Communion Morning Prayer	1 John 4: 1-21 – ‘Love Actually’ Mark 6: 30-34, 53-end	Liz Garnell (M) Adrian Donovan (M) Jerry Mobbs (E)x2	Lyn Lloyd and Helena Johnson	Stuart Walker
25 th July	9.45 11.15	St. Mary’s St. Edith’s	Holy Communion Holy Communion	Romans 3: 21-28 – ‘Faith, among other things’ Matthew 20: 20-28	Lizanne Reeves (M) Ian Munro (M) Helen Peel (E)x2	Janet Blake and Ann Houlbrooke	Robin Travis
1 st August	10.00 11.30 Zoom	St. Mary’s (Joint Service)	Holy Communion	Exodus 16: 2-4, 9-15 John 6:24-35	Kathie Ritchie (M) Neil Ritchie (M) Robin Travis (Z)	Lizanne Reeves and Norma Robinson	John Wright
1 st August	18.30	St. Edith’s	Rushbearing	Ecclesiastes 3: 1-8 Matthew 11: 28-30	Jerry Mobbs (E) Helen Peel (E)	n.a.	n.a.
M = St. Mary’s		E = St. Edith’s	Z = Zoom	x2 = both readings	St. Mary’s Prayer Rota see Viv Black		

Tilston Parish Council Report - June 2021

Hill Field

The development of Hill Field continues to be a priority for the Parish Council. The plans for the layout for the carpark area immediately behind the Hall are now drawn up and ready for the next stage of consultations with other outside bodies. Good progress is being made on the development of the rest of the field for all the local community to use and enjoy. Recently there has been a meeting on site with a representative of the Mersey Forest Scheme and local residents. Possibilities of planting a significant number of trees through the Mersey Forest Scheme, and other options involving not so many new trees but more open space were looked at. The most suitable options, which of course will have to take into account how the field is managed and what the maintenance costs will be, are being discussed in follow up meetings with the intention that a firm plan agreeable to residents of the village will be in hand to start implementing in the autumn.



Bins

CWAC recently held a public consultation regarding the future of bin collections. The Parish Council responded by pointing out that if the 'free' collection of green waste was withdrawn or reduced that could well lead to more trips to recycling centres, which would not be good for the environment as a whole, and fly-tipping. It would also mean that people with only a little garden waste would either have to pay the full annual amount or find another way of disposing of their small amount of green waste. However, despite efforts by our Ward Councillor Paul Roberts, CWAC have now decided that the Green garden waste bins will no longer be included in standard waste collection: there will be a charge of £40 for each green bin, which will be collected on a fortnightly basis from March though till November. The two recycling boxes will be replaced by wheelie bins, each the same size as the current black ones. These will be collected fortnightly rather than the present weekly collections. Food bins and black bin collection will remain unchanged.

Planning Appeal

The Stables, Duckington Lane The appeal against the refusal to grant planning permission for the conversion of the redundant equestrian building in the open countryside near the top of Duckington Lane/Hobb Hill to two residential buildings has been refused. The refusal is on the grounds that the character of the building would fail to reflect the rural characteristic of the area in a visually prominent location, and the building is not capable of such conversion without major reconstruction or significant loss of existing fabric. The Parish Council had opposed the grant of planning permission on both these grounds.

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Glamping Pods

The wet winter months have meant that it has taken longer than expected for the planning conditions regarding archeological investigations to be carried out, but these have now been fulfilled and progress can be made. The first part to be developed is the cafe and coffee roasterie, and if all goes to plan these will be open to some extent by Christmas

Parish Council Meetings

Government regulations now require that Parish Council meetings are held in person, so from now on meetings will once again be in the War Memorial Hall, and you will be very welcome.

For more information contact the Clerk to Tilston Parish Council Ann Wright, 62 Well Street, Malpas, Cheshire, SY14 8QH.(: 01948 861 035 E mail: clerk@tilstonparishcouncil.co.uk



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Local History Week

We thoroughly enjoyed learning about the history of Tilston and would like to say a big thank you to Reverend Jane, Mr Woodfine, Mrs Farmer and Mrs Edwin Scott for helping to make the week so informative and enjoyable. The children were fascinated by the old school log books, stories and personal experiences shared.

We are looking forward to celebrating our 150th birthday in January 2022 and continuing to explore our local history. We are hoping to have a wonderful celebration and hope you will be able to join us.

Alderford Residential Visit



We have always valued residential visits and this year we were delighted to work with Get Outside the Classroom who planned two fantastic days at Alderford Lake. The children enjoyed kayaking, canoeing, bushcraft, archery and climbing. The highlight of the trip was to see our children reconnecting with friends and having fun!

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Worship

A special thank you to Reverend Tim and Reverend Norma for coming to lead worship each week. Our value this half term is truth and truthfulness.



Tilston Village

We enjoyed a spot of gardening and are looking forward to seeing the array of flowers blossom throughout the summer.

We have many exciting events planned over the next few weeks and look forward to sharing them with you next month.

Best wishes

Kelsey Mort

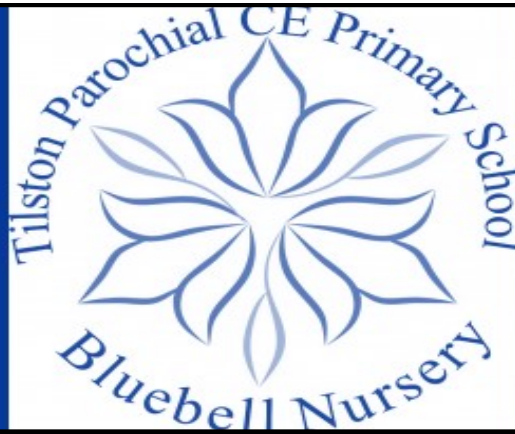
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It has been wonderful to be able to enjoy the sunshine and fully embrace our time in the outdoor classroom this month with a trip to the seaside. Due to the restrictions we have been unable to go to the actual beach so we brought the beach to us! Yes, we turned our outdoor classroom into a beach.



However, lots of rubbish had washed ashore and so we had to clean the beach first before it was safe to use. The children enjoyed taking on the role of beach warden and cleaning up the rubbish with the litter pickers before taking the plunge into the paddling pool and exploring the seaweed, rocks and crabs in the rock pool. Not to mention building sandcastles and playing with the beach balls. We had so much fun! The seaside is a wonderful environment and the children have been investigating the similarities and differences there are between the village of Tilston and the seaside.

They have also been talking about the importance of keeping our beaches clean. After picking up the litter we sorted it into recycled and non-recycled materials. We made posters to put around our beach area reminding everyone to put the rubbish in the bin.



If you are looking for a nursery place for September 2021 please contact Tilston school on 01829 250204 as soon as possible to book your place.



***We aim high in our hearts and minds as we blossom in God's garden.
Luke 1:37 For nothing is impossible with God***

Retirement

At the end of this term, our Executive Head, Mrs Kath Shephard, who has been leading both Shocklach and Tushingham Church of England Primary Schools, will retire. Mrs Shephard's endless positivity, energy, good humour and 'can do' attitude will be greatly missed along with her impressive financial skills and passion for sports particularly football tournaments where



she is often the most vocal supporter! Mrs Shephard has a love of school visits and residentials and in only the last few weeks, she has been to PGL with Tushingham and Kingswood with Shocklach. She is known for calming Year 6 with her bedtime stories, bringing Ted the bear and being the first to try out the more adventurous activities. Mrs Shephard will be greatly missed, and we would like to wish her and very happy retirement and well-deserved time with her family. Both school communities are very much looking forward to welcoming Mrs Cathy Davies, who will be our new Executive Head, from September.

Shocklach welcomes Bishop Mark Tan-

ner

It was a real privilege to welcome Bishop Mark to Shocklach for a very special outdoor worship recently. We explored the theme of creation, and our Eco Council proudly shared their current initiatives and work towards The Green Flag Award. Bishop Mark's warmth, kindness and humour were much appreciated by pupils and staff alike. We all breathed a sigh of relief when school dog Ronnie behaved so well for his blessing and indeed throughout the whole service! Unfortunately, morning rain prevented Bishop Mark from arriving on his motorbike, but he came armed with walking boots and enjoyed a tour of the school by our wonderful ambassadors, Cian and Izzy.



Pet Blessing Service

We were all delighted that the annual St Mary's and St Edith's Rogation Service at what is affectionately known as Tom's field, opposite school, could still take place this year. The usual array of dogs, tortoises, horses and chickens arrived with eager owners to receive blessings by Reverend Tim and Reverend Norma. It was lovely to see past and current Shocklach pupils along with their families and pets. The sun shone and Chris Gilbert led his team of musicians superbly - what a treat to have live music in these current times.



Visit to Adrefleyn Farm

Foxes Class enjoyed a wonderful day at Adrefelyn Farm in Penley- our first school trip since lockdown and excitement levels were through the roof! The children took part in several typical farming activities, including planting crops, looking after livestock and a shopping activity to highlight the connection between farming and food.

Bikeability

This term, Years 5 and 6 enjoyed Bikeability training and learning the invaluable skills of how to be safe on the roads. We have also held our very popular Wheels Day where we allow different classes to bring their favourite wheels and a helmet for playtime. It was great to see the children's safety knowledge being put into action!



Chester Football Club fundraiser for Stick n Step

Earlier in the month, the whole school had a fantastic day developing their football skills with players from Chester Football club. This event was planned by our very hard working and creative School Council. A wonderful £300 was raised for Stick n Step; this charity enables, inspires and supports children with cerebral palsy and their families.



Making the G7 Summit relevant

Shocklach pupils have enjoyed exploring the recent G7's policy agenda themes including Pandemic Recovery, Prosperity for all through Fair Trade, Climate Change, Shared Values as well as Exploring and Aspiring to Leadership. The children enjoyed discussing 'fast fashion' in light of Carrie Johnson's choice to rent her outfits for the summit. Pupils have also been inspired to bring in old jeans or denim jackets that are destined for landfills. These will be re-purposed and given a new lease of life. We have very much enjoyed making the summit relevant to our children's young lives.

We have lots of exciting events planned for the final few weeks of term including a visit to Alderford Lake, a KS2 production of Bugsy Malone, Sports Day and a visit from The Shropshire Hills Discovery Centre who will lead a pre historic workshop including activities such as spear throwing! Wishing you all a wonderful Summer.

The Sports Pages



Tilston Playing Field Association Sports Week, 2nd – 6th August, 10-12pm Sponsored by Wingett's Estate Agent



Children aged 5-11yrs old must all be signed in and out each day by a parent/carer. Children aged 3 & 4 must be accompanied by an adult. Organisers cannot take responsibility and reserve the right to ask parents to remove children who do not join in with the organised activities. Thank you for your co-operation.

This year we will be asking for a donation of £3/morning to cover expenses. Thanks to Wingett's sponsorship we can keep this to a minimal charge.

Due to COVID restrictions we are unable to provide drinks & fruit snacks. Please send the children with their own provisions or money to purchase cartons of juice, bottled water & wrapped snacks from our tuck shop. Any profits will go towards improvements to our field.

Each day there will be cycling on offer (see below,) all cyclists must have a suitable bike, helmet & footwear. No need to sign up for sessions, we will sort the children into groups on arrival. They may be able to cycle all morning or will share their time with other activities.

Learn to Ride Cycling	Likely activities but subject to change depending on attendees
Monday – beginners/non-riders of any age accompanied by an adult	Monday - Football, Cricket, Rounders, Frisbee and multi skills.
Tuesday/Wednesday – skills on & off the pump track for riders of all abilities	Tuesday – Basketball/netball, Football, Tag Rugby, Cricket, Multi skills
	Wednesday – Dance, Rounders, Frisbee, Cricket, Multi skills
Thursday – developing above skills & preparing for safe road riding	Thursday – Dance, Tag rugby, Football, Team building & Parachute games
Friday – opportunity for a family road ride to develop road safety skills depending on progress made during the week.	Friday – Mini sports day and small tournaments depending on the participants, with optional parental involvement.

All cycling sessions will be led by qualified Learn to Ride coaches assisted by young leaders.

All other activities will be led by a qualified dance teacher, sports leader or young coach.

There will be TPFA adults overseeing the mornings. Equipment will be cleaned at the end of each morning and sanitiser will be available, which children will be asked to use before participating. If your child is displaying any Covid-19 symptoms, they should not attend and must follow Government guidance. Please notify a TPFA adult of any medical issues we should be aware of.

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TILSTON PLAYING FIELD ASSOCIATION NEWS

GENEROUS GIFT OF LABOUR

If you've been up to the playing field lately you might have wondered what is going on. The swings and zip-wire are being updated to meet current safety standards. We owe massive thanks to **Matthew and Terry Honeyborne** for freely giving their time and expertise in preparing the runway and swing surfacing. The committee has ear-marked £2000 for materials, plant hire and a new zip-wire trolley which has been installed by **Ace Play**. At the time of writing we are hoping for some rain to help the grass seed to germinate.

ANTI-SOCIAL BEHAVIOUR

After eighteen months of no vandalism on the field, we have been disappointed by the mindless actions of a group of youths. On the evening of June 11th, there was evidence of alcohol consumption and the setting fire to several plastic bottles on the basketball area. The result has been some damage to the surface and the incident has been reported to the police. We ask all adults to be vigilant in helping to keep our village amenity safe and secure. If you see any such behaviour, please phone Cheshire police on 101.

PAVILION

Members of the committee have started work on the pavilion interior. It is intended to create a new multi-use toilet and baby-changing facility, and to convert the main space into a more usable and flexible area. We are aiming to create a coffee and cake hub which visitors to the playing field and pump track could enjoy, and to provide an income-stream for the facilities. We are very grateful to **Simon Kettle** of **SAK designs** for his generous commitment to giving his expertise and advice freely.

St Mary's Bell Ringers



It's been an exciting month for the Bellringers at St Mary's, we have restarted our practise nights on Thursdays, maintaining the requirements for Covid so only up to 6 ringers can be in attendance, but this has included some additional ringers from Tattenhall who kindly come and fill in for those who are missing, we do the same at Tattenhall when asked.

The last two weeks, we have been practicing some specific ringing on 4 bells and learning a few of the sequences (known as methods) to challenge our ringers, but we also have been working on getting our timing better (called Striking), if you listen on a Thursday night or Sunday morning, then we hope you will be able to notice! We also have introduced a few ringing challenges changing the sequence of the bells in larger "jumps", this helps with bell control, something we need to do having not done very much ringing for that past 15 months.

On Saturday 12th June, you may have noticed some extended ringing, this was a band of 6 ringers from Malpas, Chester Cathedral, and further afield, who got together to ring two full peals, the first in St Oswald's, Malpas in the morning and then after lunch at the Carden Arms, (excellent fish and chips I am led to believe!) they came to St Mary's to complete what was over 5 hours of ringing in total that day to celebrate the Queens official birthday.

For those of you who are not aware, a full peal consists of over 5000 changes, a change being a sequence of 6 bells. This is a feat that many can only aspire to as it takes considerable mental stamina to ring each of these from memory, crib sheets are not allowed!

We are delighted that some of St Mary's ringers that have taken a break for a few years are now returning to ring and it was great to see that even a break of 6 years for Nicky was no problem and she rang for the service on Sunday 13th.

There has been a lot of work carried out in the Belfry at St Mary's at the start of the year, all the frame for the bells has been stripped and painted and all the wheels have been restored to their original condition. A booklet outlining the work has been printed to raise money, these are available for a small donation for anyone who is interested from the Church, the Tower Captain, Jill Farmer (01829 250471) or any of the Bell Ringers

The extension to the lockdown was confirmed this week, but we are planning to arrange some open days or evenings after 19th July for anyone who wants to go up the tower and have a look at the belfry and then have a go at ringing a bell, we will put these in the Reporter when we have confirmed dates.

If you are interested in trying your hand at a new hobby (not sure it is a sport really Mr Editor, even though we have a captain!) whether you are 9 or 90, we are always happy to arrange a visit to the tower and let you have a go, we do have to comply with Covid regulations until we are released from the current lockdown, but getting in touch means we can make plans for your visit as soon as possible.

St Mary's Bell Ringers.



MALPAS SURGERY PATIENTS PARTICIPATION GROUP

PATIENTS MATTER

The Rural Alliance Primary Care Network (RAPCN) Primary

Care Networks (PCNs) were created as a key part of the NHS Long Term Plan in 2019 to bring GP practices together to work at scale and provide a wider range of services to patients. There are 9 PCNs across Cheshire, each covering a population of c30-50,000 patients.

Malpas Surgery works in partnership with 5 other rural practices which form the Rural Alliance PCN. These practices are Bunbury, Kelsall, Tarporley (Adey & Dancy), Tarporley (Campbell) and The Village Surgeries Group. This alliance, encompassing approximately 40,000 patients, aims to offer more personalised and co-ordinated health and social care to our local population by working collaboratively with other health, social care and voluntary sector services to tackle common issues and share knowledge and resources.

The RAPCN is governed by a Board led by the PCN clinical director Dr. Alistair Adey and chaired by Dr. Andy Campbell. Each practice has a seat on the board for their nominated practice clinician and all decisions are agreed and/or voted on by the group. The Board, which meets monthly also consists of the 6 Practice Managers and representatives from the wider health community. The PPGs are represented at these meetings by one of the 6 PPG Chairs in rotation.

A number of additional roles have already been created – with more to follow - to support our patients across the whole RA which include:-

The RA Social Prescribing Team – who can help people make positive changes in their lives to make them feel better. They give people time to talk about how they feel and work together to provide a solution; whether that's access to counselling, joining a community group, signposting for debt and money worries or even just providing a listening ear. These are:

Social Prescribing Link Workers – **Claire & Lindsay** – can help unpick non-medical issues that may affect health, wellbeing and low level mental health issues offering practical and emotional support to people over the age of 16.

Wellbeing Co-ordinators – **Amanda & Willow** - run by Primary Care Cheshire (GP Federation), and is specifically aimed at patients over the age of 18 who have one or more long term condition and have a social need.

Brightlife Co-ordinator – **Donna & Julie** work with local agencies from across the voluntary, public & private sectors to reduce loneliness and social isolation amongst the over 50s.

First Contact Physiotherapist – **Emma Perry & Ruth Court** – have advanced skills to enable them to assess, diagnose and recommend appropriate treatment or referral on a patient's first visit to the surgery. Clinical Pharmacists – newly recruited for Tarporley Adey, Tarporley Campbell, Malpas and VSG, the recruitment programme continues for Kelsall & Bunbury. The Pharmacists can assess, evaluate and advise on the appropriateness & effectiveness of patient's medication. If you think you could benefit from any of these services, please speak to any practice staff member who will be pleased to help you.

Malpas Surgery Patients Participation Group (PPG)

The Voice of Malpas Patients supporting Malpas Surgery

Forest & Clay - Hand-crafted Furniture and Pottery

New advertisers this month in the Tilston and Shocklach Reporter share their passion for the work they do. Check out also the Farndon Art Classes on page 22.

What do you make and how do you make it?

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How long have you been making?

We set up Forest & Clay over a year ago but we have both been creatively making for a while now.

What do you love most about what you do?

Anna: Pottery is so therapeutic, being on the wheel is definitely my favourite part of the making process. Opening a kiln after a glaze firing is also one of the best parts, pottery can be unpredictable sometimes but exciting and rewarding as well. Dan: The gluing process is the best part as you have all these separate components that are joined to make one piece. It is so rewarding taking the clamps off and really seeing the product take shape and the beauty of the raw wood.

What are your favourite things to make?

Anna: Probably mugs as I love attaching the handles part. I find fiddly work so much fun. Dan: The circular coffee table is my favourite design (currently) and product I like to make as routing the circle is so satisfying.

What does a general day in the life look like to you?

Anna: Everyday is different which is brilliant for me, so I could spend a whole day throwing on the wheel or I break my day up with trimming the half dry pots to neaten them up and prepare them if they need handles. Glazing is fairly time consuming as there a few stages where you have to wait around so in between there are a few studio jobs that are needed to be done like reclaiming my clay (recycling bits of waste clay into ready to use clay) or packaging up orders. Some days we will set up our new products to be photographed (I love this part as I studied photography as Uni). Dan: Usually I spend the morning designing and the afternoon in the workshop completing orders and testing new ideas. The days can be varied from producing something from our signature collection, wholesale orders or a bespoke client order.

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