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The last month of the summer term is always packed with events – the Area Sports Day, Summer Concert, trips to the Eden Project and Paignton Zoo, and the second Eden Playday at Cotehele are amongst the many activities lined up.

We have collected 3362 Tesco and 1405 Sainsbury vouchers which will be exchanged for new sports and playtime equipment – thank you to all who handed in vouchers.

On a slightly different note, the school has been experiencing problems with regard to its outside recycling and rubbish bins. These are not for public use - please do not use them for household waste – we have had loose food waste and nappies put in these bins which may cause a health issue and problems with regard to our collection contract.

As this will be the last newsletter before the end of term, we would like to thank everyone who has helped or supported the support over the past year – families, friends and parishioners, and we hope you are all able to enjoy some summer sunshine as much as the children will!

St Dominick Handbell Ringers

Once again the handbell ringers have had a busy year. We were delighted to be asked to perform at the evening concert of local talent organised for the Cornish Gorsedd held at Saltash, and most appropriately we played a medley of tunes from The Pirates of Penzance by Gilbert and Sullivan.

We attended the annual Music Festivals at Lamerton, Saltash and Truro, on each occasion performing with credit and winning certificates for both tunes and peals.

Prior to Christmas we were involved in a concert at the Eagle House, Launceston and despite the ice and snow played for the Carol service at Calstock Church.

Our most recent outings have been to Southway, Plymouth where the Brownie pack leader asked us to come along two weeks in succession to instruct the girls on the art of ringing. This led to the Brownies playing a couple of tunes for their parents to show how well they had done in such a short time and I think everyone enjoyed it.

Due to the support we have received over the past years, we hope to be able to purchase two or three refurbished bells to add to our collection and fundraising will continue at village events. Thanks to all who have generously contributed to our funds enabling us to play more varied and challenging musical pieces.

Calling children aged 8 and over to come and join our friendly Junior Handbell Ringing Team!



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There were no worries about the weather for this year's Sports Day - breezy and cool but dry!

The morning saw group activities, with the teams named the Cheetahs, Lightning Leopards, the Tigers, Disco Dinosaurs, Disco Dancing Dragons, Super Speedos and The Cornish Crocs – with Cheetahs, being the fastest animals, duly lived up to their reputation and won! The afternoon's "House" races resulted in a win for "Cotehele". Joint top Junior Boys were Alfred Hawkins and Richard Gregg, Junior Girls were Billie Vine and Joely Bytheway, and the Top Infants were Harry Hartley and Neve Hunn. Congratulations to all who took part and thanks to all families who gave their support.

The Family Service at St Dominic Church in June was helped by the presence of our class 2 and 3 teachers, Mrs Selman and Miss Clements, who helped our regular group of children with prayers and intercessions. A bonus was the delightful recorder playing by Joely Bytheway, Hannah Chapman and Daisy Channings, joined by Mrs Selman and Chair of Governors Mrs Lisa Chapman. The next School Service will be the Leavers' Service on 21st July, at 9.00am, to which everyone is welcome.

A special accolade has been given to our School Council, which has received a Silver PADL (Promoting Active Democracy Loudly!) award. The Council consists of elected pupil representatives from all classes, with a Chair being chosen and a pupil "secretary" to make notes of discussions and action points. To gain their award, the Council prepared a PowerPoint presentation which was delivered to a large audience in the Council Chamber at County Hall, Truro – most adults would quake at the thought of it! The whole school feels very proud of their achievement.

One of the PTA's most popular fund-raising events is the Annual Quiz, which is being held in the Parish Hall on 9th July from 7pm for a 7.30pm start. Teams of up to 6 people are invited, at a cost of £18 per table, which includes a bottle of wine and "nibbles", there will also be a licensed bar. Please contact the school (350581) or Sam (350226) – it's always great fun and not at all serious!

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EDITOR REQUIRED

Fancy being an Editor of the Parish News? A new Editor is required following Elizabeth Gill's decision to stand down after almost 8 years of doing the Parish News. Elizabeth started the News with Lynda Small, a previous Clerk to the Parish Council, back in the Autumn of 2002. She now feels that she has "done her bit" and that someone else might like to join the team - with Alan, Kevin and Joe. An editor needs to be computer literate, email savvy and familiar with word processing. With four editors the task is not too demanding - and the team meets at least twice a year at the Who'd to put the world to rights. If you are interested then please email ourparishnews@googlemail.com and one of our editors will contact you - or talk to Alan in the Post Office.

CALLINGTON FESTIVAL WEEK

This event, now in its second year, will take place between Sat 10th July and Sat 17th July. It starts with Gala Day and the Carnival itself on Sat 10th. During the week there are a variety of events to suit all tastes.

The Carnival, now in its 3rd year since a 15 year absence, will start at 4.30pm from the Saltash Road car park and follow a circular route through the town. Look out for the leaflets and programmes which should come through your letter box soon.

How about entering the Carnival??. There must be lots of talent in St Dominic to man a float or provide a group of walkers. For entry details, go to www.freewebs.com/callingtoncarnival or get an entry form from Kivells in Fore Street.

We would love to see you there.

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Withdrawal of the Elgar £20 Note - 30 June 2010

By the time you read this the Bank of England will have withdrawn the older style £20 notes that show a portrait of Sir Edward Elgar.

For several months after the end of June most banks, building societies and **Post Offices** will accept the Elgar £20 notes for deposit to customer accounts and for other customer transactions. However, agreeing to exchange notes is at the discretion of the individual institution.

Genuine Bank of England notes that have been withdrawn from circulation retain their face value for all time and can be exchanged at the Bank of England in London.
<http://www.bankofengland.co.uk/banknotes/twentyv/index.htm>

St.Dominick Neighbourhood Watch

There were three incidences of crime reported since my last report in April. A stone Planter was stolen from the Post Office in May, also some Ornamental clipped plants (Topiary) from a few doors up from the Post Office, and the other side of the village a shed has been broken into and items stolen.

Also there have been a couple of reports of drivers exceeding the speed limit in Baber Lane and Church View area. There are a high proportion of children in this area, and at school times this is a particular problem. I appeal to these drivers to please keep their speed down, even 30mph is too fast on blind bends where there is only room for one vehicle to pass at a time and no pavement for the children to walk on in safety. Some of these drivers are themselves parents, so *please*; think of the children and the mature people who cannot move so quickly to get out of the way.

We are at the moment looking for a new co-ordinator for the East Burraton area to cover just six properties. The previous couple who ran this patch have moved house, so if you feel you could help us, it only requires a commitment of two meetings a year and a few hours of your time to help your community remain secure and crime free.

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The Tuesday Club

Chrissie Cross took the Chair for the June meeting and welcomed everyone. Due to holidays, illness and builders, we were depleted numbers. Chrissie won the raffle.

Our afternoon's entertainment were Galaxy with a theme of places. A range of songs were beautifully sung mentioning places as far apart as Killarney and Argentina, Scotland and Dakota. All things bright and beautiful took on a new meaning as the ladies changed the words about looking for a man to share their lives with. Eleanor read a poem she had written about packing and the problems of going on holiday. Isabelle, in spite of suffering with a very heavy cold, told us very funny jokes and stories from Ireland, Australia and the U.S.A. Chrissie thanked Louise and Galaxy for a very pleasant afternoon.

The afternoon ended with tea and biscuits and gossip.

Next month's talk will be given by Dartmoor Rescue and will be on Tuesday 6th July.

Advertising in future publications

½ page £10.00, ¼ page £5.00, ¼ < £7.50 < ½, ⅛ page £2.50 Line advert (max 25 words) £1.00.

One-off events in the Parish that are of interest to the community – usually free.

Cheques payable to St Dominick Parish Council

Parish Council Report June 2010

A Roving Reporter's View

This was the first meeting with the new Chairperson, Diana Greene, in charge. There was no Jim Flashman (County Councillor) no Roving Reporter, nor Bob (PCSO). One member of the public attended.

At the moment the Public Session is at the end of the meeting; in the future it is to be brought forward so that people don't have to sit right through everything waiting for their turn. Some other councils do this. It is not always successful because some public argue for so long the council business doesn't get done. If any of you have a question it would be a good idea to ring the Chairperson first, so they can be prepared. However, they must think St Dominic public are controllable, and anyway they can always revert!

The electric cables across Lovell's Park are still a concern. They were due to be moved two years ago by the Electric People who do the lines etc. (Not SWEB apparently, didn't life used to be simple?!!) The EP applied and were granted planning permission but vanished, and they (or their replacements) say (verbally) they will review it within six months.

Sita have awarded the parish council £25,000 for future projects in Lovell's Park. A BMX track will be discussed at next month's meeting. The cost of maintenance is still a concern to some councillors. The lay by opposite the Post Office is still proceeding. Grant funding might be available, but for how much longer??

A letter is to be sent to all councillors reminding them of their duty to attend the meetings. Some miss several.

Finally someone has been exercising his or her dog regularly in the park behind the football hut. When I say exercising, I don't think there has been much running involved. Children play here and no dogs are allowed. There are plenty of dog walks around in the woods and this sort of thing gives dog owners a bad name.

The next meeting, all welcome, is on July 7th at 7.30 in the Parish Hall.

Summer Fun Days

With this newsletter you should receive a "flyer". I think this will tell you about the community fun days the parish council have organised for those of you with children in co operation with The Eden Project and the National Trust, and funded by Cornwall Council's Pathfinder Project.

Basically the 5th and 7th August will be raft building and use at Cotehele Quay and mill. 23rd October will be a Questing event with Eden Play, again at Cotehele.

For those of you not involved with these things please could you join in on **Sunday 22nd August** for the official opening of Lovell's Park play area.

There is an old person's (veteran's) football match being played between St Dominic and Calstock, also a Mum's vs Children, while the football club will be selling delicious food from their barbecue.

Den building is being arranged, a water challenge, and hopefully stalls and a raffle.

The parish hall will be open. Anyone who would like to have a stall, (table) organisations or individual, to promote their organisation, or raise a bit of money please ring 01579 350776 by 15th August, Lorna Potter, to discuss. These will be free of charge.

It would be nice to see plenty of people from the community taking part as Richard and Keith have put a lot of work and effort into this project for the benefit of residents.

So, see you on 22nd August, look out for the posters.