

# THE DRAGON

April 2023



Welcome to your monthly round up of news/events in Ogbourne St George.

## **Celebrating the Coronation**

Even though we have Easter just around the corner, our thoughts naturally turn to an event that most of us have never witnessed, and that is the Coronation of King Charles III on Saturday 6 May. Dust off your Union Flags, don your red, white and blue, and take the opportunity to get together with your OSG friends and residents as our village marks this royal occasion with the following events:

### **Fri 5 May: The Inn With The Well - Coronation Eve - Dress like a Royal Competition.**

Any era, any nationality. See over for more details.

Sun 7 May: Jubilee Garden - Coronation Bench Unveiling: the Parish Council has invested in a Community bench with a memorial plaque commemorating the occasion, and this will be placed in the Jubilee Garden for all of us to enjoy. It will be 'unveiled' at 12pm, and all villagers are welcome to come along.

The Inn With The Well will open at midday for villagers to continue the celebrations.

### **Sun 7 May: 12-4pm Ogbourne Primary School – S&A Crafters Market present a Coronation Family Fun Day.**

Over 30 local business & crafters will be at the School selling their local treats and goodies. There'll be something for everyone from craft stalls selling wax melts, woodwork and resin, to plant stalls, and for those of you with a sweet tooth, pic'n'mix. Activities include face painting and a bouncy castle, and if you're feeling competitive, take part in the Royal Fancy Dress and Colouring competitions. To keep you refreshed and hydrated there'll be a bar, stone baked pizza (by Soleluna Pizza), a BBQ, plus lots more. Come and get together to celebrate the Coronation of our King. Entry is free.

## **Parish Council News**

### **Meet your Parish Councillors in the Pub:**

Following the success of last year's event, your Parish Councillors will be in the Inn With the Well on Wed 19 April from 7pm for you to come along and chat to them about anything connected to our village. They would love to see as many of you as they can, so pop in and meet them over a drink.

### **Bus Shelter on the A346:**

The Parish Council (PC) has received a number of complaints about the inappropriate usage of the bus shelter heading north on the A346. It takes these very seriously. As a result, it is considering demolishing the existing structure and replacing it with something that will reduce the likelihood of anti-social usage. No decisions have been taken yet, but the PC is well aware of the unhappiness of users of this bus shelter and is determined to improve it. So, if this affects you, then your PC wants to hear from you, about what impact such a change would have on you. Either come along on 19 April and tell them in person or write to the Parish Clerk on [parishclerk@ogbournestgeorge.org.uk](mailto:parishclerk@ogbournestgeorge.org.uk)

### **Reporting Road Issues in Wiltshire:**

The MyWilts App is an easy way to report problems on our roads to Wiltshire Council, such as potholes, fallen signposts, missing white lines, abandoned vehicles, dog fouling, fly tipping, graffiti, faulty streetlights and many more issues. You can attach photographs and videos to provide additional information and pinpoint exact locations. The more people use it, the better, and perhaps those perennial pothole problems on the A346 will be fixed once and for all! Either download the app or access the service here: [www.wiltshire.gov.uk/mywilts-online-reporting](http://www.wiltshire.gov.uk/mywilts-online-reporting).

### **Slow Down in our Village Stickers:**

We have a few of these left, and they will be available to collect from the PCs in the Pub event above.

### **Thank you from the PC to:**

The team of volunteer painters who have done a great job improving the area under the bridge as you come into the village.

## **Next Parish Council Meeting:**

The next Parish Council meeting will take place in the Village Hall at 7pm on Thursday 11 May. It will be preceded by the Annual Parish Meeting which will take place at 6pm, and at which all registered electors of the Parish may speak.

## **The Inn With the Well News**

Call 01672 841445 to book for any of these upcoming events:

### **APRIL**

- Good Friday 7 April – Pizza Night returns every Friday from 5.30-8.30pm (except 26 May) until the end of September.
- Easter Sunday 9 April - Lunch at 1pm – bookings only. Followed by Easter Quiz at 3pm. Entry £5 per person. All proceeds going to The Prospect.
- Sat 15 - Sun 16 April – Closed
- Mon 17 April – Open 7 days a week until September
- Wed 19 Apr – 7pm - Parish Councillors in the Pub
- Fri 28 Apr – 8pm - Back 2 School Quiz Night, in aid of Ogbourne Primary School. Complimentary nibbles at half time. Entry £5 per person. Teams of 6.

### **MAY**

- Fri 5 May – Coronation Eve. Dress like a Royal from any era, and of any nationality. Let your imagination go wild. Prize for best Queen!
- Sat 13 May – Eurovision Night on the Big Screen
- Wed 24 May – Thu 1 June: Closed. Reopening Friday 2 June

Please check [www.theinnwiththewell.co.uk](http://www.theinnwiththewell.co.uk) for latest information

## **Lambourn Dog Show**

Lambourn Riding for the Disabled (RDA) are holding a family dog show as part of the Lambourn Open day on 7 April in Lambourn. Racing Stables open from 9am, show starts 1pm and dog show from 1.30pm.

## **The 100 Club**

Congratulations to the March winner, E Merritt and runner up, C Lawson.

## **April Church Services**

Reverend Roger Powell extends a seasonal spring welcome to you at:

- 2 April, Palm Sunday, 10.00am, Palm Sunday Service
- 6 April, Maundy Thursday, 7.30pm, Parish Communion in Chiseldon
- 7 April, Good Friday, 2.00pm, Good Friday Service, Ogbourne St Andrew
- 9 April, Easter Day, 9.30am, Parish Communion
- 16 April, Easter 2, 10.30am Zoom Service
- 23 April, St George's Day, 4.00pm, St George's Day Service
- 30 April, Easter 4, 10.00am, Benefice Communion

## **Little Dragons News**

The children at Little Dragons' have been busy as usual! We have enjoyed playing with sand, water, pots, spades and diggers in the garden. Some of our older children are showing an interest in writing and wrote their names beautifully in their Mother's Day cards. All the children chose lovely colours and shapes to stick on their cards and were excited to take them home. We have enjoyed visits to Ogbourne Primary school for singing and stories. We have also enjoyed visits from Father Roger - playing hide and seek with him - and weekly visits from Mrs C who reads to us every Thursday.

We are looking forward to some warm spring days next term and would like to wish you all a very Happy Easter.

## **Spring Church Maintenance Morning**

Thank you to all the helpers who turned up for this event in March. The team were very lucky with the weather which allowed them to get lots done outside. A Summer clean-up is planned for early June.

## **Village Jumble Sale**

Our Village Jumble Sale raised over £900, and the organisers would like to thank all those who donated items, came along on the day to support and those volunteers who helped make the event the success it was.

## **Contact the Dragon**

To include your Village news in The Dragon and/or to receive a copy by email, please write to the Editor, Claire Heald, on [osgdragon22@gmail.com](mailto:osgdragon22@gmail.com)