Community News



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Party On...

Summer is finally making an appearance and in Childs Ercall that means one thing...



Party in the Park!

The major summer event in the village calendar is fast approaching. Party in the Park 2024 will take place on Saturday 6th July from 4pm, and this year entry is free!!

Burgers, bangers, a licensed bar will provide refreshment as you boogie along to a backdrop of sounds from local band, 'Road to Ruin'.

Last year's event was a great success, despite the terrible weather, which gave rise to a new sport of gazebo flying, as many took off across the field with the sudden gusts of wind!



We are hoping for much better weather this year, and after all the rain we have had so far, we must be about due for some sunshine.

So come along to the Jubilee Park and support your local Community Association, who work so hard to bring a variety of fantastic events to our village.

But most imprtantly ... have some fun!

In and around...

No need for speed.



There have been some complaints via social media lately about vehicles speeding through the village and instances of inconsiderate, and at times even dangerous, driving.

This may be people who live in the village, but they could also be commuters speeding through.



There have, unfortunately, been a couple of near misses involving horses and riders, with speeding vehicles not taking into account our narrow country roads and the traffic that they are likely to encounter. Please slow down when approaching blind bends and be sure to keep a reasonable distance and speed when approaching or passing horses. In an effort to keep everyone safe, the Parish Council will be engaging with PCSO Tara Caruthers to monitor the situation at various points around the village, From there we can decide what and where to

deploy any traffic calming measures.

Best Kept Village?

Our village has been anonymously entered for Shropshire's 'Best Kept Village and Community Competition'.

Are you proud of our Village? You should be.

Don't be misled (as I confess, I initially was), into thinking that this is all about the aesthetics of a few well placed hanging baskets and neatly kept gardens. It's much more than that.

The emphasis is mainly on 'community', and this is where I feel we can be a strong contender. It's about shining a light on our village and how our shared and varied interests and activities bring us together as a community.

As a small rural village, I am always amazed at how we have so much going on, thanks to the collective efforts of The Club, The Community Association, The Church and the Parish Council and this is our opportunity to showcase why it's great to live in Childs Ercall.

You only have to look at the events calendar on the Community Website to see that there is something for everyone from Coffee Mornings and Quiz Nights, to Tribute Bands and Wine Tasting. We also have fantastic annual outdoor events like Party In The Park and the Horse and Dog Show offering everything from a burger and a boogie to showcasing the best of our equine and canine entrants in a bit of healthy competition.



Okay, so we need a bit of a tidy up along the pathways and verges, but if we continue with the efforts of the volunteers taking part in the Big Village Tidy Up, we can soon get everything ship shape.

I am sure that by the time this newsletter goes to print, that there will be visible improvements as a result of the tidy up on 29th June.

When we have such active and inclusive organisations, continually working hard in our neighbourhood, I am sure that a few weedy paths will not overshadow their fantastic achievements in bringing us all together as a community.

Have Your Say

The next Parish Council meeting will be at the Jubilee Hall on August 21st at 7.00pm. All are welcome to attend.

An on-line version of this newsletter can be found on the website.

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