

# **Colehill Community Library**

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#### A word from the Chair of Trustees

At last Spring is here, and to make it official, we have heard the cuckoo is calling in the woods! The lovely library gardens have been very colourful with daffodils, bluebells and primroses this year, and we want to maintain the wildlife garden "natural look", so we are not making it too manicured, although yesterday the grassy bits had a haircut from Clive's strimmer! Watch out for the Bug and Bee Hotel which will be coming soon.

We are keen to "do our bit" to improve the environment, so we are going to plant some pollution absorbing shrubs in the garden, on the side where cars wait to go through the chicanes.

Our community library has a light and airy feel inside, but the large windows are not eco-friendly by nature. The big areas of glass mean that we lose lots of heat in the winter, and the sunshine makes the library hot in the summer! Our lease arrangement with Dorset specifies that we cannot change the actual structure of the library. Instead, we hope to be able to change the glass so that we retain heat, and reduce the amount of energy that we use. This will make us more environmentally friendly, but of course, to replace the glass will cost quite a lot of money!!

The Trustees have decided that this project should be the main focus of our fundraising for the next year or two. Watch out for notices which will be appearing around Colehill, and please do support our fundraising events!

## Colehill Open Gardens



### Saturday June 25th 10am to 4pm

A small number of gardens will be open to the public. Tea and refreshments will be available and Colehill library will be holding a book sale outside the library. A very enjoyable day – more details to follow, check our website. We also need to recruit more Trustees for our charity, "Colehill Community Library Ltd" and we are particularly keen to bring someone on board who has experience of applying for Fundraising grants, and who will work with our Fundraising Events Manager and her team. If you are interested in helping our lovely library and are keen to join our Trustee team, please contact me for more details!

Current Trustee team (and responsibilities):

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Susan Cowsill	Chair of Trustees
Mary Redman	Treasurer
Jennifer Holman	Secretary
Ken Redman	Buildings and Maintenance

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Enjoy your summer and I hope to see some of you at our events. Or just say hello if you see me gardening in the library grounds!

Best wishes, Susan Cowsill, librarytrusteesjc@gmail.com Chair of Trustees, Colehill Community Library.



#### **COPY DATE for next issue: 24th June**

#### Jubilee

We are pleased that we will be reintroducing our children's picture quizzes starting with a Jubilee-themed one at half-term.



'The Big Jubilee Read' is launched to coincide with Her Majesty The Queen's Platinum Jubilee. The full list can be found at bbc.co.uk/arts and in the Library.

The 70 titles consist of 10 books from each decade of Her Majesty The Queen's reign, offering a brilliant selection of beautiful and thrilling writing produced by authors from a wide range of Commonwealth countries such as Australia, Canada, Guyana, India, Jamaica, Malaysia, Nigeria, Pakistan, Sierra Leone, South Africa, Trinidad and Tobago, and the United Kingdom.

#### **Opening Hours**

The library is now open:

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Monday	2.00 - 5.00
Tuesday	9.30 - 12.00
Thursday	2.00 - 5.00
Friday	2.00 - 5.00
Saturday	10.00 - 12.00

The Library will be closed for Jubilee Bank Holidays on Thursday 2nd and Friday 3rd June.

#### **Rhyme Time**

It is so good to have our smaller borrowers (and their big people) back in the library again.



We look forward to seeing you every Tuesday 10 - 10.30am in term time. You are very welcome to stay on longer to choose, read and borrow books and we promise that you do not need to worry about being too noisy. The days of the library staff with their finger to their lips has long gone at Colehill.

#### Library membership is open to even the youngest of us. Remember that as long as children's books are borrowed on a children's membership card there will be no overdue charges and up to twenty books may be borrowed at a time. However, just one is fine!!

#### **Home Library Service**

For those of you unable to visit your local library because of illness, disability, self-isolation, or because you are a carer, volunteers from the Royal Voluntary Service can deliver books or audiobooks to your home every 3 weeks.

If you are interested in using this service or know of someone who might be eligible to use it, please pick up a leaflet from Colehill Library, or contact Wimborne Library on 01202 882770 and ask for the Home Library Service. (Most Dorset libraries offer this service). An RVS volunteer will then contact you to discuss your reading interests, and organise the deliveries. There is no charge for this service. *Jennifer Holman, Local Home Library Service Coordinator.* 

Ferndown Watch Community Office Security Products

Products available do change - please check before visiting - the latest list is on :

www.ferndowncommunityoffice.org

The Ferndown Watch Community Office Pennys Walk, Ferndown BH22 9TH (now located next to the Day Centre/Coach Tours)

> Usually open **Monday – Friday** from 10.00 until 12.00

\* NEW PHONE NUMBER 01202 894242 \* ferndowncommunityoffice@btconnect.com

#### Let's Talk Libraries

The analysis reports of the three phase one Let's Talk Libraries surveys have now been released. A summary report is also available which draws on all the engagement activity undertaken during phase one consultation to inform the new library strategy. The report includes four areas of focus which the draft strategy will take into account.

The consultation reports are now published on Dorset Council's web pages (search for LetsTalkLibraries at www. dorsetcouncil.gov.uk) and in Colehill Community Library for reference.

#### Summer Reading Challenge 2022

Amazingly, it is not many weeks to the start of this year's Summer Reading Challenge which, as always, is run nationally by the Reading Agency in partnership with public libraries. It will be possible to sign up at Colehill at the beginning of July. As usual, a certificate and a medal are on offer for six books read but the important thing is to just pop in to the library and borrow any book you fancy.

The theme this year is science based and will have input from the Science Museum. Join the "Gadgeteers" to discover the amazing science and innovation behind the world around you, including some of your favourite things. Keep a look out for more information.

#### IT One to One

Jeff is back to help with all those IT queries on Tuesday mornings.

Phone or email or drop into the library to book a free half hour slot. (Donations are never refused!)