

# **Colehill Community Library**

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#### A word from the Chair of Trustees

Happy New Year! Christmas seems such a long time ago, doesn't it? We had a beautiful Christmas tree again and the lights looked lovely when they were lit. Thank you to Ken and his team!

2023 so far has been wintery in Colehill! Although we haven't seen lots of snow, it has been very cold and sometimes very wet, and when we have clear blue sky isn't it a tonic for us all? It is lovely to think that the days are slowly getting longer and Spring is on its way! The daffodils and crocus are beginning to come up all over the Library grounds. I have planted some more daffodil bulbs on the Cannon Hill Road side on the corner of the grounds where the grass is growing so if you could be careful of any new growth wherever you walk in the grounds, we would be grateful.

We are excited that it is the Community Library's 10th birthday and we are so proud that we have been able to continue and have come so far in 10 years! It is all down to our wonderful volunteers.

The King's Coronation is taking place in early May, and we are working with Colehill Parish Council to ensure that the Coronation weekend goes well and that events that are held in Colehill are as inclusive as possible for local residents. It should be a super weekend.

We are still looking to recruit one or two more Trustees for Colehill Community Library Ltd so that we can ensure that the Library can operate into the future. We are looking for somebody local who knows the Library and who has some time to be involved as either a Deputy Chair, progressing to Chair when I step down, or as Deputy Treasurer, to take over when the Treasurer retires. If you are interested in either of these roles, or know somebody who might be interested, please contact me for more details!

I hope to see you at one of our events soon. Stay safe and warm! *Susan Cowsill*, librarytrusteesjc@gmail.com *Chair of Trustees, Colehill Community Library.* 

# **Home Library Service**

If you are unable to visit the library because of ill health or mobility problems, or because you are a carer, you can arrange for books to be delivered to you every three weeks by volunteers from the Royal Voluntary Service.

Ask at your local library, or pick up a leaflet from Colehill Community Library.

# Easter Closing

Good Friday, 7th April to Monday, 10th April inclusive.



#### Supporters' Subscriptions requested

Subscriptions are an excellent way of contributing a small additional income to the library, over and above the basic running costs that are kindly covered by the grant that we receive from Colehill Parish Council. If you would like to renew or start a subscription, Single £5 or Family £8 p.a. (either as a one-off donation, or as a regular Standing Order), please pick up the Supporters' **Membership Application/Renewal form** from the library, or find it on our 'Supporters' web page (see website in the header). *There is also a form there for other donations!* (*NB the Dorset Libraries donation box is only for things like reservation fees*).

#### Deans Court Wimborne, by Jan Seal

Available in Colehill Library at £14.99 (by the desk, but please note cash only as no card reader is available), also at Deans Court Squash Court café, and Gullivers Bookshop.



# 10th Birthday Coffee Morning & Book Sale

Coffee & cake, honey, music trio, finger puppets, raffle, card sales for Sudan

Saturday 18th February 10 – noon in Colehill Village Hall

See the News page at www.colehill.gov.uk/colehill-community-library for details of the next issue



# **Book about the Great Western Railway**

If you borrowed Dave's book about the history of the Great Western Railway (Company Servants / Horse Power) please leave it in the library 'fao Dave Campbell'. Thank you!

#### Calling all Knitters... & those who crochet!

We were overwhelmed at the library by the response to the appeal for knitted poppies. Our customers and others who saw the lovely display outside were very complimentary.



Several people have asked if we would consider another display at a different time of year. We have decided that chicks and rabbits would be an appropriate celebration of Easter.

There will be patterns available at the library over the coming weeks but do feel free to use any favourites.

If contributions could be ready for Friday April 1st, we will have time to put them up by Good Friday. Many thanks.

# **Family History**

The family history website, Ancestry UK, is available on the Public Network Computers at the Library.



Dave Campbell is available on most Saturday mornings to offer help and

advice on starting your Family Tree or breaking through that "brick wall". Contact him through the library to arrange an appointment for a Thursday morning.

You may also be interested in the following:-

# Family/House History Workshop at the Museum of East Dorset

# Saturday 18 March 2023, 1pm – 4pm, £5 per person museumofeastdorset.co.uk

Family history is fascinating and increasingly popular, and thanks to the many records available, it's a thought-provoking and enjoyable hobby.

With knowledgeable support and advice from local members of the Somerset & Dorset Family History Society, you can expand the historic details of your own family.

This follow-up workshop will quickly recap the previous session for any newcomers. Then look at various research possibilities, specific to the group's needs; including directories, occupations, maps, photographs etc. We will look at ways of recording your research.

The latter part of the workshop will look at breaking down obstacles in participants' own family research, with individual help.

Please bring along your own research and laptop or tablet. Guest Wi-Fi will be available.

# **Our local Police**



We are delighted that our local Police Officers, Sgt Steve Payne and PCSO Nikki Sykes will be joining our 10th Birthday celebrations from around 11am at Colehill Village Hall on Saturday 18th February.

#### **Community Contact Points:**

They are looking forward to this heralding regular visits to the Library on Saturday mornings, giving us all the chance to discuss any problems and just get to know about the support they provide.

Look out for up and coming dates on Facebook and our website and theirs www. dorset.police.uk/neighbourhood-policing/ east-dorset-urban (see under 'Meet your local officers' about 2/3 down the page).



Sgt 1309 Steve Payne



PCSO 5923 Nikki Sykes

#### 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 (located next to the Day Centre/Coach Tours)

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

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