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Hello again all

The month of August in our green and pleasant land - and we think that our cover image perfectly captures the essence of a quintessential English summer afternoon. Cricket on a beautifully manicured lawn with the Village Church and Hagley Hall as the backdrop.....what an absolute delight. Thank you to Charlotte McAuslan for taking this stunning shot and sending it over to us.

This month we have even more nostalgic images of shops in Hagley and how they've changed over the decades. A huge thank you to Don and Ray for collating all these photos along with info and forwarding it to us - we have so much more that will be appearing in the coming issues so we hope you're enjoying them as much as we are!

On pages 10 and 11 we have Steve Colella's usual updates on the Hagley Surgery PPG, The Community Centre/Village Market and the local Neighbourhood Watch - these are all always very informative reads so do check them out as you make your way through this issue. And by the way Steve is still on the lookout for help with social media and

marketing for the monthly market, please do give him a shout if you think you can help.

As always we like to encourage our readers to make the most of our lovely village library. It's a calm, warm and bright space where the staff and volunteers are always friendly and happy to help. There is so much on offer including free computer usage, a printing service, children's activities along with a walking group, knitting and nattering and of course the Summer Reading Challenge. See page 42 for more details of all of this and so much more!

And finally....it's worth a mention that we've updated our directory at the back of the magazine. You may find it worthwhile checking it out to make sure that you have the correct details for all your clubs and associations.

So folks - that's it for this month! Have a good read, enjoy the rest of your summer and we'll catch up with you all again in September.

Alison Akers Editor

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ACTIVE SENIORS Strength & Balance 11.15-12.15pm	ACTIVE SENIORS Strength & Balance 1.20-2.20pm 2.45-3.45pm	LITTLE KICKERS 1.00pm	ACTIVE SENIORS Strength & Balance 2.45-3.45pm	WEST GLEN HTM DOG TRAINING 2.00pm	
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We take a break for August, with meetings restarting on 3rd September with Ned Williams presenting 'A Perfect Place to Live: New Towns and Utopias'.

Ned is a local historian and the author of several books on the history of the Black Country. The New Towns programme, with its phases between 1946 and 1970, was the most ambitious town building programme ever undertaken in the United Kingdom.

The first wave of independent new towns was intended to help alleviate the housing shortages following the Second World War in and around London. Additional phases occurred in the Midlands and the North, including the new towns closest to home, Telford and Redditch. When describing the new towns, we often refer to the utopian thinking that birthed them. However, utopias

are 'no places'; and sadly, they are imaginary and impossible to realise. This talk takes us back to a time in our history an ideal existed – to create greener, more spacious, more prosperous places for all social classes to live in together. Come along and assess how planners attempted to achieve this and how well they succeeded!

The society's meetings which are held at 8pm in St Saviour's Hall on the first Tuesday of each month.

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Rachel Paget - Secretary



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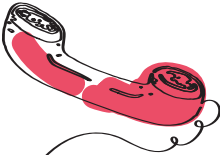
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HAGLEY HOBBLERS

The group, now largely self run, was established in 2022 under a wider walking football initiative by Bromsgrove and Redditch District Council, with support from Hagley Parish Council. Initial funding paid for the necessary equipment (footballs, playing bibs etc). The group was brought together and run for the first 3 months by volunteer Alex Cooke and since then has been largely self run with District and Parish Council support. The facilities at Hagley Playing Fields, both the Pavilion and the playing fields, are provided by Hagley Parish Council, and West Hagley Football Club supply goal posts and flags.

A dozen players took part on the first day, Tuesday 19 April 2022, many of whom have become regulars. Since then games have taken place every Tuesday at 10.30am (weather permitting), though the group has generally been quite fortunate with the weather!. Everyone turning up is guaranteed a game, as the number in each team and the size of the pitch is adjusted accordingly. The only rule is 'just turn up on Tuesday for 10.30am' - no prior notice or future commitment required. The rules of walking football are fairly simple, with some appropriate adjustments from ordinary football - mainly 'no running'!

HAGLEY WI

August sees the end of the WI year. This is generally a time for friends to get together and enjoy each other's company.

This year, instead of our usual Garden Party Hagley Ladies are having a Summer Afternoon Tea in aid of Breast Cancer. This is such an important cause and one that is very dear to us.

What can be better than enjoying each others company, delicious homemade scones and cakes and also raising money for a very well deserved charity. We recently hosted and enjoyed an Indoor Picnic with other WI groups in our area that proved to be a roaring success. Home Instead in Hagley very kindly allowed us to hire wonderful summer games, Hoopla, Knock down the Ducks plus many more. Prizes were won on the tombola and once again delicious food. One thing WI ladies all love is a good chat with yummy cakes

September sees the start of a new WI year and we have a full programme lined up of various things for us to enjoy both in and out of our monthly meeting.

We meet the second Monday of the month and September we are looking at Call The Midwife – Tudor Times. This will be so interesting and possibly even cringing! WI life is all about Inspiration and Friendship. We have both at Hagley.

If you would like to know more. Please do get in touch **Judi Priest, judipriest1@gmail.com** Or find me on Facebook and message me.

Judi Priest

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HCK BADMINTON CLUB

HCK Badminton Club continues to run on Fridays during August with sessions in Hagley now running from 7pm to 10 pm, due to popularity. We welcome adult visitors of all levels of experience during the summer months and will also be offering formal adult coaching sessions with our club coach from 16th August onwards. Registration will be on a first come, first served basis, so please contact coach Paul for details of how to sign up and for details of our charges on **07731 744467** or by e-mailing **info@hckbadminton.club**. This is a perfect opportunity for anyone

looking for a chance to get into the game to do so in a friendly, informal environment. Own equipment is not necessary but let us know if you need to loan a racquet for the sessions when you sign up. We are a friendly club, with social events taking place during the year, so you can be assured of a friendly welcome.



BLAKEDOWN & HAGLEY TENNIS CLUB

The tennis season is in full swing and we're enjoying our mix-in sessions on Friday and Sunday mornings 1000 -1200 and Monday evenings 1800-2000. The teams are also busy playing their matches in the various local leagues. This year is rather special as the Club celebrates its 100th anniversary. It was formed in 1924 as Blakedown and Churchill Tennis Club and was originally sited at The Avenue, moving to the Sports Centre in 1971/1972. Hagley Tennis Club merged with Blakedown in 2018 and the club has gone from strength to strength at The Sports Centre in Blakedown. In order to mark this

auspicious occasion we're planning an Open Event on Sunday 15th September at 2pm. There will be a 'fun' American Tournament and refreshments available. Do come along. We'd love to see you.

Sandy Thomas



LITTLE KICKERS

Little Kickers football sessions are the perfect introduction to football and sport for children aged 18 months to 7th birthday. We've been running sessions at Hagley Community Centre on Wednesday afternoons for several years now. Whether you've a child who would benefit from playing organised sport with their peers, a budding footballer who you'd like to introduce to the game or simply get moving to burn off some excess energy, then Little Kickers is the place for them! We run fun, friendly football sessions which meet most early learning objectives in a pressure free environment. Full details

of all our sessions, times, venues and prices can be found at www.littlekickers.co.uk (Go to 'Find A Class') and you can enrol here too subject to availability. And as a reader of this magazine we are happy to invite you and your child along for a free, none obligation taster to enable you to see what all the fun is about! Just give us a call on **07545 236917** or email **dhomer@littlekickers.co.uk** and quote the Hagley Village News to arrange this.



HAGLEY NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

The recent June power cut in Hagley highlighted an issue which I think would be useful to share and perhaps save someone else the difficulties that the power cut caused and what can be done to mitigate the effect in future.

I have been made aware that the power cut, which happened around about 10:45pm and might have caught many people out.

In this instance an elderly resident was caught in a room with no windows and so when the light went out was in complete darkness. The person is frail and relies on a walking frame. Luckily, she has signed up to Bromsgrove District Council's 'Lifeline' (there are other similar systems available) and she managed to press the alarm button on her lanyard, who in turn called a near relative.

Advice from the incident is that I would urge anyone who is isolated and requires support to register with a provider such as Lifeline. Also, in this circumstance the family will be storing torches at various places, especially in rooms where there are no windows.

On another occasion the power cut might have been during daylight hours or when the person was in bed, but when the unusual happens its then that the 'just in case' plan would be helpful.

Thank you to neighbours who came out checking on elderly and vulnerable who I understand recognised the difficulties that the person might be experiencing.

**Steve Colella -
Hagley Neighbourhood Watch
co-ordinator**

HAGLEY SURGERY PPG

At this month's meeting of the PPG and Doctor's Surgery Management we discussed several issues.

We asked that a PPG notice board is installed in the surgery Reception and that an added feature is added to the surgery website to enhance the work that the PPG is doing and raise awareness.

It was also discussed that the screen in the reception which informs patients when their consultation is ready has an audible alert. The registration screen is also considered to be too high and makes it difficult for wheelchair users to access easily.

The PPG has set itself a task of writing short paragraphs on 'helpful tips and advice' that might help patients with problems of access to the surgery or pharmacy services. The recent Covid vaccinations rollout went very well. Those with limited mobility appreciated

that the nurses would come to the surgery carpark or in some cases would do home visits. There are a few access difficulties especially those unable to 'go online' and we believe that messages should be clearer that 'first stop' advice can be accessed by telephone.

Where results of tests were received printed advice could be issued to help the patient read published advice on their issue. Also, we think that for those taking regular long-term medication a change to a 2-month supply would be an improvement. These will be discussed at the next PPG meeting.

Some patients might have noticed that better communication is required from surgery/pharmacy when medication is changed from branded therapy to a generic product.

Steve Colella - Chairman, Hagley PPG

HAGLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE

I'm pleased to report that following our successful bid for a grant for repair and maintenance of the Community Centre a site visit was held with the project lead.

We went through the issues that we would like included in the project. We are now waiting for confirmation of what can be done from the list of jobs put forward. We are planning that any works will be carried out during August and we will be contacting users to schedule the most appropriate times to carryout the works. No works will be carried out over the weekend and so unless there are any extenuating circumstances to the centre will remain open over the summer.

Great work by 'Mary' in securing new traders for the Village Market was rewarded with a great turnout for the June Market with almost 500 people coming to visit us. We still need some extra support to help 'Bob' and 'Nicky' to do the social media posts and market promotions. If you think you can help, please contact me.

The 'Hagley Hub' will be taking a few weeks off over the summer, but we'll be back in September, we hope to see you then.

The Hagley Parish Council 'Festival on the Field' went well, and the weather behaved itself. Well done to all involved and it was great to see such a great turnout.

I would like to add my congratulations to the many best wishes to the Reverend Richard Newton and his wife Kathy upon their retirement. Richard has been here in Hagley for the past 28 years and has served our community with the most compassion and support imaginable. Enjoy your retirement both, you certainly deserve your well-earned rest.

**Steve Colella - Chairman
Hagley Community Association**

VILLAGE LADIES

Hi Village Ladies, we are now into our summer break so wherever you are, whoever you're with and whatever you're doing have a very happy time. In this Village News we look back to June and our two meetings on 11th and 25th.

On 11th Jackie Smith shared with us her view of 'The Joy of Music' giving us much to think about. On 25th, our own evening this year was a fish and chip supper followed by Bingo with massive prizes given to the lucky winners! Delicious fish and chips and lots of laughter probably caused the need for several doses of Ronnies to be taken before bed! A good time was had by all.

Of course, we do not meet this month so this is an early reminder that our next meeting is on 10th September when we renew our membership for 2024/2025. If you would like more information about Village Ladies please ring Anne Poole **(01562 885556)** or Ann Pagett **(01562 882692)** and they'll be very happy to help.



STEP BACK IN TIME OLD SHOPS OF HAGLEY

94 WORCESTER ROAD

This was the original doctors' surgery with the dispensary behind. It was briefly Hill's Electrical shop. It later became Harlequin, selling fancy goods and cards, and the Post Office. The business changed to the Hagley Cobbler in 1996 run by Keith Avery.



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96 WORCESTER ROAD

This has always been a chemists shop. The first owner was Mr Greenwood - it was mentioned in Kelly's Directory 1928. It was run by Miss Rakes and later owned by Miss Hesleden. It became Co Op Pharmacy in the mid 1980s until 1993 owned by Mrs Lucas. It is now Well Pharmacy.



Ben Cutler in front of the chemist's shop 1927



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99 WORCESTER ROAD

This is the site of Miss Gale's shop and cottage. It opened in 1970 as a delicatessen run by Paul Lewis and later by Brenda and Derek Thorne. In 1986 it was taken over by Jill Gall and known as The Hamper. It was opened as The Deli In The Village by Jodie Mondon in August 2010.



Jill and Emma thank customers for support

A delicatessen has celebrated 30 years of serving the taste buds of Hagley residents with staff past and present basking not to celebrate the occasion.

Jill Gall set up The Hamper in 1986 and the store has since become one of the most well-loved and established sites in Hagley.

Report by Lee Waller

Emma Gall, left, and mother Jill celebrate 30 years of their Hagley delicatessen.



Gill Gall and daughter Emma



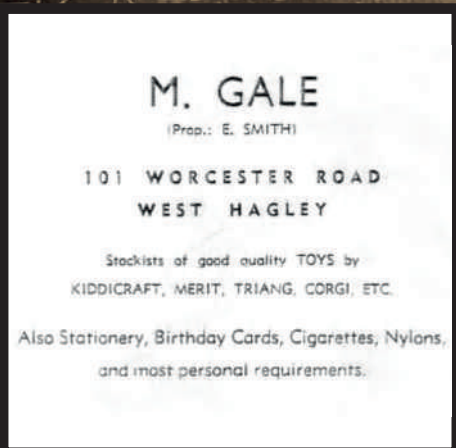
Jodie Mondon at The Deli In The Village

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STEP BACK IN TIME OLD SHOPS OF HAGLEY

101 WORCESTER ROAD

Miss Gertrude Gale, Draper and Postmistress is mentioned in Kelly's Directory 1912. She ran the business with her sister - they produced a series of postcards of Hagley. The buildings were demolished in the 1960s to make way for new shops.



Malcolm Gee opened as a chemist 1970-71. It was taken over by Mrs Scarborough. She ran the business until her retirement in 2000. The shop opened in 2001 selling children's clothing before closing in February 2003. It was refitted and opened as an estate agency in 2003.



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HAGLEY STRING ORCHESTRA

After eleven exhilarating years conducting this enthusiastic orchestra and having reached my 90th birthday, I've decided the time has come to hand over to a younger leader with a different repertoire and new ideas. Strongly recommended by players, Rory Freckleton will be the conductor of HSO from September 2024. He is already well-known as the popular director of the Brierley Hill Choral Society for the last eight years. He, like me, has been a violin and viola player before taking up the baton. He has experience teaching in schools in Shropshire and has been the director of the Bridgnorth Area Youth Orchestra and principal conductor of the Telford Orchestra. I wish him all success and much pleasure with HSO and, as he is a considerable composer, enjoying sharing his string compositions.

If you play a violin, viola, cello or double bass, please consider joining this very friendly group. If public performances worry you, Hagley String Orchestra only rehearses for our own pleasure and does not perform in public.

Jeremy Patterson - Conductor
jeremy.patterson2013@yahoo.co.uk



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Our last talk in the Spring season was a very interesting one given by Dr Javad Hashemi about the Wonders of the Silk Routes which were ancient trade routes that linked the Western world with the Middle East and Asia, he brought with him a Power Point presentation which added to our enjoyment. He had a wide breadth of knowledge too. Silk was not the only item to be transported but included precious stones, paper, china, spices and ivory and many other items. During the summer months we are going to enjoy some outings to places of interest one being Buscot Park, this year featuring an exhibition of outdoor glass sculptures.

Kensington Palace is also a trip we are looking forward to before our talks resume in the Autumn in September.

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In June the Rotary Club with partners visited Anglesey for the annual Presidents away weekend which included a boat trip around the island. The club had a thoroughly enjoyable time for which the well-organized event closed the year on a high note for President Derry Millington who fell head over heels with its venue.

President Bill Harris was delighted to take on the clubs presidency from Derry Millington on the 24th June when we were sent buzzing with excitement by a presentation on the accent skills of Beekeeping by Richards Watkins from the Hagley and Stourbridge Bee Keeping Association.

For Rotarians the month of July is when we consider New Leadership so, if readers would like to have fun with a purpose, consider

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THE ARTS SOCIETY - STOURBRIDGE

The Society's lecture in June was given by Tyler Butterworth with the title 'The Golden Age of British Comedy.' It is said in theatrical history that the 1970s and '80s were that golden age of British comedy, known as Variety. It was a world of comedians, impressionists, of TV shows, and of much-loved people: Morecombe and Wise, Bruce Forsyth and so on. Tyler went back and explored the acts, the places, and the people who made us laugh: a real nostalgic trip down memory lane.

If you're interested in finding out more about joining us or simply coming to this lecture please contact Neill Robbon on **07484 830487** or email **neillrobb@btinternet.com**.



HAGLEY COMMUNITY ORCHESTRA

Thank you to everyone who came to our 'Music for Sanctuary' concert in St John's Church on Sunday afternoon June 9th, and for being such a warm and supportive audience. We raised £317 for "Basement Project Bromsgrove", which specifically helps young adults who find themselves homeless due to family breakdown, mental health issues, drugs and many other problems. Thank you for your generous donations to this greatly needed Project. Following Rev Newton's final service on June 30th, we have our summer break and our first autumn rehearsal will be on Thursday 12th September. **Cynthia Downes, Musical Director 07545 773 139**

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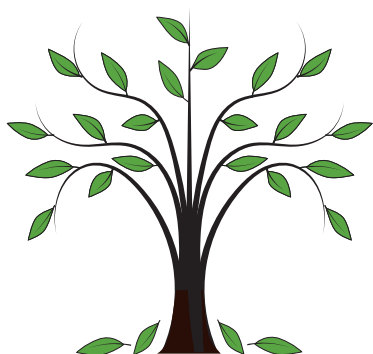
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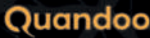
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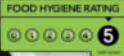
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ART CLUB

Summer is in full swing (I think!) and although the weather is being unpredictable as usual, the Art Club is at least predictably offering another quality demonstration in August with Kirsty Trope, a traditional fine artist, who will be demonstrating animals in watercolour. Other than that we have had an exhibition at Russells Hall Hospital and manned a very successful card, craft and unframed paintings stall at the Summer Fun Day. We have an exhibition coming this month at St George's Hall Bewdley from Monday 19th August until 16th Monday 16th September, open to all members.

NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME.

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Sallie Gurney - Website Editor



HAGLEY ART CLUB

GIRLGUIDING IN HAGLEY

Summer programmes are in full swing with lots of hopes for better weather so that Girlguiding units can get out and about. 1st Hagley Rangers have tried their hands at mosaic tiling and grouting. Guides are all busy planning exciting camping adventures for the summer. 2nd Hagley Brownies had a fun couple of weeks at St Johns Church learning how to bell ring. The Brownies really enjoyed making the bells ring – apologies to the residents of top Hagley. Thank you to the bell ringers who gave up their time for the Brownies to experience something very different.

2nd Hagley Rainbows have a very busy programme planned. 2nd Hagley Rainbows have a very busy Summer term planned. If you are interested in joining our team then please visit **www.girlguiding.org.uk** and follow the links to volunteer with us.

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WORDSLEY AMATEUR DRAMATIC SOCIETY - WADS

I was thinking about writing this 'Yesterday' but 'It's been a Hard Day's Night' – we have been so busy, it's like there are 'Eight Days a Week'! /;. If I was a 'Paperback Writer' this sort of thing would flow like the Mersey, but I'm only a 'Day Tripper' so not very proficient at all. So I'll get down to it – our tale of the twins from Liverpool was here! "Blood Brothers," the play by Willy Russell hit Hagley Community Centre on 12th and 13th July at 7.30 after a 'Magical Mystery Tour' to Brierley Hill.

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Andrew Rock



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Katy Rees (Volunteer)

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HAGLEY PROBUS CLUB

The Club celebrated the 43rd anniversary of its foundation on Monday 24 June with a meeting for members, partners and guests at Hagley Golf and Country Club. Following lunch the 44 attendees were well entertained by the versatile comedian, musician and conjurer, Dave Moylan. Dave had obviously made an in depth study of past comedians and regaled us with some of their timeless jokes, interspersed with conjuring and card tricks and guitar solos. Bob Monkhouse, Chick Murray, Max Wall, Flanagan and Allen, Charlie Chester and not forgetting Enoch and Eli all featured in his repertoire – names familiar to the

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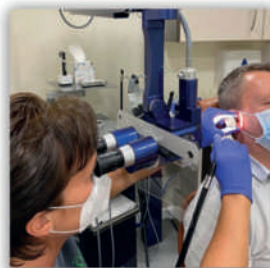
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HAGLEY VILLAGE ALLOTMENTS

As June ends and July starts, it really feels as though this cyclical pattern of hot then wet weather is really setting back where we would expect some harvesting of produce to be by now! I can say this with a degree of confidence as the photo roll on my phone reminds me on a daily basis of what I had garden harvested a year ago and even four years ago!

That said, the cutting flowers - particularly the Matucana sweet peas and the cosmos are doing particularly well. They are extraordinarily scented and unlocks a childhood memory of picking sweet peas from my nan's garden and making them into a posy with tin foil! Ironically, my flower arranging ability hasn't really evolved much past that 8-year-old me - but at least I have upgraded from tin foil to more sustainable glass jars and bottles! There was only a couple of glass fatalities whereby my naughty cat (Villanelle) pushes the bottles over as if she is playing skittles...

I have been harvesting some pretty perfect looking strawberries too. Annoyingly though, a strawberry wouldn't actually feature in my top 10 favourite fruits to eat (!) - but it's something about these freshly picked ones are undoubtedly superior to any supermarket purchased ones. Not quite enough yet to make any jam - but hopefully soon if I can salvage some jam jars from the cat!

The last of the rhubarb I collected from the plot is also muddling away in some gin - we'll report back on how rhubarb-infused gin is (with ginger ale and a slice of lime!)

James and Anna



HAGLEY U3A

We usually take August off - from general meetings and trips at least, although individual groups will make their own arrangements. Some of our regular groups have disappeared anyway, from lack of support or leader. However, we made some changes after our AGM. Countryside Studies were merged into the Short Walk activity; and the newly proposed Climate Studies were made a subdivision of Science Studies for the time being. Two other new groups also gained general support: Digital Awareness on the morning of the fourth Friday in the month, and

Mindfulness Practice in the afternoon of the fourth Tuesday in the month. Further details are on our website at:

<https://u3asites.org.uk/hagley/groups> or contact Jane Mottram on **01562 888219** **janemottram42@gmail.com**. And for those of you contemplating an exotic summer break, we have a talk by Sue Lewis on Leprosy at our September meeting.

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minuscule to our eyes, the Lord is interested in everything we have to give (our gifts, talents, abilities, accomplishments). When we give up even the littlest of things to Him, He brings forth abundance! Be blessed and encouraged. (Revd Tim) **Revd Tim**

SERVICES FOR AUGUST 2024

Date		Morning 10.30am
04th August 2024	Communion	Rev. Tim Mullings
11th August 2024		Pastor David Umbers
18th August 2024		Rev. Tim Mullings
25th August 2024		Mrs Marjorie Davies

BIBLE STUDY AND PRAYER GROUP Is meeting every Friday 2:30pm in the upstairs room.

CHURCH OFFICE MONDAY, THURSDAY, FRIDAY: 8.30am - 12.00pm
Contact **07922 508014** or Email: **hfc1905@btinternet.com** for all enquiries and bookings.
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CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

Here for Christ. Here for the challenge of the gospel. Here for the community around us.

THE PARISH OF HAGLEY

St John the Baptist with St Saviour's
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Sun 11 August: Music for Sanctuary Concert, St John's, 3.00 pm. Serenata Winds - a programme of music for Wind Quintet – Free entry – donation to charities for the homeless.

Thu 15 August: Hagley Mothers' Union visit to St Cassian's Church, Chaddesley Corbett.

Sun 25 August: Clent and Hagley church cricket match at Hagley Cricket Ground, beginning at about 2.00 pm, with tea between the innings. Afterwards, there will be Songs of Praise in front of the pavilion at about 5.00 pm. Everyone is very welcome.

SUNDAY WORSHIP FOR HAGLEY AND CLENT - AUGUST 2024

Date	10.30am
04th August 2024 Trinity 10	Holy Communion at St John's Worship 4 All at St Leonard's
11th August 2024 Trinity 11	Holy Communion at St Saviour's Holy Communion at St Leonard's
18th August 2024 Trinity 12	Holy Communion at St John's
25th August 2024 Trinity 13	Holy Communion at St Saviour's Holy Communion at St Leonard's

Please contact the Parish Office if you wish to enquire about a baptism or wedding or to receive our church magazine "Contact" or weekly Pewsheet (details as above). There is a said service of Holy Communion in St Leonard's at 10.30 am on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday each month and in St Saviour's at 10.30 am every Thursday.



TODDLER GROUPS - parents/guardians stay

MONDAY
STAY & PLAY 0-5 Romsley Scout Hut 9:30-11.00am Call Laura 07525 476339
BOUNCE & RHYME 0-2 Hagley Library 10-10.30am and 11-11.30am Email: halib@worcestershires.gov.uk

THURSDAY
STAY & PLAY 0-5 Churchill Village Hall 9:30-10:30am and 10:45-11:45am Call Laura 07525 476339
LITTLE TREASURES Hagley Community Centre 10.00-11.30am
STORYTRAIN Hagley Library 10-10.30am Email: halib@worcestershires.gov.uk

WEDNESDAY
TODDLERS Hagley Free Church 9:30-11:15am Call Zsuzsi 07852749268
BOUNCE & RHYME 0-2 Hagley Library 2.15-2.45pm Email: halib@worcestershires.gov.uk

FRIDAY
RAINBOW STAY & PLAY 0-5 Conkers (next to Hagley kindergarten) 9:30-11:15am Email: Zsuzsi at zsuzsannatandy@gmail.com

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HAGLEY LIBRARY

We have lots of exciting children's activities at the library for your little ones. Bounce & Rhyme is for babies and children age 0-2 years on Mondays 10-10.30am and 11-11.30am. We also run a session on a Wednesday 2.15-2.45pm. Active Tots is for children age 2-4 years on Mondays 2.15-2.45pm. All sessions are Term time only and involve rhymes, songs, puppets, musical instruments and fun! Storytrain is for children age 2-5 years on Thursdays 10-10.30am. Come and listen to a fun story and make a simple craft to take home. Lego Club is for children age 5 years and above and runs every Saturday 2.15-3.30pm, come and make a Lego creation linked to a weekly theme. All our activities are FREE and run term time only, apart from Storytrain and Lego Club which run through

the school holidays too. Please book a place by emailing halib@worcestershires.gov.uk or phoning us on **01905 822722** or popping into the library. We also have a great selection of books for readers young and old, you can browse our catalogue on our website at: www.worcestershires.gov.uk/libraries and order books for collection, renew your books online and have access to many online resources, including our popular e-books and magazines. The library offers free computer use and we have a printing service too, 15p for a black and white printout, 50p for a colour. Our friendly staff and volunteers are always happy to help you, so pop down to your local community library, we look forward to seeing you soon!

THE HAGLEY LIBRARY HEALTHY WALKING GROUP

The Hagley Library Healthy Walking Group: Want to get more active and socialise at the same time? Then we're here to help! Walking is a great way to get fit and explore what's on your doorstep. Our friendly group meets in the library on the 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 10.30am. We now have a new Walk Leader to take you on some lovely one-hour long walks around the local area. Our next walks in the new year are:

- 7th & 21st August • 4th & 18th September
- 2nd & 16th October • 6th & 20th November • 4th & 18th December

We look forward to seeing you!

CALLING ALL PEOPLE WHO LOVE TO CRAFT

Hagley library has a new 'knit and natter' group on a Thursday afternoon, Hagley Library, at 2pm. Come along with your knitting/crochet/embroidery project and chat to others while you craft. It's a great way to meet new people in a warm, welcoming environment. Please do join us for this free group and why not borrow a book while you are here!

SUMMER READING CHALLENGE

The Summer Reading Challenge starts on Saturday 6th July and runs until Saturday 14th September! This year's theme is called 'Marvellous Makers' and it's all about creativity. Children age 4-11 years can take part. To complete the challenge children must read 6 books, borrowed from the library. There are stickers and prizes to collect along the way and a certificate when you have completed the challenge, with an invitation to a fun day at the library to collect your medal. Just pop into the library from 6th July to sign up! There will also be lots of great activities to take part in during the summer holidays, just follow 'Hagley Library' on Facebook to keep up to date!

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"August is the slow, gentle month that stretches out the longest across the span of a year. It yawns and lingers on with the light in its palms"

Victoria Erickson



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