

## **ALL CHANGE!**

I sometimes think that September would be a better time for “New Year” than January. September seems to be the time when so many changes happen and new things begin. Children of all ages return to school after the long summer break, going into new classes with new teachers, perhaps starting new subjects or new courses. Students start college and university, often living away from home for the first time. Church and community groups begin their new sessions after a break in August, with new programmes and ventures. The Methodist Church has its own “new year” in September, when ministers, who nearly always move to new appointments in July and August, are officially welcomed and start work. Even if we are doing nothing different ourselves in September, we can often sense that the lazier days of summer are over and people are going about their business with a new sense of purpose and renewed vigour.

All this change can be exciting, but it can also be unsettling. Starting new things can be challenging and at times we might be tempted to wish we had stuck with the old! But change cannot be avoided in life. Journalist James Cameron once said that life is like an airport: every place of arrival is also a point of departure. Nothing stays the same forever, and change is a natural and necessary part of growing up and developing into the people God calls us to become. One of my favourite hymns contains the lines:

*Great is thy faithfulness, O God my Father,  
There is no shadow of turning with thee;  
Thou changest not, thy compassions, they fail not;  
Great is thy faithfulness, Lord, unto me.*

These words suggest that God never changes, and there is a sense in which that is true, for Christians believe that God is complete and perfect, and does not need to change or grow like humans do. Christians have debated for centuries whether God can actually *change* or *be changed* like people can. But we do believe that God is always active in our world, a living, dynamic Spirit who invites us to engage with him fully in all that we do with our lives, and that will certainly change *us*. What the hymn reminds us is that whatever else

changes for us, God’s love and faithfulness remain constant, and we may trust God not to abandon us, however scary or challenging the changes may be in our own lives.

My husband David and I have lived in Barton for three years now, and my curacy here has been very happy and rewarding. But it is time for us to move on. On October 1<sup>st</sup> we move to Kirton-in-Lindsey, where I shall begin a new role as Priest-in-Charge of Kirton, Grayingham, Waddingham, Snitterby and Bishop Norton. All sorts of new challenges and opportunities lie ahead. We would like to thank all the people of Barton, South Ferriby, Horkstow and Saxby, especially in the churches but also those in the wider community, for your friendship and the ways in which you have made us so welcome during the past three years. We have made many friends and will take very many good memories with us. Thank you, and may God bless you all.

Kathy

### **Knowing Me, Knowing You... An Invitation to Learn More about Yourself and Others.**

Have you ever wondered why you seem to get on with some people so much better than others? Have you ever felt yourself “out of place”, perhaps craving some peace and quiet while everyone around you seems to be partying, noisily!? Have you ever asked yourself why different people, even in the same family, can do things so differently – why some like to be ordered and methodical, always planning ahead, whilst others like to live spontaneously, appear to be disorganised, but thrive on being put on the spot or being challenged by the moment?

We are all different, and some of our differences can be attributed to our Personality Type. The notion of Personality Type is based on the psychology of Carl Jung, a psychologist who first published a book on his ideas in 1921. Jung’s thinking was developed by two other psychologists, Katherine Cook Briggs and her daughter Isabel Briggs Myers. As a result of their work during the war years and after, something called the Myers-Briggs Personality Type Indicator (MBTI) was developed. This is a detailed questionnaire which, when analysed

properly, can help the people who complete it to understand more fully themselves; how they like to make decisions and choices, and how their personal preferences affect their daily interactions with the world around them, including other people.

For decades Christians have found the MBTI helpful in their personal spiritual lives, in their different roles and ministries, and in understanding themselves better. Many of us in this Diocese who have been selected for ministry training will at some point have taken part in a Myers-Briggs workshop. Recently some members of St Mary's have expressed an interest in taking part in such a workshop, and so it is proposed that we run one in the autumn for anyone who would like to take part. We need at least eight people to make a workshop viable, though up to twenty can be accommodated. There will be a cost to cover materials of £14 per person, and the workshop will last a day. Workshops are usually very enjoyable, very enlightening, and do not present a threat to those taking part. You do not have to have a particular job or role in the church to take part – everyone can participate, whatever their age or situation. Our workshop will be led by Revd. David McCormick, who is fully trained and regularly leads Myers-Briggs workshops in the Diocese.

No date has yet been arranged, but if you think you might like to take part, please speak to a member of the clergy soon, to register an interest. Then watch this space!

### **SCUNTHORPE FOODBANK - BARTON BRANCH**

In the past few months, many of you may have seen features on BBC's "Look North" and in the local papers about food banks in our area. Some of the Barton churches, together with community groups, have been exploring the possibility of such a project for Barton and the surrounding villages. At the moment, people with emergency needs in our area have to use the services of the Scunthorpe Food Bank, often incurring difficult and ill-afforded transport costs. Discussions about establishing a Food Bank for Barton are moving forward with the help of the Scunthorpe Food Bank based at the Baptist Church on Ashby Road.

The need for such a service is becoming increasingly obvious in these austere times. Many people are finding themselves in great difficulties,

especially towards the end of the week, when their benefit does not arrive, perhaps due to a change in their circumstances.

The Food Bank will not exist to be a regular help or top-up for those in difficulty, but is for emergency "one-off" situations. It is usually limited to a maximum of three occasions when vouchers for food can be issued, until such times as their financial problems are sorted.

This is how the Food Bank will work:

- For whatever reason, the due benefit does not arrive and an individual or family find themselves without food for the short-term. They are put in touch with a Food Bank Partner in the town. Food Bank Partners in the community will include churches, the Local Link and other named community groups.
- The individual or family are assessed, and if they meet the criteria, they receive a voucher for a food parcel. The Partners will be trained and will not issue vouchers indiscriminately. Vouchers cannot be copied and there are safeguards to ensure that no two or more partners are dealing with the same recipients.
- Having received a signed voucher, the recipient can then go to the Distribution Centre staffed by trained volunteers. The location and opening time of this place is yet to be decided, but it will be manned by Christians from all denominations, who, if asked, can also offer spiritual support.
- The food for the parcels, for the time being, will come on a weekly basis from the Scunthorpe store. Once the Barton branch is up and running, a store will be established here. Scunthorpe will be able to draw from our resources and vice-versa. Volunteers in Barton may be asked to help in Scunthorpe.
- Food is provided in several ways. It may be purchased using direct donations of money, or collected by churches, schools, community groups, individuals, etc. Lists of suitable tins and packets are made available to anyone who wants to donate items. There are fundraising events of which, Barton would be expected to organise two a year. Good relationships exist already with many of the big supermarkets, who allow store

collections from time to time. This involves volunteers standing in the foyers of willing supermarkets asking shoppers to buy an item from a prepared list, rather like the collections for pet charities. Everything collected is weighed and valued. A summary is then sent to the participating store, to show them the extra income they have received from this. So, in effect, both Food bank and supermarket benefit.

This is just a simple summary of what is likely to be involved in this venture. The Scunthorpe Food Bank is part of the Trussell Trust, whose details can be found on their website [www.trusselltrust.org/foodbank-projects](http://www.trusselltrust.org/foodbank-projects).

There are plenty of opportunities for anyone in the community to become involved, as there are so many facets of the project. People can decide on their own degree of commitment. The more helpers we have, the lighter the load. Anyone wishing to help will receive proper training and help from the main Food Bank in Scunthorpe.

If you would like to know more, or think you might like to get involved, please contact Revd. Kathy Colwell (before September 18<sup>th</sup>) or Margaret Sidell (any time on 632 512) or Penny Phillips (any time via St Mary's)

### **OPEN DOOR**

Open Door at St Mary's was closed last winter when very cold weather and the breakdown of the church heating system made it difficult to continue. However, we are looking at re-starting the venture for a trial period this autumn in order to assess its long-term viability.

We propose to run Open Door on Wednesday mornings, from about 10.15am (after the Wednesday Eucharist) until about 12.00noon. Free Tea, coffee, cake and biscuits will be served in the hall vestibule (donations welcome), and a member of the clergy will be on hand for conversation if required. The aim of Open Door is not to provide yet another coffee-morning, but rather to be available to anyone, church-goer or not, who wishes to drop in, look round the building, meet others, sit quietly, or perhaps talk confidentially to a member of staff

without the need for a formal appointment. In other words, there will always be someone there should you need them.

Open Door will run from September 7<sup>th</sup> until the middle of November, when it will be reviewed by the Ministry Team, and a decision made about whether to continue or not. If you believe there is a need for such a venture, then do please support it.

### **Churches' Together Service**

Monday 12<sup>th</sup>. September  
Trinity Methodist Church  
2:30p.m.

Anyone needing transport please ring  
Independent Living : 01652636208

### **Church Garden Party Raffle**

Once again the garden party was a great success. We raised £110 on the church raffle. We would like to thank all those who gave prizes. Your support is greatly appreciated.

Zenda and Bill

### **Over to you**

Over the Summer holidays I have seen lots of Grandparents (like myself) looking after grandchildren. 'Grandparenting' is a serious business these days. The economy depends on the nation's 14 million grans and granddads more than ever because of the cost of childcare, mortgages and the economic climate. Free childcare (all done lovingly) makes all the difference in hard times.

Forget the Granny doing her knitting, rocking the cradle - people are encouraged to work beyond 60 themselves now so they can be juggling work and family life just as they did as parents.

So what has gone wrong? Our younger daughter asked me not so long ago 'how I managed to stay at home with three children'. My

reply was that in most cases it was the norm, we didn't have to have the 'latest' in appliances, two cars, everything 'new' in the home etc. I remember we were grateful for second hand furniture for the bedrooms and had no washing machine or T.V. to start with.

It's a pity we can't return to those simpler times - I am sure we were all much more content and less stressed out.

I read a saying in a magazine recently - 'A family who play together, stays together' and think there is truth in this. As for worrying about everything you want or need, the reading 'Consider the lilies in the fields' springs to mind. Have a good month. S.W.

### **Scunthorpe Telegraph £20,000 Giveaway**

The Ladies' Group is collecting tokens from the Telegraph as they have been included to receive some of this money. To do that we have to collect as many tokens from the paper as we can - the more we collect the more money we receive. (This will pay for equipment needed in the kitchen.) Can you help?

If so give the tokens to Pauline, Sue or put them in an envelope marked 'Ladies' Group' and pop them in the safe by the church door

Thank you.

S.W.

### **FROM THE REGISTERS:**

#### **BAPTISMS:-**

August 14 Alyssia Grace BEEDHAM daughter of Samantha Amber STEVEN and Jonathan Mark BEEDHAM

Emma Faith CHEYNE daughter of Jenny Ann AKESTER and Andrew Paul Leonard CHEYNE

August 28 Lawson James LOBACZ son of Rebecca Jane and Richard James LOBACZ

#### **MARRIAGES:-**

August 5 Matthew NEWTON and Stacey Louise GARRETT

August 6 Christopher John SHEARS and Gillian Elaine SENNETT

August 28 Richard James LOBACZ and Rebecca Jane NORTH

#### **FUNERALS:-**

July 29 James Henry (Jim) MUMBY

August 9 Megan BIRKITT  
Vera Ellen SMITH

August 16 Maisie HOWROYD  
Peter Frederick CREDLAND

Flowers have been arranged in Church in memory of Hugh Varah.

### **St Mary's Bellringers**

It may be holiday time but the bellringers have been busy during August. Up in the bell chamber the clappers have been prepared for using the new muffles; this involved cleaning the lower end of each one and applying special 'self amalgamating' tape. The result can be seen in the picture in the middle page.

George Thompson, presently the youngest member of the Tower, organised a Quarter Peal for the first time; it was successfully scored on Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> so congratulations to George and to the rest of the team who rang with him.

### **Lincoln Diocesan Guild**

**Upton**, West Lindsey

All Saints

Sunday 14 August 2011

## 1260 Plain Bob Doubles

1 Linda Howden  
2 Sue Thompson  
3 George Thompson (C)  
4 Stuart Cooke  
5 Daniel Young  
6 Donald Kitching

Rung for the success of Stuart Cooke's strawberry tea where much money was raised for Charity.

There are now three new learners who are doing well and having extra lessons during the holiday.

## THE ROPERY

Autumn beckons and at The Ropewalk there are new exhibitions to look forward to as well as a new programme at Ropery Hall.

September sees the launch of three new exhibitions including Eduardo Paolozzi: General Dynamic F.U.N. which is on tour from London's Hayward Gallery. His friend, J G Ballard, described General Dynamic F.U.N. as "a unique guidebook to the electric garden of our minds."

Also opening is Malcolm Whittaker's Just Under The Surface which draws on his passion, the study of fossils, to create his work and, in the Box Gallery, the work of Lincoln based ceramicist Pete Moss is featured.

All three exhibitions begin on September 10 and continue until October.

At Ropery Hall the new programme gets underway next month with a sparkling mix of music, comedy, theatre and film.

Highlights include former West End actress Cheryl Knight paying tribute to the much-loved Joyce Grenfell and North Country Theatre's adaptation of D H Lawrence's The Rocking Horse Winner.

Full details are available now online at [www.roperyhall.co.uk](http://www.roperyhall.co.uk) and will be available shortly in the fourth issue of the Ropewalk Magazine.

## MOTHERS' UNION NOTES

At our last meeting Sheila thanked Janet Petch for all the lovely homemade biscuits and scones she provides at our meetings. Janet looks after all St. Marys' church linen, St Mary's Mothers' Union decided to donate some new purificators (linen used in the Eucharist service) which Sheila presented to Janet, once again thanking her for all she does for the Mothers' Union and St. Mary's Church. The linen was bought from Matabeleland Church Linens in Zimbabwe all being hand sewn by members of the MU in the Anglican diocese of Matabeleland. Buying from there gives direct support for the work of the church there. The Mothers' Union is a lively and vital part of church work and witness in this part of Africa as it engages in many projects. These include helping women care economically for their families, develop their faith and serve their neighbours. There are over 50 Mothers' Union branches within the diocese, all of which serve many communities and villages in the 24 parishes.

The "linen project" has been able to support other initiatives in the diocese. These include teaching village women to make clothes for their families; support the training of ordinands; help Mothers' Union members to care for others in bereavement or through care of AIDS sufferers and orphans; and various educational projects. In addition there are branches of St Agnes Guild giving young girls fellowship, Bible study, courses in leadership, relationship and First Aid.

Brenda Skinner

Sept 7<sup>th</sup> 9.30 Corporate Communion - Reader Beryl Crompton  
Sept 21<sup>st</sup> 2pm Speaker - Vern Liles. Reader and Vote of thanks  
Elinor Cartwright  
Sept 28<sup>th</sup> Prayer time Leader Sheila Holt

Flower Rota

Sept 4<sup>th</sup> Carolyn Smith  
Sept 18<sup>th</sup> Sheila Holt

## Remembering Dr Tom Kirk

Before, during and after the Second World War Tom Kirk and his family were resident in the three-storied house at the corner of Burgate and Marsh Lane. Tom and his wife Ethel, usually known as Peggy, were both doctors and throughout the whole of the Second World War they administered to the sick of Barton and the surrounding area. Kirk, fearing the War would be a prelude to the end of the world, wrote a war diary which his daughter has recently donated to the Barton Civic Society. This is a most incredibly important document revealing, amongst other things, the life of a doctor before the coming of the NHS - in early 1940 he was making over 50 home visits per day - and everyday life in Barton during the War.

Geoff Bryant and Nigel Land have begun editing the diary which will hopefully be published in the not too distant future. It does seem likely that there are men and women still alive who remember the Kirks and we would ask them to share those memories with us in the hope that some might be included in the forthcoming book. We would also like to know of any surviving photographs showing the Kirks.

If you do have any memories or photographs please contact either Geoff Bryant at 8 Queen Street, Barton (01652 632679) or Nigel Land at 77 Brigg Road (01652 633363). Your help in this matter will be greatly appreciated.

Geoff Bryant and Nigel Land

## THANK YOU

I would like to thank those members of St Mary's who were so kind during my recent illness. There were prayers, kind wishes, cards and flowers - and even cakes! These cheered me greatly and were of comfort to my family when I was "out of it." I thank you all.

Maggy Collingwood

## Looking Ahead to the New Term at the Wilderspin National School

Thank you to everyone who supported the Victorian Day in July. We were blessed with some fantastic weather which certainly brought out the crowds. The charity stallholders seemed to be satisfied with their sales and were a focal point of the event. We are grateful to the Civic Society for organising the day.



Next on the agenda is Heritage Open Days ~ Train Up A Child on Friday 9 - Sunday 11 September between 10am and 4pm. As part of the Lincolnshire Heritage theme, *Victorian Lincolnshire*, we are re-creating exhibition lessons in our 1845 schoolroom with the help of pupils from Castledyke Primary School. Come and witness at first hand the remarkable progress young children can make when exposed to the methods of the Infant Education System. Lessons can be observed at 11am and 2pm on Friday 9 September and Saturday 10 September.

By kind permission of Barton Civic Society there will be another chance to see some of the original sketches by local author Ted Lewis between 10 September and 27 November. Author of *Get Carter*, Lewis grew up in Barton and sketched many of the town's buildings.

Then, on Friday 16 September Keith Miller will speak about the work of Wilderspin in a lecture called "Samuel Wilderspin – Enlightened Genius or Dangerous Crank" as part of the Civic Society's 2011 Programme. Contemporary opinions about the nineteenth century Victorian educational pioneer varied. Contributors included Charles

Dickens and the cartoonist George Cruikshank. Keith's talk will weigh up the ideas and achievements of Wilderspin in their historical context. The School will be open from 7pm for a pre-talk viewing. Admission is free for Civic Society members. Non members - £1. The talk will commence at 7.30pm and there will be interval refreshments.

Between 17 September and 27 November our annual display of the winning entries in our 2011 pupils' handwriting competition will be exhibited.

### **Advance notice - Day Schools**

Wendy Chan will be running a **Felted Jewellery Workshop** on Saturday 22 October, between 10am – 4pm; and a **Felt for Christmas Workshop** on Saturday 12 November, again between 10am-4pm. The one day course rate is £42 per day payable in advance. Telephone (01652) 635172 for a booking form. The cost covers all materials, use of equipments, teas & coffees, and a light lunch.

**Books, Beads and Binding** with Hilary Walker is on Saturday 10 December, between 10am – 4pm. Have fun making 2 or 3 personalised books decorated with ribbon and beads. This class is suitable for beginners and the cost will include all materials. Refreshments will be available at *Scholars*. Light lunches may be ordered at the start of the class. Cost: £20 including materials and refreshments.

### **KATHY'S LAST SERVICE**

Kathy's last service in Barton as Assistant Curate will be a Eucharist on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> September at 7 pm at which she will preside and preach. There will be refreshments and formal "goodbyes" in the Hall afterwards.

Her Licensing as Priest-in-Charge of Kirton-in-Lindsey, Grayingham, Bishop Horton, Snitterby and Waddingham will be on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30 pm at Kirton-in-Lindsey. All are welcome at both these services.

Because Kirton is so close to Barton, we will not run a coach. From Sept 1<sup>st</sup>, there will be a list at the back **for those who need a lift**. Anybody able to help with this, please contact those on the list directly, and when arrangements have been made, please cross them off the list. It will work, really.

Alan.

Letter to the Editor:

The word "posh" does not derive from "Port Outward, Starboard Homeward". That common and oft-repeated canard has somehow gained momentum. The origins are most likely from a nineteenth-century slang word for money and, hence, for "dandy". The word "toff" derives from a corruption of "tuft"[the gold tassels that titled undergraduates had on their headgear] which itself at one point meant "dandy", so both words coincided in meaning at one point. Why make a fuss about words and their origin? All biblical exegesis rests ultimately on the interpretation of words and phrases, with attendant fine shades of meaning, in Aramaic, Hebrew, Greek, Latin, and ultimately the vernacular national tongues into which the bible was translated. If we accept that the scriptures come from God, it is still of great interest to study from the originals how the writers interpreted what they understood God to have told them. The origins of "posh" and "toff" won't influence Church history, but a lynx-eyed approach to word development is always vital, surely.

Ken Shipstone.

I was delighted to have an informative reply to 'Over to you' from my favourite history teacher! S.W.

Thursday 1 <sup>st</sup> Sept.	7.00 pm		Wedding Rehearsal
Fri 2 <sup>nd</sup>	5.00 pm		E1W
Sat 3 <sup>rd</sup>	11.30 am		Wedding
<b>Sunday 4th Sept.</b>		<b>Trinity 11</b>	
	<b>8.00 am</b>		<b>Said Eucharist</b>
	<b>9.30 am</b>		<b>Parish Eucharist</b>
	<b>2.30 pm</b>		<b>Service at The Willows</b>
	<b>6.00 pm</b>		<b>Evensong</b>
Mon 5 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am		Toddler Time
	9.30 am		Deanery Chapter (Wootton)
Wed 7 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am		Said Eucharist (MU) + Open door
	2.00 pm		Service at Eagle House
	7.30 pm		Ladies' Group
Fri 9 <sup>th</sup>	5.00 pm		E1W
Sat 10 <sup>th</sup>	11.00 am		Lectio divina
<b>Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>		<b>The BVM</b>	<b>Patronal Festival</b>
	<b>8.00 am</b>		<b>Said Eucharist</b>
	<b>9.30 am</b>		<b>Parish Eucharist</b>
	<b>4.00 pm</b>		<b>Baptisms</b>
	<b>6.00 pm</b>		<b>Evening Prayer</b>
Mon 12 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am		Toddler Time
	2.00 pm		Standing Committee (Vicarage)
Tues 13 <sup>th</sup>	1.30 pm		Clergy Diary meeting (B'dale)
<b>Wed 14<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>Holy Cross Day</b>	<b>Said Eucharist + Open door</b>
	2.00 pm		Service at Beech House
	7.15 pm		Ministry Meeting (Vicarage)
Thurs 15 <sup>th</sup>	am		Home Communion
Fri 16 <sup>th</sup>	5.00 pm		E1W
Sat 17 <sup>th</sup>	11.00 am		Lectio divina
<b>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>		<b>Trinity13</b>	
	<b>8.00 am</b>		<b>Said Eucharist</b>
	<b>9.30 am</b>		<b>Family Worship and Baptisms</b>
	<b>6.00 pm</b>		<b>Parish Eucharist</b>
Monday 19 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am		Toddler Time
	am		Home Communion at St. Peter's Court & Victoria House

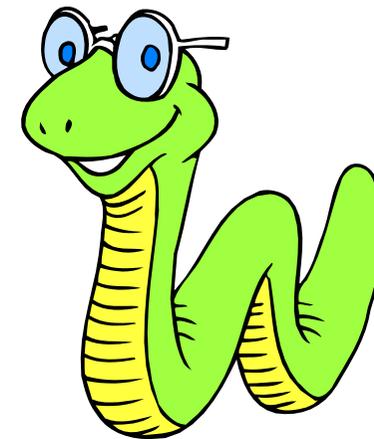
	<b>7.00 pm</b>		<b>Revd Kathy Colwell's final Eucharist + refreshments</b>
Tues 20th	<b>PARISH</b>	<b>NEWS</b>	<b>DEADLINE</b>
	7.00 pm		Eucharist
	7.00 pm		North Lincolnshire Deaneries' Open Meeting re. Women Bishops (Hall)
<b>Wed 21st</b>	<b>9.30 am</b>	<b>St. Matthew</b>	<b>Said Eucharist + Open door</b>
	2.00 pm		Mothers' Union
	7.30 pm		Ladies' Group
Fri 23 <sup>rd</sup>	2.00 pm		Wedding
	5.00 pm		E1W
Sat 24 <sup>th</sup>	11.00 am		Lectio divina
	2.00 pm		Deanery Youth event (St. Mary's)
<b>Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>		<b>Trinity 14</b>	
	<b>8.00 am</b>		<b>Said Eucharist</b>
	<b>9.30 am</b>		<b>Parish Eucharist</b>
	<b>3.00 pm</b>		<b>Civic Service</b>
	<b>6.00 pm</b>		<b>Said Evening Prayer</b>
Mon 26 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am		Toddler Time
	7.00 pm		Eucharist and PCC
Wed 28 <sup>th</sup>	9.30 am		Said Eucharist + Open door
	2.00 pm		MU Prayer Time
<b>Thurs 29<sup>th</sup> News</b>	<b>12 noon</b>	<b>Michael &amp; All Angels</b>	<b>Eucharist</b>
Fri 30th	5.00 pm		E1W



Who is the vision of loveliness in the foreground? Clue: some recently presented pink “hair-bobbles” might come in handy!



Applying special 'self amalgamating' tape to the bells.



### **BOOKS**

A big 'thank you' from Auriol for all the donated books which so far have raised £500. More books are needed please, to restock.