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The Alvediston, Ebbesbourne Wake and Fifield Bavant Newsletter.

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Happy New Year!

Please can any copy for The Ebble be sent to <u>ellen1983sailor@hotmail.co.uk</u> no later than 24th of the month.

<u>Help!</u>

The Ebble needs your help! With only six paid adverts going into 2023, this will fund just over 3 months of printing. If you are happy to receive the Ebble by email / whats app only, please could you let me know as this will reduce the printing costs.

Congratulations.

To Victoria and Stanislav from Alvediston on the birth of their son Hugo Walford Gelfer.

Learn to ring Church Bells.

The Salisbury Guild of Bellringers are planning to run a course for complete beginners in the New Year. If you are interested or know someone who is, please contact me for more information. Judithsampson@btinternet.com

Ebbesbourne Wake Parish Council.

The Parish Council met on 8/12/22. Minutes from the meeting will be available on the website (www.ebbesbournewakeparishcouncil.org.uk) and on the notice board in the bus shelter.

We agreed a total budget for 2023/24 that is unchanged from 2022/23 and so the precept (this is the amount collected on behalf of the PC as part of your Council tax) will not increase.

The Parish Council will be buying plaques for the tree it bought to mark the late Queen's Platinum Jubilee and for the 2 trees that marked her previous Jubilees.

The Parish Council are buying special commemorative mugs for all children in the Parish to mark the King's Coronation. If you live in Ebbesbourne Wake and Fifield Bavant and you have children aged 16 or under please let the Sarah Cromwell, the Parish Clerk, have their names so we can make sure no-one misses out. Sarah's phone number is 780558 or email ewfbparishclerk@gmail.com.

The next meeting will be on 16/3/2023.

Notes from a church warden – David Walsh.

"The long white chalk roads ...What quests they propose. They take us away to the thin air of the future or to the underworld of the past "Edward Thomas

"Thomas is often described as a poet of place. He was compelled by the present-tenseness of nature as in the chink of a blackbird in the hedge. But he was also alert to landscape's instabilities, to the unbidden adhesions of memory that bind one place to another.

Often there come upon us moments when we think we might be at our truest in the world "Robert Macfarlane The Old Ways .

A country walk really does unify the past , the present and the future but all in the present moment .

The Alfiwake Fund.

It can be a worrying time as winter approaches and the cost of living continues to rise. If you need help with your costs this winter or perhaps need a little support this Christmas time, please contact the Alfiwake Fund. The fund may be able to make contributions towards the cost of food, logs, coal, heating oil, boilers, boiler repairs, electricity bills and so much more. All requests will remain strictly confidential. Please contact Hugh - <u>hjwpelly@gmail.com</u> 780 258, Janine Hillary-<u>janinehillary1@gmail.com</u> 780 271, Bridget Watts - <u>kbbjwatts@btinternet.com</u> 780 662 or Carly Stainforth - <u>carlystainforth@gmail.com</u> 780 848.

The Crown Inn, Alvediston

Opening Times Monday & Tuesday - Closed all day Weds- Sat - 12pm-2.30pm and from 6pm Sun- 12pm- 3pm Sunday Roasts now being served - Booking advisable to avoid disappointment.

Village Hall Bookings - please contact Fran Rose on ewvillagehall@btinternet.com

Church Flowers and Cleaning:

Alvediston – Sheila Sykes and Sue Heath. Ebbesbourne Wake – Cathy Long and Daffy Stead. Fifield Bavant – Pip Reis.

Church Services for December:

15th January: 2nd Sunday of Epiphany - 11am – Morning Prayer – Ebbesbourne Wake – Biddy Trahair.

22nd January: 3rd Sunday of Epiphany – 11am – Holy Communion - Alvediston – Ruth H-S. 5th February: 3rd Sunday before Lent – 11am – Family Communion – Ebbesbourne Wake – Ruth H-S.

Please be covid-aware and follow any safety recommendations in church. Please note services are subject to change.

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