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Boundaries

At the end of May, I had the pleasure of accompanying the Year 5 and 6 pupils (plus a good number of staff-members) on a walk from Appleton school to St Lawrence Church, Besselsleigh. Having made our way through the woods and across the parkland, we held a short service to mark Ascension Day (which fell a week later during the half-term break); and we then enjoyed, out in the churchyard, some very welcome squash and biscuits under the shade of the yew-trees. The idea behind the outing was to introduce the children (albeit in a minimalist way), to the custom of “beating the bounds” – a practice that can be traced back at least as far as Anglo-Saxon times. Older members of a community, usually led by the vicar and church officials, would walk their “young people” (anachronism alert!) around the boundaries of their parish to pray for protection and blessing, and also to pass on to the next generation the precise locations of the boundary-markers. This was important for several reasons: among other things, the boundaries determined who had the right to be buried within the churchyard, and who was liable to contribute to the repair of the church (!) Also, and most obviously, beating the bounds on an annual basis helped to guard against the ever-present threat of encroachment - or, as we might say, “land-grabs.”

While few local communities now observe this ancient ritual, the concept of boundaries is of abiding and universal significance. In the realm of international affairs, consider the historical importance of the Berlin Wall, Hadrian’s Wall, and the Great Wall of China; or, more recently, the impact of the European Schengen Zone, Russia’s annexing of Crimea, and Donald Trump’s promise to build a wall along the Mexican border. At a more local level, previously friendly neighbours can end up disputing, or even going to court over, the boundary-lines of their respective properties; or, after a severe gale, arguing about who is responsible for replacing a broken fence.

There are boundaries everywhere, aren’t there? On U.K. roads, we drive on the left, not the right: the white lines down the middle demarcate the boundaries for safe driving, and in heavy motorway-traffic, overhead signs often instruct us to *Stay in Lane*. Equally, in many sports, the ball has to stay within set limits; otherwise it is called *Out* or *Off*. As a fielder in cricket, the last thing you want to see is the ball flying over the boundary; while a particularly bad golf shot (e.g. into someone’s garden) is deemed *Out of Bounds* - not that I would know...

Not all boundaries are physical, of course: in the sphere of personal relationships, there are commonly-agreed but *invisible* social boundaries which we transgress at our peril. This is true of the moral and spiritual world too - with the key question being: who gets to decide where the boundaries actually are? The biblical answer, of course, is that only the loving Creator has the right (and indeed the wisdom) to set bounds for our thoughts and actions. And while so-called “progressives” might seek to challenge long-held distinctions and erase sacred boundaries, we should recall that the first such transgression (the “fruit-grab” in Eden) did not end at all well. It is not for nothing that the traditional version of the Lord’s Prayer includes the phrase: forgive us our *trespasses*...

Yours, with my best wishes and prayers, Ken.

All Age Services

- Sunday 14th July, 10:00 am: Invitation Service

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If you previously attended Appleton Primary School and you are leaving Secondary Education this summer, you may be eligible for a grant of up to £100 towards University books or tools for an Apprenticeship.

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dymockdj@gmail.com

Congratulations!

I am happy and proud to report that my daughter, Gp Capt Teresa Griffiths, was awarded a CBE, Commander of the British Empire, in the recent Queen's Birthday Honours in June. A former pupil of Appleton Primary School and John Mason School Abingdon, she trained as a RGN nurse at St Bartholomew's Hospital in London and worked in the NHS up until 1993 when she joined the Royal Air Force as a Princess Mary's Nurse.

Teresa currently serves as Commanding Officer at the new, purpose built Defence Medical Rehabilitation Centre at Stanford Hall DMRC near Loughborough, Leics, which replaces the former Headley Court Rehabilitation Centre, Surrey, following its closure in December 2018.

Betty Griffiths

Appleton WI

Our July meeting will be a garden party in the garden of our president. It will be on Thursday, 18th July from 2pm until 4pm. We will be entertained by the ukeleleband, Hi Jinks. Don't forget, there is no meeting in August.

Elaine Flint
01865 861838

Evergreen Club

Our Garden Party is on Friday 12th July at Fyfield (thanks to Mr and Mrs Buchan) at 2pm. Easy games, delicious tea and raffles. More members needed to help our survival!

Trish Wagstaff

Gardening Club



Appleton Open Gardens

We had a very successful plant sale with plenty of choice in both the vegetable and flower sections. Thank you to all those who provided the plants and all those who came along to buy them.

The proceeds from the sale help us to fund the winter lecture series which starts again on the 9th October with a talk by Martin Green on *The Wonders of Westonbirt*. Martin is a National Arboretum Volunteer and he will give an illustrated talk on the 2,500 different species of tree in the Arboretum. If you are interested in finding out more about Westonbirt do come along and join us in Appleton Primary School hall at 7.30 pm.

Finally, can I remind you about the Village Show which takes place on 1st September at 2 pm in Appleton Village Hall. Copies of the schedule are available in Appleton Community Shop and you don't have to be a Club member to compete in the show.

*Hon. Secretary
Janet Hutton
01865 865269*

Appleton Open Gardens took place on a breezy and rather drizzly afternoon on Sunday 2nd June. Despite the rain, this event was wonderfully well supported by more than 300 visitors from both the village and many keen garden lovers, who came from much further afield. The eight gardens on display looked stunning and were greatly enjoyed, as was the superb hedge-laying display which was kindly provided by John Savings. The teas and bookstall in the barn did a roaring trade which was then followed by a wonderful Songs of Praise led by Revd. Ken Campbell, and finally a very well-earned glass of Pimm's to finish the afternoon off.

We would like to say a very big thank you to all those who so generously opened their gardens for all their hard work and also to the very kind bakers and the many helpers for their time and great support. We are also extremely grateful to Richard and Felicity for hosting the key events once more at 'South Lawn'. The event raised a super £2,520, which will go to St Laurence Church Appleton with Besselsleigh and also to Restore - an Oxfordshire based mental health charity.

Alix Hodge

Appleton with Eaton Tennis Club



Family Fun Morning

Our next family morning will be on Sunday 7th July from 10 - 11am – come along to the courts with your juniors for some fun with our club coach Craig. £2.50 per child or £5 for a family (up to 4 members), just turn up on the day and play! (Check Facebook for weather updates)

Casual Play

If you would like to play on one of our courts while you have visitors, you are visiting, or on holiday, please go to Appleton Village Shop where you can get details of how to access the courts.

Membership of the Club

We welcome new members to the club – see our website for more information and an application form. Existing members who have not yet renewed for 2019-20 are reminded that you can now do it online using the invitation recently emailed (if you have mislaid your invitation to re-join, please email the club).

Annual Tournament

Our annual tournament draw has taken place with the Finals Day being on Sunday 8th September. Please get your matches underway as soon as possible – don't leave it too late!!

For more information or to contact the club:

appletonwitheatontennisclub@gmail.com

Website: www.appleton-eaton.org/tennis or

<http://cspark.at/apple6>

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[AppletonwithEatonTennisClub/](https://www.facebook.com/AppletonwithEatonTennisClub/)

Appleton Cricket Club



Appleton Cricket Club play

friendly games, mainly on Wednesday evenings and Sunday afternoons. You are most welcome to join us!

In the rather wet and cold June, the cricket club still managed to squeeze in some exciting close matches.

During July we will have practice nets at the sportsfield on Tuesday evenings between 5.30 and 7 .00 pm, especially for people who haven't played for a while – do come and join us – please contact Roger Gilkes (see below).

Fixtures in July:

Wed 3rd July v Oxford Pirates 6 pm at home

Sun 7th v Bladon 2 pm at home

Wed 10th v St Clement's Strollers 6 pm at home

Sun 14th v Oxford United Hospitals 2 pm at home

Wed 17th v Far From The MCC 6 pm at home

Sun 21st v Wytham 2 pm away

Fri 26th v Appleton Parents 6 pm at home

Please feel free to contact the captain, Hjalmar Blomerus, on 07899 080200, or Roger Gilkes, rhgilkes@gmail.com and 01865 863640 for further information.

Roger Gilkes

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June	22,795	24,483	
July	23,809	27,343	
Aug	20,750	23,774	
Sept	19,963	21,849	
Oct	20,732	22,625	
Nov	19,896	22,583	
Dec	22,315	23,486	
Jan	18,154	20,000	
Feb	17,937	19,782	
Mar	22,387	22,305	
April	19,107	21,570	

Appleton Village Post Office

In these days of local bank branches closing, don't forget that the post office is here to fill the gap!

You can withdraw cash, pay in cheques and cash (you do need to have paying in slips) and envelopes for cheques are available at the Post Office.

The Post Office is open 9 am -1am Monday and Thursday and the post mistress will give out the notes that YOU would like with a smile!



Have you tried Stroopwafels - the Best Biscuits EVER!

Jane Nevill, one of our regular customers writes:

"Since going to Holland as a girl, I have been in love with Stroopwafels! Toffee waffles with a light, biscuity crunchy outside and just a hint of cinnamon. Perfect with a cup of tea or coffee and two in a pack so great for sharing!

The tiny bit of cinnamon is what sets these original Dutch classics apart from the other, sub-standard 'toffee waffles'.

I was so excited to see them in the shop one day, that I began telling everyone how amazing they are. They're SO good in fact that I have been known to post them to family in Yorkshire! Try and enjoy!"

And feedback from one of our younger customers,
Annabelle, aged 6 says:
" I like buying sweets and crisps at the shop."



Want to try out Volunteering?

We provide badges with the shop logo for all shop volunteers.

Why not come along and spend a couple of hours with one of the other volunteers to see where you could help.

We currently need volunteers to help with the following:

- A till operator to take on the 11 am to 1pm slot every Friday morning.
- During the summer months- people to join the bank of volunteers willing to help out when a regular volunteer is away.
- Someone to join the newspaper team on a Tuesday morning, from 6am, or on an alternative weekday.
- Saturday Morning opening and baking –a few more volunteers to help cover for holiday periods once every three or four weeks.

If you would like to know more about volunteering, please contact the shop (863191) or email: appletonshop@gmail.com

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D-Day - local history

In a far corner of a foreign field an American soldier awoke to learn of the D-Day invasion. This was at 7:30 on the 4th June 1944.

This foreign field was just east of Besselsleigh Woods – near Besselsleigh School. It was filled with American soldiers – encamped there in preparation for the Normandy invasion.

The soldier decided to leave his mark. He carved the time, date, his name and address, in the smooth bark of a beech tree. I got to know about this carving in 2009. It was then 65 years old and wearing badly; the tree was about 130 years old.

What I could read was the time and date – above - and his name Bob Heusch. His hometown - Toledo in Ohio. His street address was 752 ? Avenue – but the exact name was not clear – maybe “Suder”.

He was probably in the American forces that landed on Omaha or Utah beaches – or parachuted inshore on the 6th of June. The initial invasion force was of 150,000 soldiers – with fatalities of some 5,000 – mostly American.

I have tried to find Bob Heusch and such a man was in the US electoral listing; I talked to him but he wasn't our man.

We owe an overwhelming debt to Bob Heusch and his comrades in helping to bring World War II to an end.

His tree still stands – it is about 150yds south of the footpath out of Besselsleigh Wood – near a small stone shed.

*John EVANS
for AwEHG*

Universal Credit being used in new scam – Citizens Advice

Universal Credit has well and truly arrived - but now scammers are using the benefit as a pivotal part of a new sting to target vulnerable people.

Citizens Advice says scammers are offering loans to their victims and then using their personal banking details to apply for Universal Credit in their names.

The scam is usually carried out by telephone, so do not accept a loan if you have been contacted by cold calling. If you are contacted in this way, just hang up. In general, personal details should not be divulged on the telephone or in an email.

The Universal Credit scam is also being carried out in public places. As victims leave job centres and pubs, they are approached by smartly dressed people claiming to be from the Department of Work and Pensions, who then offer "government loans". Instead, the victim is signed up for Universal Credit. The scammers then apply for an advance payment of the benefit. This payment goes to the victim's bank account but the scammers then charge a huge fee, around 50 per cent, for this unnecessary "service".

Citizens Advice has its own free service to help those applying for Universal Credit for the first time. "Help to Claim" is available over the telephone, face to face, and online through "webchat" and Internet content.

The national Freephone number for Help to Claim is **0800 144 8444**. Telephone and webchat services are available from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. (Monday-Friday)

For any other issues you might need help with, telephone Citizens Advice Adviceline on 03 444 111 444 or come and see us in person. For locations of offices and opening hours see www.citizensadvice.org.uk/local/oxfordshire-south-vale

News from the Appleton with Eaton Parish Council

Visit from Layla Moran, MP

Layla Moran, MP will be holding a drop-in advice surgery for constituents in Appleton on Friday the 26th July at 3:30pm in the Plough. The surgery will consist of 10 minute slots on a first-come, first-served basis. At this stage, we do not know how long Layla will be available for. All are welcome!

Councillor Vacancy

Have you ever thought of becoming a Parish Councillor? Do you care about what happens in our villages? Would you be happy to represent your parish in making decisions for the benefit of the entire Parish? If so, we need you! The Parish Council has a vacancy for one more Parish Councillor.

If you want to know more, please feel free to contact the Clerk.

Allison Leigh, Parish Clerk

01865 865 876 / parishclerk.appletonwitheaton@gmail.com

Solo Ladies

Anyone who is alone is very welcome to join us at our monthly luncheon.

Our July lunch will be held on Thursday 25th July, venue to be advised.

If you would like any information please contact:

Carol on 863759

(carolbateman59@gmail.com)

Barbara on 863262

(barbara.kimsey@outlook.com)

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Mary Carey

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Sunday 14th 10 am Invitation Service

Sunday 21st 10 am Communion Service (CW)
 6 pm Evensong

Sunday 28th 10 am Communion Service (CW)

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For up-to-date information on Sunday services & other events, please refer to the Calendar pages of the Church website:
www.stlaurenceappleton.org

(BCP) Book of Common Prayer (CW) Common Worship

