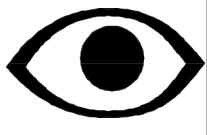




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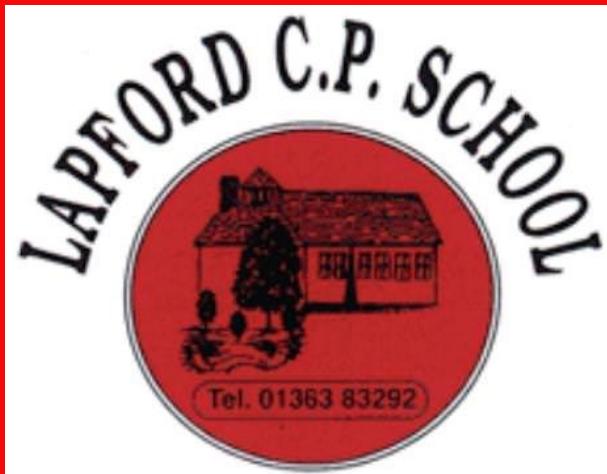
YOUR LOCAL MONTHLY NEWSLETTER



Year 30 Issue 1

January 2026

A CHANGING YEAR AND A CHANGING SCHOOL



We would love you to come and celebrate the launch of
St Thomas of Canterbury CE Primary School, Lapford
Friday 9th January 2026

9.45am- Church service in
St Thomas of Canterbury Church, Lapford

10.30am- Procession from church to the school
with the children

Followed by cutting of ribbon/blessing of school/hot chocolate
11.30am Finish



CURIOSITY LOVE BRAVERY COMMUNITY RESILIENCE



LAPFORD COMMUNITY PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS



It really has been an incredibly busy half term at Lapford Community Primary School with many exciting learning opportunities for the children and a huge amount of preparation under way for our exciting relaunch as St Thomas of Canterbury CE Primary School, Lapford, after Christmas.



Herons' Exeter Energy From Waste Centre Trip

At the beginning of the month, Herons enjoyed a visit to the Exeter Energy from Waste Centre, where they had a fantastic time learning more about how we can reduce, reuse and recycle waste to create new energy and products. The day began with a tour of the impressive facility, which takes over 8 tonnes of black bin waste every hour to convert into energy for over 6,500 homes across Exeter and Mid Devon. That most likely includes our own Lapford waste being used to power the school! The children were polite, supportive and collaborative across the day and praised highly by the recycle centre staff and members of the public for their positivity and manners.



Kingfishers' Northcott Theatre Trip

Kingfishers set off for their first trip of the year to the Northcott Theatre to enjoy a show by the Children's Book show. During the performance Alom Shaha, author of How to Find a Rainbow, shared his story with the children and conducted some exciting science experiments live on stage. At the end of the show, every child was gifted a copy of Alom's book. As we have come to expect, all the children behaved fantastically and represented the school with pride, curiosity and enthusiasm throughout the whole visit. Their engagement and impeccable conduct made the day a real pleasure for everyone involved.

Robins' and Kingfishers' Nativity

Christmas certainly took hold over the last couple of weeks of term and the children in all classes were busy preparing for their Christmas performances. This year Robins and Kingfishers came together to put on a production of 'Hey Ewe' which is a modern retelling of the Christmas story from the point of view of a curious sheep who senses something special is happening! They blew me away with their fantastic singing and performing and their performance really gave us that warm, festive feeling that makes the time of year so magical. The enthusiasm and confidence they brought to the stage was truly infectious, and it was wonderful to see them supporting one another as they rehearsed. We couldn't wait to welcome families and friends to share in the joy of their hard work and to celebrate the start of the Christmas season together.

Mrs J. Wright, Head of School



The past, the present, and the future walked into a bar.
It was tense.

LAPFORD PARISH COUNCIL

There are no notes from the December meeting as it took place after this issue had been finalised. We hope to bring you up to date with both the December and January meetings in the February Lapford Lookout.

FROM THE ARCHIVE

Thank you to all the villagers past and present who have given memorabilia of village life to us over 2025. They will be cared for as important pieces of historical value, remaining in the Archive and accessible for anyone who wishes to learn about our village.



We are open every Tuesday morning
from 10.00a.m. to 13.00p.m.

Or email : archivelapford2022@gmail.com
Or if you leave a message on 01363 779462
Your call will be returned.

In 2026 we look forward to more Lapford bits and pieces finding a home in the Archive.

From the team HAPPY NEW YEAR.

LADIES OF LAPFORD MEETINGS (LOL)



Please come and join us in The ARK at 7.30p.m.

Thursday January 15th 2026
Games Evening

Thursday 19th February
(will be a joint meeting with the Gardening Club)

Sue and Jaine will be talking about
A Year Beginning with a B

We always welcome new members.
Come and join us!

LYPFT CAR BOOT SALE

Despite the inclement weather the Indoor Car Boot Sale, hosted by Lapford Youth Playing Field Trust, raised an amazing £178 for their funds. We would like to thank everyone who came to support us - we had 13 stalls, so it was a full Hall and the kitchen was also busy serving breakfast butties and croissants.

We aim to hold more fundraising events in 2026, so watch this space - we will be advertising them in the Lapford Lookout.



DATES TO LOOKOUT FOR

January 2026

- 6th The ARK reopens after the Christmas break
- 9th The ARK is closed
- 9th School renaming day
- 10th Men's Breakfast, The ARK, 9.00-10.30am
- 13th Lapford Parish Council, Orchard Centre, 7.30pm
- 13th Lapford Gardening Club, Quiz Evening and Financial Review, The ARK, 7.30pm
- 14th Copy deadline for February Lapford Lookout, 6pm
- 15th Ladies of Lapford Games Night

February 2026

- 10th Lapford Parish Council, Orchard Centre, 7.30pm
- 14th Copy deadline for March Lapford Lookout, 6pm
- 19th Ladies of Lapford joint meeting with Gardening Club

Future Dates

- 10th Mar Lapford Parish Council, Orchard Centre, 7.30pm
- 14th Apr Lapford Parish Council, Orchard Centre, 7.30pm
- 12th May Lapford Parish Council, Orchard Centre, 7.30pm
- 10-12th July Lapford Revel 2026
- 5th Sept Gardening Club Annual Show 2026
- 23rd Nov Lapford Project 2000 AGM, Orchard Centre.

Please send your Dates to Lookout For to
lapfordlookout@gmail.com



Lapford Weather Review

Lapford Weather November 2025

Milder and wetter than average.

The warmest day was the 6th with a maximum of 17.6°C, a new record for November, and the coolest was the 20th with a maximum of just 5.7°C. The coldest night was on the 21st with a minimum of -3.3°C. and a grass temperature of -8.7°C, which should have given any tender plants something to think about!

Total rainfall was 129.9 mm. The wettest day was the 11th with 25.7 mm.

The windiest day was the 23rd with a gust of 39 m.p.h.

This autumn has been milder and wetter than average, which is why the grass has kept growing.

Andy Epstein



My New Year's resolution is to procrastinate. I'll start tomorrow



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Services:

Sunday 4th January -	Christmas 2 10.30 a.m. CHURCHES TOGETHER NEW YEAR SERVICE - in the Victory Hall with refreshments from 9.30 a.m.
Sunday 11th January -	Baptism of Christ 9.30 a.m. Lay Led Morning Prayer
Wednesday 14th January -	10.30 a.m. BCP Holy Communion (1662)
Sunday 18th January -	Epiphany 2 9.30 a.m. Lay Led Morning Prayer
Sunday 25th January -	Conversion of St Paul 10.30 a.m. Common Worship Eucharist



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Services:

Services Sunday at 11.00 a.m.

Communion will be held on the second and fourth Sundays

Preachers for this month:

4th No Service - Joint churches together service at Lapford Community Church

11th All age service (Deacon led)

18th Merril Archer

25th No service

LAPFORD COMMUNITY CHURCH

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Services:

The Church meets every Sunday morning at 10.30 a.m. in the Victory Hall with refreshments served from 10.00 a.m.

Connect Groups meet during the week at either 7.00 p.m. or 7.30 p.m.

Please visit our website for information about the Foodbank and The ARK. Our website will also give you more information about other Church activities.

FOOTSTEPS

One night I dreamed a dream.
As I was walking along the beach with my Lord.
Across the dark sky flashed scenes from my life.
For each scene, I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand,
One belonging to me and one to my Lord.
After the last scene of my life flashed before me,
I looked back at the footprints in the sand.
I noticed that at many times along the path of my life,
especially at the very lowest and saddest times,
there was only one set of footprints.
This really troubled me, so I asked the Lord about it.
"Lord, you said once I decided to follow you,
You'd walk with me all the way.
But I noticed that during the saddest and
most troublesome times of my life,
there was only one set of footprints.
I don't understand why, when I needed You the most,
You would leave me."
He whispered, "My precious child, I love you
and will never leave you
Never, ever, during your trials and testings.
When you saw only one set of footprints,
It was then that I carried you."

Author unknown

REPORTING PROBLEMS REGARDING ROADS AND SERVICES

Please report problems if you come across them. The DCC website in particular will indicate if the problem e.g. a pothole has been reported already. Public services do rely a great deal on reports from the public highlighting issues and potentially dangerous situations.

Highways issues including potholes, flooding, blocked drains, signage, overhanging/fallen trees, debris on the road, streetlights not working and other problems Google **Roads and Transport Devon County Council** and follow the **Report a Problem link**, or go straight to www.devon.gov.uk/roads-and-transport For urgent issues phone 1345 155 1004.

Environmental concerns including sewage discharges, serious pollution, riverbank breaches, river flooding contact the **Environment Agency** on 0800 80 70 60

Leaks from water mains, sewerage issues, water supply problems Google **South West Water** and open the **Report a Problem page**, or go straight to www.southwestwater.co.uk For urgent issues call the 24 hour helpline on 0344 346 2020.

Fly-tipping, rubbish collections, planning matters and other non-urgent local issues contact **Mid Devon District Council Customer Services** on 01884 255 255 or go to www.middevon.gov.uk and click on **My Mid Devon**.

Note that the current level of the River Yeo at Lapford can be checked at www.check-for-flooding.service.gov.uk/Station/3098

Lapford Emergency Action Plan Team, Lapford Parish Council

GOLDFINCHES

Sometimes goldfinches one by one will drop
From low-hung branches; little space they stop;
But sip, and twitter, and their feathers sleek;
Then off at once, as in a wanton freak:
Or perhaps, to show their black and golden wings,
Pausing upon their yellow flutterings.

John Keats
(31.10.1795-23.2.1821)



LAPFORD BOOK CLUB - BOOK REVIEW

Never Shaken, Never Stirred

by Christopher Reindorf

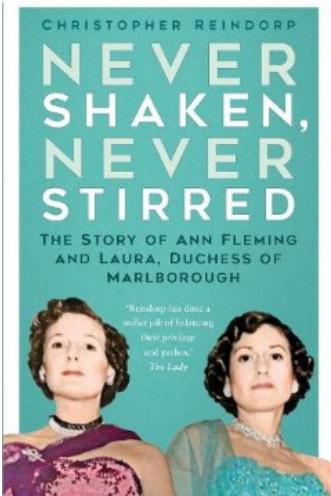
I soldiered through this book with an appalled fascination rather than with any high degree of interest. It tells the stories of two sisters, Ann and Laura Charteris, who were born into a wealthy and aristocratic society family in the early days of the twentieth century. At a time when well born ladies had no career other than to marry well the two sisters did precisely that, working their way through numerous marriages and illicit relationships until Ann married Ian Fleming, the creator of James Bond, with whom she had her longest relationship, living in an open marriage until his death. Laura eventually married the Duke of Marlborough, a marriage that lasted just six weeks before the Duke died. Laura then continued on her path through yet more relationships but hung onto her Dowager Duchess title for grim death.

The author had obviously done a great deal of research before writing, but his almost obsessional litanies of the pedigrees of so many of those about whom he writes has a dragging effect on the flow of the book, and could have been better served by a series of family trees in an appendix which the reader could consult if needed. Similarly, with the chronological jumping about it is difficult to follow the thread of the book.

The interviews done with family members of the two sisters leaves one with the impression of two rather louche and unlovable characters who lavished their charms exclusively to seduce and entrap rather than on their nearest and dearest. One wonders how the two sweet little girls in the photo in the book, given all their wealth and privilege, turned into such self-centred and cold people. It is possible, however, that this impression is given by the clinical and detached way in which the author writes about the sisters.

These views were not shared by all of the Book Club members, some of whom enjoyed the subject matter and found reading about Ian Fleming interesting, but I wouldn't recommend it unless you are seriously bored or interested in the love-lives of the upper-crust.

Prue Lambert



LASTING POWER OF ATTORNEY

Making a Lasting Power of Attorney (LPA) is not just for older people! Anyone can appoint an LPA; it means nominating a trusted friend or relative to act on your behalf and manage your finances, care or medical treatment if you should ever lose mental capacity either because of illness or due to an accident.



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The kinds of illness that may prevent you from making decisions for yourself include dementia, mental health problems, a brain injury, alcohol or drug misuse or the side effects of medical treatment. Setting up an LPA doesn't mean that you are expecting anything to happen but it's something you may want to do in case something happens in the future.

There are two types of LPA; property and financial affairs whereby you give authority to someone to manage and make decisions about things like buying and selling property, bank, building society and other financial accounts, welfare benefits and debt. The health and welfare LPA gives someone the authority to deal with and make decisions about things like where you live, your day-to-day care and your healthcare treatment. With both types of LPA you can choose to give authority to handle all or just specified areas of authority.

You can make an LPA either online at Welcome to GOV.UK or by downloading the forms. There is a different form for each type of LPA and if you want to appoint someone to cover both you will need both forms. You then register them with the Office of the Public Guardian and you will need to send a registration fee with the forms. The Public Guardian then registers the LPA which can take up to twenty weeks. They then notify you and your attorneys at which point the LPA can be used.

You don't have to be a legal expert to be a volunteer adviser at CA TNMWD as full training and ongoing guidance is given. It is very interesting and varied work and demand for our services is increasing. If you can give one day a week to help us support people in our local communities who need our help and advice, please do get in touch.

Email recruitment@citizensadvicetnmwd.org.uk we'd love to hear from you!

LAPFORD GARDENING CLUB



We always like to make some foliage based Christmas decorations at our December meetings and this year was no exception. Sandra Munday and Ron Harle produced a vast array of material and guided us in making a variety of decorations.

Slabs of ash provided by David Bragg made a beautiful base for a table decoration; wisteria stems were wound into circles and covered with ivy to make hanging garlands or wreaths, and pine cones were decorated to make hanging ornaments. Creativity abounded aided by mulled wine and mince pies.



NEXT MEETING
Tuesday 13th January
7.30 p.m. at The ARK
Quiz Evening & Financial Review

A gentle reminder to members that the subscriptions for 2026 are now due.

Subscriptions (£20) can be paid in cash at the next meeting or by BACS (email trisha@mumfordj.plus.com for bank details).

New members always welcome

CREDITON ARTS CENTRE JANUARY 2026

All events start at 7.30p.m. and full details can be found on our website www.creditonartscentre.org or from our termly publication found in many local stores.

8 January	Music & Food: Jazz on the Green
9 January	Film: German Expressionist Double bill
16 January	Theatre: Fagin's Last Hour
23-24 January	Theatre: So Many Words
29 January	Film: Last Thursday Picture Show

THE ARK

We hope you all had a wonderful Christmas, and we wish you a Happy New Year from everyone at the ARK.



We have seen an increase in community groups using The ARK, which is great to see and we hope that it continues. As always we kindly ask that all users leave the space as they found it. Thank you for your support.

During December we featured a beautiful display inspired by 'The Twelve Days of Christmas'. Each piece was wonderfully individual and creative. Thank you to all those that played a part for all their hard work. Also a continuous thank you to all the volunteers and helpers involved in The ARK and to all those who come and spend time at the cafe.

Please note that we will be closed on Friday the 9th January.

The ARK Ladies

LAPFORD FOODBANK UPDATE

The Foodbank continues to be blessed by many local food donors who give regularly with extraordinary generosity, thank you to everyone who continues to contribute. Your contributions are much appreciated.



Also huge thanks to our fellow churches in Lapford who support the Foodbank in many different ways. We are so grateful.

The Crediton Foodbank has been incredibly helpful over the past two months and this December donated some of their supermarket donations to us. Thank you to Helen, Wendy and all the team there for all the support.

Finally, please do spare a thought for those who may be struggling this Christmas and New Year - the smallest of gifts goes a long way.

Happy New Year Everyone! Let's make it a resolution to continue to spread the love we have for our community and to help those in need!

God bless,

Sue

LADIES MAKE A START ON CHRISTMAS

We anticipated a large group for our November evening. No doubt the word was out that Beccy had, once again, agreed to provide us with a craft evening. She was at the door in good time staggering in with armfuls of colourful material and boxes of kit. We busied ourselves preparing the room. As before Beccy had prepared individual packs containing everything that would be needed to make some lovely tree decorations. She must put a lot of work into getting these packs ready and it makes a huge difference. There is no confusion over what is needed and no time wasted, while people mill about trying to gather what is required.



She showed us some examples of what could be made and demonstrated what we needed to do. People were invited to choose their materials from the mound she had supplied and then the work began. The room was soon full of activity and chatter. Beccy moved around the tables offering help and gradually baubles began to appear. The variety was impressive as people developed their own ideas alongside the suggestions Beccy had offered. It reminded me of the days when my children were small and we made tree decorations together. Admittedly the standard was considerably higher than the gluey lopsided tree hangings my family proudly produced but the spirit was the same. There was that sense of satisfaction about having created something yourself that was unique.

Refreshments were served amongst all the craft materials on the tables which was a bit risky but necessary as the crafters were much too involved to stop and make space. We had the same problem as last time Beccy came which was how to persuade people to stop being creative and go home. Eventually people realised it was getting late and they began to collect what they needed so that they could finish their work at home. I don't think anyone managed to complete a bauble. Some people were joking about the need to start early if you were going to make enough to cover a tree but I'm sure they could be produced quickly with a bit more practice. I expect Beccy knocks them up in no time!

We were very grateful to Beccy for all her hard work which resulted in a very enjoyable and creative evening. No doubt there will be a few Christmas trees around Lapford displaying evidence of another new skill learnt with her help.

Sue Raffill



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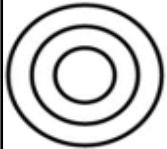


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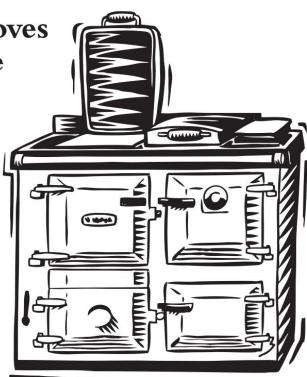
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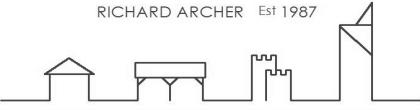
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Key changes:

- Unlimited fines for livestock worrying.
- More animals protected, including alpacas and llamas.
- Law now applies in fields, enclosures, roads and public rights of way.
- Police can seize dogs, enter premises with a warrant and collect forensic evidence.

What counts as livestock worrying?

- ◆ It's not just attacking or biting. Worrying includes:
- ◆ Chasing, running at, harassing or scaring livestock.
- ◆ A dog being loose among animals and not fully under control.
- ◆ No physical contact needed — stress alone can cause miscarriages, injuries or panic.

Proper control – what it really means:

- * A dog is only under proper control if the handler can prevent it from approaching or chasing livestock at all times.
- * Leads must be short and secure.
- * Flexi leads + long lines often don't meet the standard. Off-lead control must be instant and reliable — hesitation or running towards livestock means it's not under proper control.

Dog seizures:

Dogs are not automatically destroyed. Seizure is usually for evidence or to prevent repeat incidents. Destruction orders are rare.

Remember:

Livestock don't need to be bitten for an offence. "Friendly" or "never done it before" is not a defence. Walkers are responsible for preventing risk, not reacting after it happens. These laws protect farmers and animals — please share to help prevent future incidents.

LAPFORD CHRISTMAS 150 YEARS AGO: A NEAR CHRISTMAS TRAGEDY

It was 4.39 a.m. on Christmas morning, 1875, that the stillness of the silent night air was broken by the prolonged screeching and grinding of heavy metal. A train approaching Lapford had hit a landslide just south of Bury Bridge where the A377 crosses the River Yeo as it enters Lapford parish.

It may seem surprising that any train should be stopping at Lapford at this time on Christmas Day, let alone a monster train of 23 vehicles, half a kilometre long with three guards and over 60 passengers. However, these were the times of 6-days-a-week labour when holy days offered a narrow window of escape. The Christmas night service from Waterloo to Bideford provided a rare opportunity to see West Country family and friends.

It was a dark morning and the impact with the landslide came without any warning. The guard at the rear of the train had no opportunity to apply the brakes in his van, but the train driver did manage to shut off steam and place engines into reverse before jumping from the footplate.

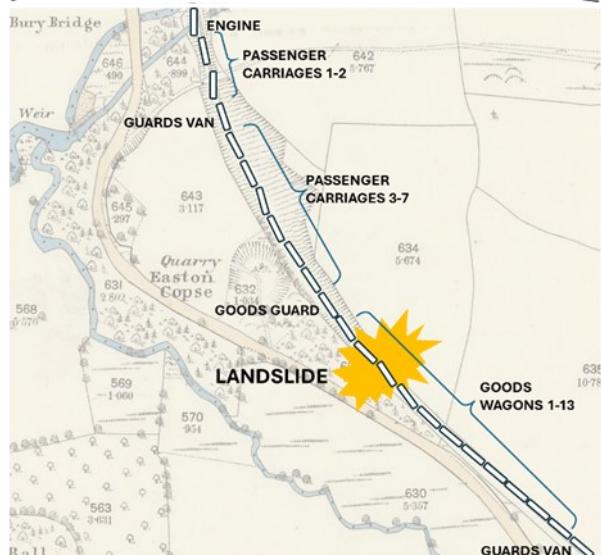
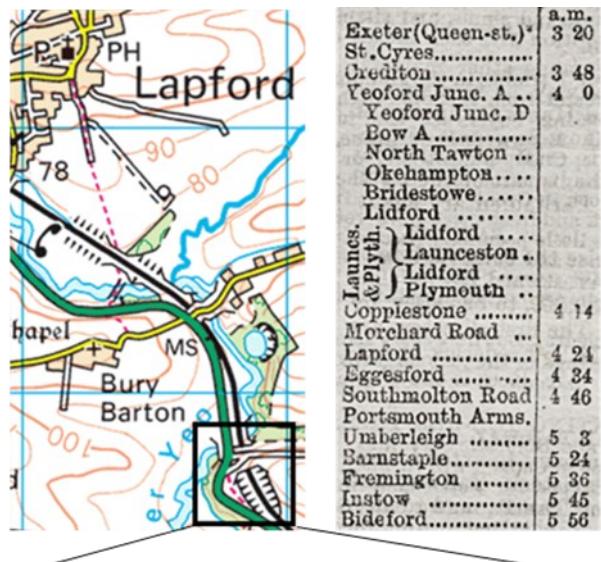
The sheer size of the train gave it great momentum, and the buckling and concertinaing of carriages and wagons continued for some distance along the track. The train, its tender and 15 of the vehicles being pulled were derailed including all passenger carriages.

The accident nearly brought tragedy. The line, as it went round Cornbury Hill, was on a steep embankment above a quarry before dropping down to the crossing of River Yeo and Lapford Mill leat. The engine finally stopped in a precarious position on the narrow river crossing and it was a matter of sheer fortune that it did not pull carriages down the embankment towards the quarry and river below, with almost certain loss of life. One factor that probably saved the fate of passengers was the disagreement between competing railway companies concerning the gauge of the line resulting in the line being both narrow and broad gauge. As the LWSR train left its narrow-gauge track, the rolling of the train down the steep embankment may have been prevented by the outer rails of its competitor!

The railway telegraph enabled help to be summoned, and rescue teams arrived by daybreak from both Barnstaple and Exeter. It is almost certain that Lapford villagers put aside their family celebrations and, in the season of goodwill, assisted in the rescue efforts that lasted most of the day.

David Garton

(Sources: Rail accident report, National Archives, Kew; North Devon Herald, 30 Dec, 1875)



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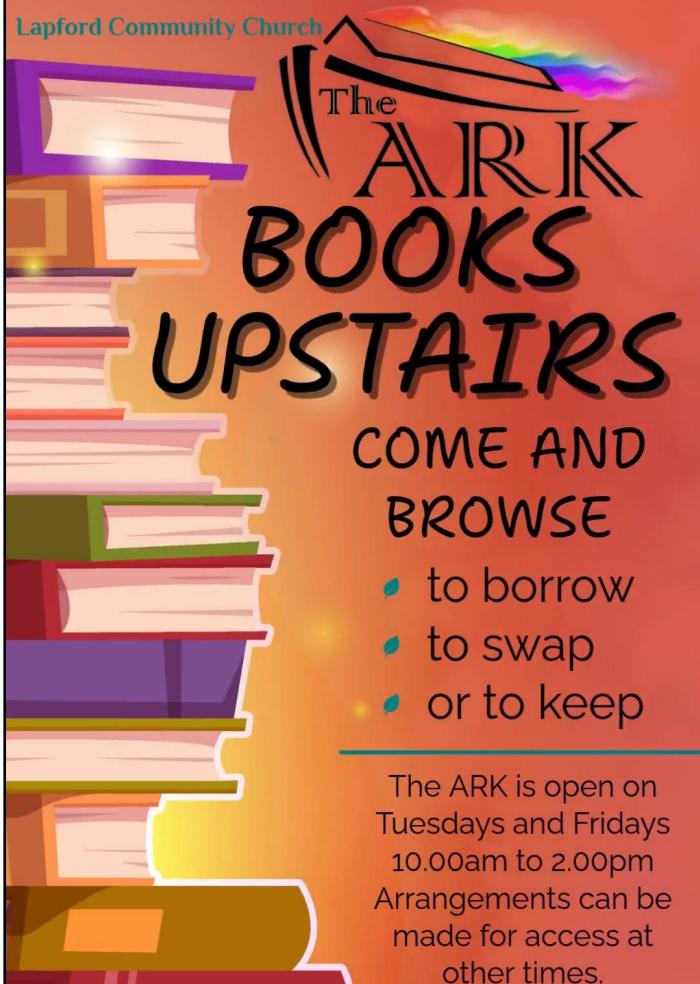
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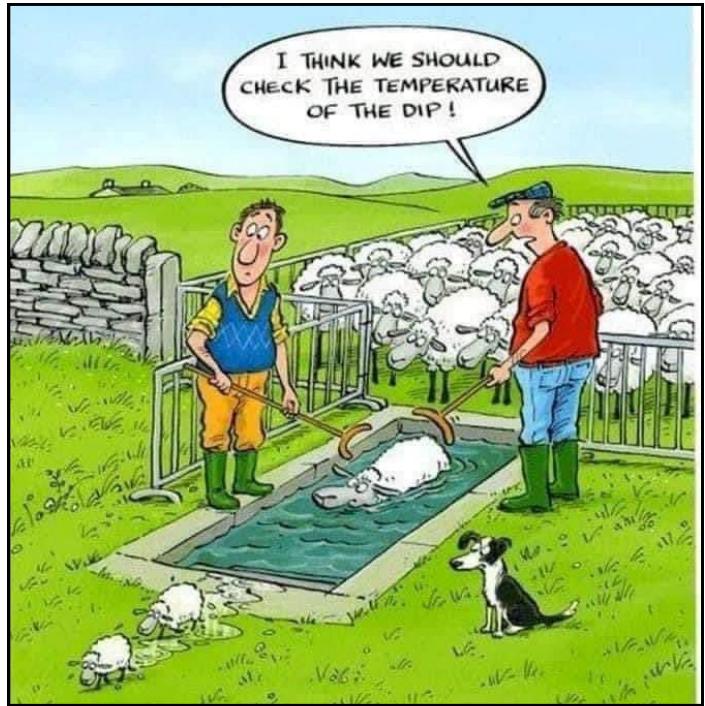
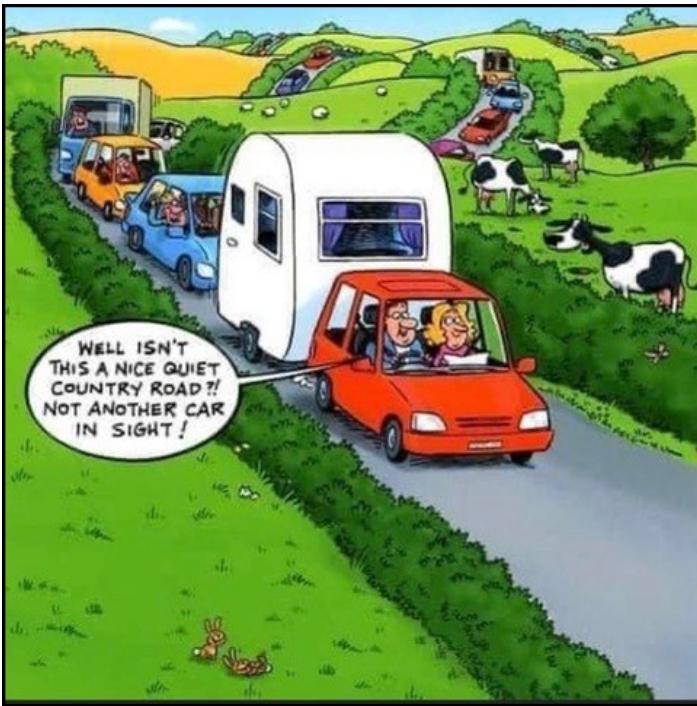


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THE ARK TWELVE DAYS OF CHRISTMAS DISPLAY

A huge thank you to the people who came along to the workshops in November to create such a wonderful display for Christmas. What a diversity of artistic talent we have in our village!

Some of the artists at work.



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