

Kingston Parish Newsletter

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TWENTY IS
PLENTY



20mph INJURES
30 KILLS

Time really does fly past, it seems no time at all since the Reading Room Committee organised the Kingston Fun Day every year. The last one was held in the Pub car park in August 2010. Kingston Events Group was then formed and took over the organisation of the Fun Day with their first event being held on the playing field in 2011. This year sees the 10th anniversary of the event since KEG took over (a little late due to the pandemic resulting in normal life to go on hold for a couple of years). We thank the members of KEG for all they have done since they were formed in maintaining the many activities over the years for the benefit of our community.

Please also keep a note in your diaries so that you do not miss the traditional Garden Party to be held at Scobbiscombe House Garden on 27th August: this should be a good occasion to dust off your blazers and bonnets and even have a go on the Croquet field.

Yet another annual event takes place on the 20th August with the Open Produce Show opening its doors. I am sure many of you are well advanced in preparing your entries to ensure another successful show.

Hasn't Viv done well with his fund raising for the Hope Cove life boat: picture in this issue of his presentation of £1135 to such a good cause. Congratulations Viv.

David

FREE ENTRY

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10TH ANNIVERSARY

SAT 6TH AUG

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GRAND DRAW | DOG SHOW | FACE PAINTING
TUG OF WAR | BOUNCY CASTLES | SILENT DISCO

KINGSTON RECREATION GROUND, TQ7 4QD
1PM 'TIL LATE

PARISH CHURCH FLOWER ROTA



2022

July 17th-24th	Janet Gilbreath
July 31st-Aug 7th	Ruth Jarvis
Aug 14th-21st	Jeanne Curtis
Aug 28th-Sept 4th	Jennie Stanley
Sept 11th-18th	Margaret Birch
Sept 25th-Oct 2nd	Janet Gilbreath
Oct 9th-16th	Harvest- All
Oct 23rd- 30th	Margaret Kelly
Nov 6th-13th	Carole Walters
Nov 20th- 27th	Caroline Thomas
Dec 4th- 11th	Vanessa Walker
Dec 18th-25th	Christmas- All

KINGSTON READING ROOM 200 CLUB

The numbers drawn in the June 2022 draw are as follows:

49	Jim Dewar	£25
78	Nick Wilson	£20
68	Bob Gilbreath	£20
19	Michael Jarvis	£10

Owen & Elaine Roberts
1, Overlangs, Kingston

TUESDAY MARKET TEA/COFFEE ROTA



2022

July 26 th	Karen/Lesley
Aug. 2 nd	Gina/Joan
Aug. 9 th	Joan/Vanessa
Aug 16 th	Cynthea/Geoff
Aug. 23 rd	Kit/Penny
Aug. 30 th	Jeanette/Margaret
Sept. 6 th	Anne/Elaine
Sept. 13 th	Jacky/Deidre
Sept. 20 th	Pauline/Sally
Sept. 27 th	Ann/John
Oct. 4 th	Jeeva/Lesley
Oct. 11 th	Gina/Joan
Oct 18 th	Joan/Vanessa
Oct. 25 th	Cynthia/Geoff
Nov. 1 st	Kit/Penny
Nov 8 th	Jeanette/Margaret
Nov 15 th	Anne/Elaine
Nov 22 nd	Jacky/Deidre
Nov 29 th	Pauline/Sally
Dec 6 th	Ann/John
Dec 13 th	Jeeva/Lesley (last of the year).

MOBILE LIBRARY

The mobile library visits the village every 4th Tuesday at the Fire station from 11 am to 11.30 am

2022

Aug. 2 nd	Aug. 30 th	Sept. 27 th
Oct 25 th	Nov. 22 nd	

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Editor



GARDEN PARTY
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2 pm - 5 pm
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Tickets £5
Available from Tuesday Morning Market
and from Don 810358 or Colin 810823

Cream Teas
Cucumber Sandwiches
Cakes
Croquet

Pimms & Wine
(available for donations)

Summer Frocks & Blazers welcome
Surplus to the Friends of St James the Less



COVID-19 vaccinations available this summer

Children aged five to 11 years old are eligible for a COVID-19 vaccination and there are lots of opportunities to get vaccinated this summer. Some of this age group who have already been vaccinated will now be due for their second dose.

Vaccinating children can effectively prevent the worst effects of COVID-19, including against severe illness such as long COVID.

Bookings can be made [online](#) or by calling 119. Alternatively, there are plenty of walk-in clinics during the school holidays that are advertised [on NHS England's site finder](#) and on our social media channels.

The government has published [a vaccination guide for parents of children aged five to 11 years old, online](#).

It's also not too late for others who haven't yet had their jabs, including older brothers and sisters, and mums and dads.

Vaccinations are available to any eligible person over the age of five, including anyone not registered with a GP practice. Vaccination is the most effective way to prevent falling seriously ill with COVID-19.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

(Also see Parish WEB site for further details
Morning Market every Tuesday 10 a.m. till noon
2022

Aug 6th 1pm Kingston Fun Day. Kingston Recreation Ground
Aug 20th Kingston Open Produce Show Reading Room.
Public viewing from 15.00 hrs
Aug 27th 2 – 5pm Friends of St James the Less Garden Party
Scobbiscombe House Garden
Sept. 24th 7.30pm Flicks in the Sticks will return



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Photo by Karen Freeman

Viv handing over £1135. To Hope Cove lifeboat collected from veg sales, kindling and the Jubilee wheelbarrow race. Thanks to all concerned Dolphin Inn, John Tucker, Dave Cripps, Jean Curtis and customers

KINGSTON PRODUCE SHOW

Tis fast approaching... don't forget to submit your entry forms to produceinkingston@btinternet.com or post them at Dolphin Lodge.

The dreadful growing conditions mean that we should probably have a 'most shrivelled vegetable' class but the other classes should be fine.

If the 2019 winners, yes 3 years ago, return their cups to us by August 6th we will have time to prepare.

Just in case you have forgotten the cup holders are:

Hannah Walters, cookery.

Carole Walters, preserves.

Adrian Lewis & Chris McEvoy, vegetables.

Jennie Stanley, flowers.

Kit Connor, flower arranging

Anita Ellis, crafts

Hayley Jones photograph.

The Young Persons (they were at the time)

5 and under HMB cup Alexa, Ali & Adrian's granddaughter

6-8 Percy Cup Ava, Hayley's daughter

9-12 Toby Cup Martha Richards (via Lorraine's Brownie pack)

Best in Show Stuart Mcfarlane

Starting again

Yoga classes

Kingston Reading Room

Gentle/Beginners 10 – 11-15 am

Fitness/Some experience 11.30 – 12.45 am

Thursdays Blocks of 5 sessions £30

Drop Ins £10

Starting Oct 6th Nov 10th Jan 12th Feb 26th

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07922173343/01548810306

Reflexology, kinesiology, yoga therapy
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User Groups in Kingston Welcome meeting 31.8.2022 @ 8pm

The Friends of St James the Less are a group of Villagers, some church-goers and many not, who value the Church building and graveyard as being of historical significance for our Village and who therefore wish to see it maintained. Membership is currently only 20 pounds per annum per individual. There are a number of Village fund-raising events each year organised by the Friends and at least one social occasion, usually a winter dinner, restricted to the Friends' membership. The Friends' funds may only be used on the maintenance of the Churchyard and the fabric of the Church itself. More information is available from Don Kelly [810358]- Chairman of the Friends Steering Group.

Tuesday Morning Market.

10am to 12 noon every Tuesday morning.
Meeting place for all ages.

Refreshments, fresh cakes, locally made jams and chutneys, cards, organic soaps, wood work, Jewellery, melts, books and lots more.

St James the Less Parish Church, Kingston is one of 5 churches in the Modbury Benefice. The Church building and Churchyard, which includes Kingston War Memorial, are open from dawn until dusk every day of the year. All are welcome to Church services held on the first 4 Sundays of the month. These normally start at 9.30am, except for Holy Communion which starts at 11am on the third Sunday of the month. For details of services see the noticeboards on the wall outside the Church gate. The Church runs a series of community events during the year and in 2021 raised £3423 for a range of charities as well as meeting church maintenance costs. Kingston Church is around 600 years old and a Grade 2* listed building. There is a box for items

for Kingsbridge Foodbank inside the Church. The Churchyard is still open for burials for parish residents and those with strong local connections. It is being slowly developed as a "living Churchyard" to encourage biodiversity.

See www.modburyteam.org and www.kingstonparishcouncil.co.uk for further information and a history of the Church.

Contact our vicar Revd. Matt Rowland

01548 830260/ matt.rowland@modburyteam.org and /or Kingston Church Wardens Brian Alloway

810692/ bj6devon@gmail.com and Robert Beard 810500 for any information and help on Church related matters.

Kingston Short Mat Bowls Club

Contacts: Adrian Woods 01548 830209++++

Short-mat bowls is played in village halls and community centres throughout the UK. There are many clubs in Devon and the South Hams has a thriving and very active association. There are three divisions in the South Hams League and Kingston is in the 2nd Division.

As it takes place indoors, bowls is played all year round, with League matches being held between October and March. In addition to the League matches, there are various cup competitions, tournaments, etc. we enter. Clubs whose halls are large enough hold tournaments throughout the year and the proceeds are given to charity.

At Kingston we play in the Reading Room, in the centre of the village, on Mondays and Fridays, commencing at 19.00h. New members are always welcome. There are bowls for you to use. All you have to do is turn up and if you enjoy it you can become a member, which costs £10 p.a. and £2 per evening, including refreshments. Short-mat bowls is a friendly game. Come along and join us.



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**New mobile library connects rural communities in the South Hams and West Devon
Libraries Unlimited upgrades its mobile fleet**



A new mobile library bringing books to rural communities has launched this year. Libraries Unlimited bought the vehicle with the help of Devon County Council and launched a successful fundraising campaign to refurbish it. Now the mobile library will make 80 stops around the South Hams and West Devon each week, joining the four others in the Libraries Unlimited fleet. The vehicle hit the road this March, and now travels over 800 miles every month.

Heidi McCoy, Mobile Library Assistant who drives the van said: "Mobile libraries were always important, but the pandemic has shown how vital a connection they are to so many people. The library connects small villages and hamlets across the South Hams, skirts around Plymouth, travels across Dartmoor into West Devon and makes two stops in Teignbridge too.

"We bring 2,000 books for people to browse or order, including large print and audio books. Just as importantly, our mobile library will bring a smile, a chat, a chance to talk to other local people, and contact with the wider world in Devon and beyond. Many of the villages we visit have no public transport, so regular visits to our library buildings

could be impossible for many. It is much more than a book delivery van though. The mobile library is an educational, social, wellbeing, and cultural service."

The new mobile library has replaced a much-loved vehicle nicknamed Gertie, following many thousands of miles service in the area. Last year customers borrowed over 11,300 books from Gertie.

The replacement vehicle is only six years old and was bought second hand with a £15,000 grant from Devon County Council – a tenth of the cost of a brand-new vehicle. A similar amount was raised by fundraising to kit it out and put new paintwork and signage on the outside. Fundraising has been a community effort.

With only 29,000 miles on the clock, it is expected to give many years of service to the community.

Councillor Roger Croad, Devon County Council's Cabinet Member responsible for libraries service said: "Mobile libraries are a lifeline to rural communities, and they give residents, particularly the elderly and vulnerable, access to vital services. This has never been truer than during the pandemic and I am pleased that Devon County Council has been able to support and improve this service with a £15,000 grant."

A network of 54 libraries in Devon and Torbay, and four Devon mobile libraries, are run by Libraries Unlimited, an independent staff and community owned charity.

For further information and full contact details please visit our web page librariesunlimited.org.uk.

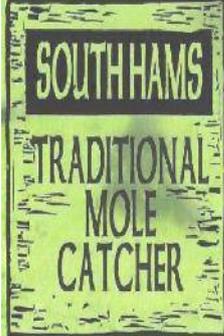


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CHURCH NEWS

At the time of writing, our church is usually open daily for silent prayer, or to visitors who wish to see inside our lovely place of worship. However, there may be occasions when it is closed and a notice on the door will advise you should this be necessary. Regular services of Morning Prayer are held each Sunday at 9:30 am except the third Sunday of each month when a service of Holy Communion takes place at 11:00 am. When there is a 5th Sunday in any month, there may be team services – details of those and the venues chosen are given closer to the date.

Please consider becoming a Friend of St James the Less church. By becoming a Friend, you can be assured that our church and graveyard will still be here for the generations who follow us. You do not have to be a worshipper in our church in order to become a Friend. All are welcome. Don Kelly will be delighted to give you further details on how to join and how your participation will help us all. His email is donaldkelly8@aol.com or phone number 810358. The **Barn Dance in Scobbiscombe Farm** was great fun and attended by about 130 people. Surplus profits are being donated to the Friends of St James the Less. All raffle proceeds will go towards Operation Christmas Child Shoeboxes and also the Kingsbridge Food Bank. Please see invitation details elsewhere in this month's Newsletter for news about a summer **Garden Party hosted by Carol and Robert Beard at Scobbiscombe House on 27th August.**

The Church Events Committee is sponsoring a **tombola** at our **Kingston Fun Day on 6th August.** Take a spin and see what happens!

The local contacts for St. James the Less, Kingston are our Church Wardens,

Brian Alloway, 810692, bja6devon@gmail.com and **Robert Beard**, 810500
r.beard@scobbiscombe.co.uk

Brian and Robert will be pleased to help you find the right person to talk to and help with any church-related arrangements. Please note full information is also on the Parish website as well as the Modbury Team website:- www.modburyteam.org



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New Residents. Kingston Parish Council extends a warm welcome to all new residents. If you need any help or information please do contact the Parish Clerk (e-mail: kingstonclerk@gmail.com).

Recreation Ground Monitoring Team

Thank you from KPC; all is well in the Recreation Ground. Weeks ahead are:

1 st August	John Wakeling
8 th August	John Wurr
15 th August	Sally Denham
22 nd August	Q (Lorraine Squire)
29 th August	Colin Burton
5 th September	Peter Dowling
12 th September	Simon Matson-Thomas
19 th September	Michael Brake
26 th September	Jon Wakeling

Next Kingston Parish Council Meeting – Thursday 15th September in the Reading Room.

The Agenda will be placed on the Parish Website (www.kingstonparishcouncil.co.uk) and the Parish Noticeboard (situated on the Fire Station wall) on Thursday 8th September 2022. The meeting will commence at 7.30pm. Public are welcome to join the Open Forum which is held at the beginning of each KPC meeting for any questions you may have.

Refuse and Recycling. South Hams District Council (SHDC) and the contractor (FCC Environment) have reached a mutual agreement to end FCC's contract for waste and recycling and street and toilet cleaning services. SHDC intend to operate these services themselves as of Monday 3rd October 2022. In the meantime, please continue to sort your waste and recycling as you do now and report any missed collections via:

<https://www.southhams.gov.uk/report>. SHDC currently remain committed to rolling out the full new service in due course; more details will be provided when they are available.

Planning. VPL's latest application has been refused and permission for the Reading Room extension has been granted.

Parking. Particularly now that the summer holidays are here, harvest is starting and we have significant numbers of visitors to our village, please ensure you park considerately – allow space for large vehicles to pass, use your driveways or dedicated parking spaces where you have them and facilitate visitors parking safely around the village as far as possible.

Before parking like this



Remember these may need to get through



There are a fair amount of large vehicles that need 24 hour access around the village.

Many Thanks for your help.

Financial Support for Struggling Households.

Devon County Council have published information and guidance to help people struggling to meet the rising costs of living: <https://www.devon.gov.uk/news/financial-support-for-households-struggling-to-pay-for-energy-food-and-other-essential-items/>. A Household Support Fund, which provides rapid short-term financial support to households struggling to pay for energy, water, food or other essential items, is also available to support low-income families.

Martin Lewis, the Money Saving Expert, has also published a helpful "cost of living crisis survival guide" on his website:

<https://www.moneysavingexpert.com/family/cost-of-living-survival-kit>.

Sources of Information. Kingston Parish Council website: www.kingstonparishcouncil.co.uk. If you have anything you feel would benefit our community by including it on the Web Site, please contact Cllr Merv Freeman on 01548 810070 or by e-mail on burlockcouncil@gmail.com. Please also note the Kingston Events Group and Charterlands Chatter Facebook pages.

KINGSTON PARISH COUNCIL

Your Councillors are here for you

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Lorraine (Q) Squire – Parish Clerk.		(810460)

KINGSTON LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY

Preserving our past – House Deeds

It has been a concern that the paper documents which normally change hands on the sale of a property, such as The Deeds, no longer do so and will be lost. The process is all electronic nowadays. The Land Registry is operating on a digital basis and once a property's title has been registered at the Land Registry, the old paper deeds are no longer required. In many cases these old deeds and other documents go back for a couple of hundred years – maybe more.

Registration of title at the Land Registry on the sale of properties in the South Hams became compulsory on 1st March 1988 and many titles were registered on a voluntary basis before that. Traditionally firms of solicitors used to keep title deeds for clients in their strong rooms, but most solicitors are now keen to clear out their strong rooms and send the old deeds back to their clients.

There must be a great deal of historical detail within the documents, and it would be such a shame if this were to be lost. Most of our enquiries are from people tracing ancestors who lived in Kingston years ago. The Deeds would be a valuable source of info.

The History Soc archive group would be happy to photocopy any documents of this sort and return them to you or else to store the originals. Alternatively, we could take a photo of the relevant pages and, in this case, it would save taking the papers away from you. On a copy, we could blank out any recent detail, if wished. Please contact Carol Beard on 810500 or c.beard@scobbiscombe.co.uk if you think this is worth doing. Or do speak to Karen Freeman or Guy Walker.

As an illustration:- We have the older deeds of Nos 1-3 Rock Cottages in the archives. Back in the mid-1800s, the cottages were gifted by Arthur Wise of Langston to his unmarried niece. Soon afterwards, in 1872, she became engaged to be married and within the bundle of documents is one in which she transferred the ownership of the property to her future husband. At that time women did not have the right to own property. Extraordinarily, her fiancé was a baronet living in Chelsea! A fascinating slice of social history...

KINGSTON COMMUNITY CINEMA

Kingston Community Cinema, more easily recognised locally as **Flicks in the Sticks**, has now been going for eight years. It was set up in response to a survey asking Kingstonians for ideas for new social/entertainment groups. There was a lot of enthusiasm for a village 'cinema', and our audiences have always been vocal in letting us know what sort of films they want, or rather, don't want, to see (e.g. "No horror, no foreign films' nothing too intellectual"! The films are acquired through Moviola, a non-profit making group which acts as intermediary between community cinema clubs like ours, and the big film distributors. We have access to a wide variety of recently released films. When we book a film, we pay Moviola a flat administration charge, plus a percentage of our takings.

Over the last eight years we have had a lot of fun and considerable variety in the films we've shown. Our very first was 'Robin Hood' (referred to by many as Men In Tights) a film very much of its time, and quite unforgettable in the hilarity it prompted. Our projecting equipment was basic to say the least, and the screen pretty much a blank wall. We've come a long way since then, and can now (thanks to Bob Musk) boast the most up to date projector and screen.

Occasionally we've provoke controversy and subsequent heated debate with our film choices. 'Birdman' was discussed long and hard after splitting the audience; as Scoop Kinder reported in the South Hams Gazette, "3% of the audience thought it was a cutting-edge commentary on contemporary art, and 97% thought it was pretentious twaddle". It certainly gave people

something to talk about in The Dolphin and on the internet.

It would take too much space to describe the multitude of differing other films we've shown, but one that absolutely can't be left out was the contemporary version of 'My Cousin Rachel' in February one year.

A packed audience came to Kingston's sell-out Hollywood Gala Night; all of them dressed up in black tie or long evening dresses. There was a red carpet, balloons galore, bouncers in dark glasses, champagne on arrival and a very upmarket buffet provided by Craig Worthington. Wilf Walters was Guest of Honour, receiving a Best Supporting Actor Award for his (fairly brief, it has to be said) appearance in the film, and he made a suitably Oscar-like acceptance speech which brought the raucous house down. His accompanying pig received Best Supporting Animal. It was a completely unforgettable Kingston evening.

Flicks in the Sticks can't promise you champagne and red carpets every time, but we'll do our best to show films you'll enjoy each month. After our summer break during July and August,

WE WILL BE BACK ON THE LAST SATURDAY OF SEPTEMBER (24th). We are currently looking at Moviola's list of films for the autumn season, and you should keep an eye out later on for posters round the village and information in the Newsletter as to what we'll be showing. Doors open at 7 p.m., film starts promptly at 7.30.

See you there!

PS: The Dolphin is very close at hand should you feel the need for liquid refreshment whilst

KINGSTON READING ROOM

The Reading Room Bookings Calendar for AUGUST 2022 .

SUN 31	MON 1 Aug	TUE 2	WED 3	THU 4	FRI 5	SAT 6
	Summer Bank Holiday (Scott) 18:00 9.30pm Bowls club	09:00 -12:30 Morning Mar 18:00 - 10pm KEG Band F			18:00 - 9.30pm Bowls club	
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Hiring Charges Kingston Reading Room



- Sessions are 8:30am to 1:30pm, 1:30pm to 6:30pm, 6:30pm to 11:30pm. If more time is needed to set up or clear away, then it should be booked.
- Hall users that satisfy the objects of the Reading Room charity Trust deed are charged at £6 per session. They must be non-profit (and may be subject to financial review) and open to all residents of Kingston Parish and be advertised in Kingston as such.
- Private events are charged at £7.50 per hour or part hour, including set up and clean up times.
- Sole occupancy of the Reading Room for a full day is charged at £275.
- Afternoon session children's parties are charged at a concessionary rate of £10 per session.
- The meeting room is charged at £5 per session.
- Existing agreements will be honoured.
- Bookings are recorded in the Reading Room bookings calendar which is available on the Parish Council website . Please check the calendar before requesting a booking.

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SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICES IN AUGUST AND SEPTEMBER

	Aveton Gifford 11.00 am	Bigbury 11.00 am	Kingston 9.30 am	Modbury 9.30 am	Ringmore 9.30 am
August 7 th	Sunday Worship	Communion	Sunday Worship	Communion	Sunday Worship
August 14 th	Communion	Sunday Worship	Sunday Worship	Communion (BCP) (8 am) ----- All Age Service	Village Service
August 21 st	Lay Led Service	Sunday Worship	Communion (11 am)	Communion	Sunday Worship
August 28 th	Communion	Evening Prayer (6 pm)	Village Service	Sunday Worship	Communion
September 4 th	Sunday Worship	Communion	Sunday Worship	Communion	Sunday Worship
September 11 th	Sunday Worship	Communion	Sunday Worship	Communion (BCP) (8 am) ----- All Age Service	Sunday Worship
September 18 th	Communion	Sunday Worship	Communion (11am)	Communion	Sunday Worship
September 25 th	Communion	Sunday Worship	Sunday Worship	Sunday Worship	Communion

How was God invented?

In 2011, journalist Alex Renton's six-year-old daughter, Lulu, wrote a brief letter to God and asked her father to send it. The letter asked God how He was invented. Her Dad was unsure what to do with it and so sent the letter to family members and faith leaders. The reply, reprinted below, was written by Rowan Williams, then Archbishop of Canterbury.

Alex later recalled: Lulu listened quietly as I read the Archbishop's letter and it went down well. What worked particularly was the idea of "God's story." "Well?" I asked when we reached the end. "What do you think?" She thought a little. "Well, I have very different ideas. But he has a good one."

Dear Lulu,

Your dad has sent on your letter and asked if I have any answers. It's a difficult one! But I think God might reply a bit like this –

'Dear Lulu – Nobody invented me – but lots of people discovered me and were quite surprised. They discovered me when they looked round at the world and thought it was really beautiful or really mysterious and wondered where it came from. Then they invented ideas about me – some of them sensible and some of them not very sensible. From time to time I sent them some hints – especially in the life of Jesus – to help them get closer to what I'm really like. But there was nothing and nobody around before me to invent me. Rather like somebody who writes a story in a book, I started making up the story of the world and eventually invented human beings like you who could ask me awkward questions!'

And then he'd send you lots of love and sign off. I know he doesn't usually write letters, so I have to do the best I can on his behalf.

Lots of love from me too.

Archbishop Rowan

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Devon's Best Young Landscape Artist Competition 2022

Are you aged 7-11 or 12-18?

To celebrate the natural beauty of Devon's coast and countryside, Devon CPRE's 'Best Young Landscape Artist' competition is inviting young artists to submit a painting, drawing or mixed media artwork capturing a landscape of their choice. Anything goes as long as it's in Devon - a favourite beach or beauty spot, a local park or green space, somewhere visited on a day out or even the artist's own garden.

PRIZES: £100 for the winning entry in each age category and £25 runner-up prizes.

Closing date: Friday 30 September 2022

PLUS some of the best entries will be on display in Okehampton at The Museum of Dartmoor Life.



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To enter, simply post us your artwork which must be A3 or A4 size, clearly marking your name and contact details on the back and age to:
Devon CPRE, PO Box 26, Beaworthy, EX21 5XN.
For full details visit cpredevon.org.uk