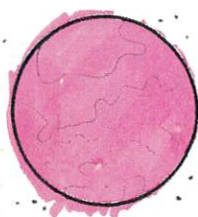


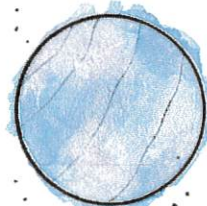
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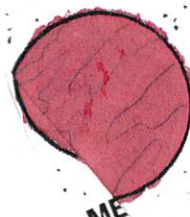
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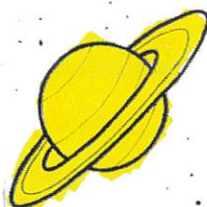
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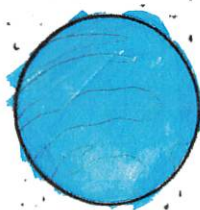
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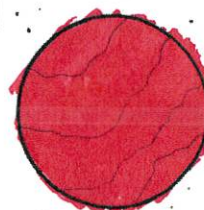
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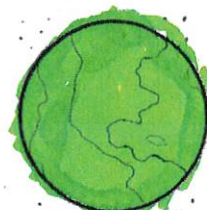
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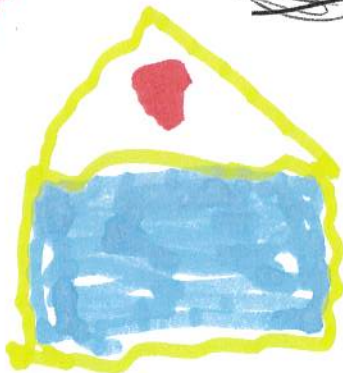
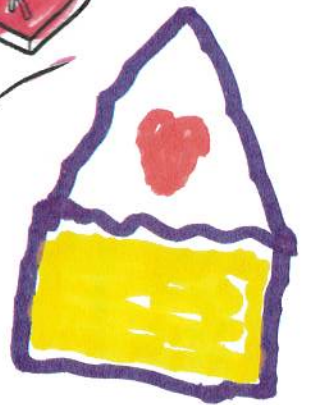
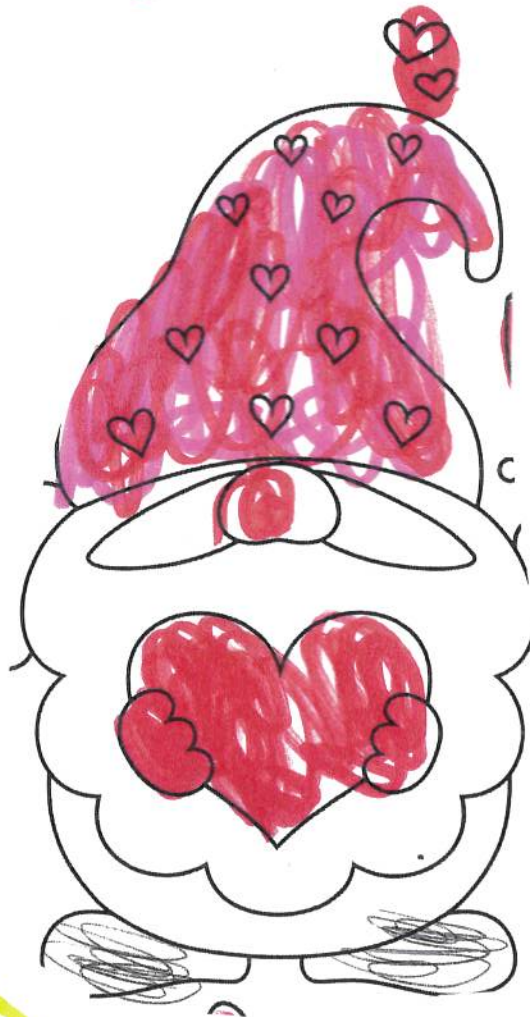
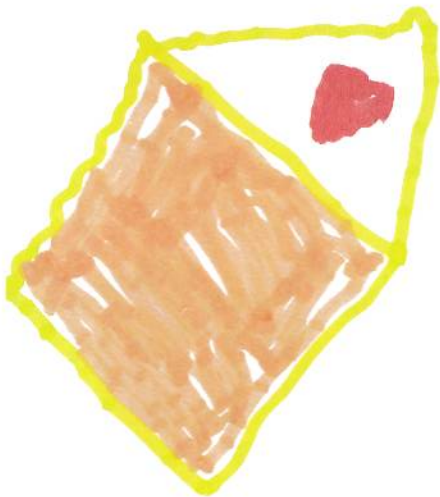


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## Sports Page

February has been an incredibly quiet month for International Sport. The Main International sports event has been the Six Nations Rugby Union Championship which is an international competition involving England, Scotland, Ireland, Wales, France, and Italy. Each of the teams plays five games, one against each of the other five teams in the competition. The competition is played annually with the same six teams playing each year. This year's Competition started on January 31<sup>st</sup> and will end on March 15<sup>th</sup>. In this year's competition, England lost their opening match against Ireland, but have won their other two games against France and Scotland. Their other two matches, which are against Italy and Wales will be played on March 9<sup>th</sup> and March 15<sup>th</sup>. The latest table shows England in second place with an outside chance of winning the Championship.





The other big Sporting Event this month is the fifth round of soccer's F. A. Cup competition. This competition involves all the teams from the Premiership and the football league together with many so-called non league clubs. This competition began in August 2024 with five rounds for only non-league clubs followed by two rounds for Leagues one and two clubs with the non-league winners and three further rounds for everybody still in the competition. This has produced sixteen surviving clubs who will contest the fifth round. Three further rounds will produce the winner of this season's F A Cup competition. In the fifth round this season there are eleven clubs from the first tier of Football called the Premiership and five clubs from the second tier of Football called the Championship.



At Tinkers' Hatch we have our own sports games and competitions which include a weekly session of Ball Games in the Hub in which clients of the centre compete against each other for a trophy. There is also, a table tennis table on which clients can have a game in their free time and on the summer days we play football, cricket, and badminton etcetera as well as trips out for swimming and ten pin bowling. Of particular interest to us at Tinkers' Hatch is the good news that the Sovereign centre is not now going to close because we do our Swimming there

This month the England netball team have become champions, so let us all give a big cheer and congratulations to them.



BIRTHDAYS

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## February

We would like to say well done to Neil ( W) for moving into his new flat.

The flowers of the month for February are Violets and Iris's. The violets symbolise tastiness and wisdom, humility and faithfulness whilst the Iris's represent wisdom, hope and trust. Irises are also known for their vibrant colours and unique shapes.

February 1<sup>st</sup> is National Freedom Day which is a celebration for the Presidents of America in the United States of America. The same day is also Saint. Bridget's Day. Saint Bridget was one of Ireland's Patron Saints.

February 2<sup>nd</sup> is Groundhog Day; a fun American Day celebrate in the United States of America and Canada. On this day a groundhog predicts the weather. This is a popular tradition. The groundhog is called Punxsutawney Phil.

February 4<sup>th</sup> is World Cancer Day.

February 7<sup>th</sup> is the birthday of Charles Dickens, a literary gentleman who authored books.

February 8<sup>th</sup> is the day that the Invictus Games, started this year. This is an International games for wounded ex-servicemen of the Armed Services which is championed by Prince Harry.

February 9<sup>th</sup> is National Pizza Day.

February 13<sup>th</sup>, the day before Valentines' Day, is Galantine Day, an unofficial fictional holiday, in celebration of Women's friendship, popularised by the television programme, "Pants and Recreate", and is also National. Kite flying day.

February 14<sup>th</sup> is Valentines' Day, a day for lovers to send cards anonymously.

February 21<sup>st</sup> is the International Mother Language Day which is promoted by UNESCO to encourage linguistic and cultural diversity, as well as multilingualism.

February 29<sup>th</sup> is Leap Year Day, which is celebrated once every four years. This day is a day for quirky traditions and rarely celebrated birthdays.

The third Monday in February is a holiday in the United States, originally to celebrate President George Washington but now celebrated to honour all American Presidents including George Washington. This holiday is a Federal Holiday.

Black History Month celebrates the achievements and contributions of African Americans.

The first Friday in February is a National Wear Red Day, used by an American Heart Association to raise awareness about heart disease in women.

Losar is the Tibetan New year which is a celebration in Tibet with rituals, festivals and feasts, often in February., whilst Thallium is a Hindu festival observed by the Tamil community in places like Malaysia, Singapore, and India, also frequently in February.

The Lantern Festival marks the end of the celebrations marking the Chinese New Year. This usually occurs on the fifteenth day of the first Lunar month, often in February.

At the Start of February, all the Planets are aligned in a row producing some spectacular sites in this country and around the world. Mercury is the last planet to join in the line.



we would like  
to welcome  
Keith  
Tinkers Hatch





