

The ARP ACTA



Aylsham Roman Project Newsletter



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April, named after the goddess Aphrodite, but known as Venus to the Romans, has given us lots of sunshine.

Let's hope we get it in August too!

Easter Weekend

What a great weekend at the Nursery! The weather was warm and it was so good to see you all, old Friends and



new Friends, joining us for our 2022 season, which will see us running a full community archaeology dig for the first time in two years. It's never too late to join us and if you missed us over Easter, we will be back there over the May Bank holidays.

Aylsham Show Grants Award



Very many thanks to the organisers of the Aylsham Show. We were one of 12 local groups to receive £250. This will go towards another of our lovely big sieves that groups of 6 adults or 10 children can gather round to see what has been buried in the soil.

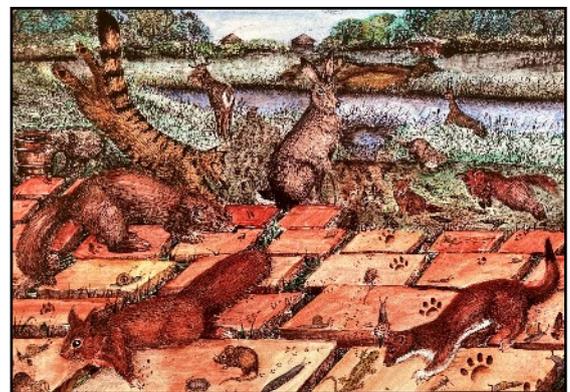
NNAS Conference

Thank you to the organisers of this year's Conference at the UEA. WE took our stand



and some finds there for the day and talked to many interesting and interested people. It was so good to listen to

Julie Curl in the afternoon, with her presentation Night on the Tiles. This explained about all the creatures she has discovered leaving their prints on drying tiles. Her presentation included the lovely Sable. She has also produced this wonderful postcard, on sale on our stand.



Bure Valley Zoom

We had another lovely Zoom session with Bure Valley School here in Aylsham, all about what Roman discoveries we have made. Some resources were left at the school for the children to touch and feel and others for the staff to show them. They sent lots of interesting questions afterwards for Peter and Sheila to answer. Thank you for inviting us.

Kiln Firing

We are aiming to re-fire our replica Roman



Kiln on Monday 4th July. We have uncovered it, it is still in good condition, and expert Beryl Hines

has been to visit us to give some advice on what we need to do before we see her again in May to rebuild the flue. This means that any of you who may have made a pot two years ago and left it with us will hopefully have it fired in July! Any of you potters out there that would like to make a pot to go in the kiln, please let us know - we need it to be dry before the firing date.

Watch the Birdie!

Delighted to say that the bird box here in Aylsham is again home to a pair of blue tits.



Having emptied it out completely, on April 12th, the female rebuilt it and it is now ready for her to start laying her eggs which should be very soon now.

If you want to follow what happens - it is compulsive viewing as many of you know! - it will be streaming live, seven days a week, from about 7 in the morning to 7 in the

evening, barring technical difficulties. Copy the



link below . Once there, look for this live link, select and you'll be able to view the nest. Fingers crossed we see the birth and flight of baby blue tits.

https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC8TDxHTQ9Uq8m6D_kY8gslw

Dates for your diary...Dates...Dates for your diary...

Early May Bank Holiday Sunday 1st and Monday 2nd May Come and see us at Woodgate Nursery! Renew your Friend card, pay to participate, bring your clothing order or pick up a form, buy our promotional items, help raise funds so we can keep digging!

Woodgate Garden Show Saturday and Sunday June 11th and 12th A great day out for everyone and we will be there with bric-a-brac, secondhand books, all our promotional stuff and a tombola. If you can donate a prize, please bring it along on a Tuesday morning to the Kiln Field, 1000-1200 or over the Easter weekend to Woodgate Nursery.

Aylsham Open Gardens Saturday and Sunday 18th and 19th June 1030 - 1600 Don't forget that ARP Friends Carole and Neville will be opening their garden on Hungate Street and raising money for the Project. If any of you can help with making and serving refreshments or donate some cakes, *please email and we'll send you their email address.*

Did you know?.....Did you know?.....Did you know?..... Cucumbers should be planted in May after the frosts have gone. Apparently, they should be planted on May 1st by a naked young man! Any volunteers?.....

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