

## MAYORS REPORT FOR JUNE 2018

1. My first event was an invitation to the Fayrewood Singers. This was a wonderful evening of Music. During the evening Alex Rimmell a 17 year old Saxophonist from Ferndown Upper School entertained us, he was a very special young man and played beautifully
2. This year's carnival was excellent. It felt like the carnival of yesteryear. Having floats made such a difference, and seeing children enjoying every moment was special. A big thank you to all the carnival committee for a superb day.
3. The Verwood Day Centre invited Clive and I to their fundraising jumble sale - it was really well attended with many local residents. Lovely event.
4. Clive and I were invited to East Dorset Civic Day. Toni had really thought about the day which was excellent. We started at the Model village and they progressed through the Folk Festival, to the physic gardens and onto the Millstream for lunch. We then walked in the parade along with Tibetan Monks and Morris dancers. On arrival at the Priest House Museum the Monks had created a Sand Mandala, this was something really special. A Lovely day.
5. Verwood Choral Society 30 year Summer Concert. This was a wonderful event with a lovely sing a long, some of the ladies had been with Ann for all the 30 years which is amazing.
6. The day care invited Clive and I to carer's week. This enables carers and cared for people to intermingle and talk to professionals about problems which they may have. The Rotary club have just bought a piece of equipment for the Centre called a Sound Bar. This enables people with disabilities, whatever they may be, to experience music and vibrations. It was wonderful to see people with dementia listening and relaxing to the sounds. I think this centre is something really special.
7. Cranborne Middle School invited us to their showcasing of work. The year 8 students were following a 6 week programme about the Holocaust. The students had heard from two Holocaust survivors, who had come to the school to talk to them. The work they had produced from hearing about the atrocities was absolutely mind blowing. These children were 13 years old and the quality of work was exceptional. A number of the Jewish community from Bournemouth were also present along with the two Survivors, and when they spoke the children were so quiet you could have heard a pin drop. It was a privilege to be there.
8. Hillside First School is celebrating 50 years this year and we had the honour of opening their new classrooms. These were named after Ruth Bussey, who was there from the very beginning of Hillside school. Some children had written poems and some sang songs, then we had a tour. A very enjoyable afternoon.
9. Ferndown Civic Service was held in St Marys Church which I really love, It has a wonderful happy feel about it. A really lovely evening.
10. Lyn Ledger and I attended the Civic Service at Weymouth which was held in St Marys Church. This church is really old and has a wonderful mural on the wall above the alter, and balconies on either side. Nice evening.
11. Wareham Civic Service is always something special. We paraded from the Town hall lead by a drum and pipe band that were excellent and into the lovely Priory Church of Lady St Mary. Lovely morning.

12. Clive and I were invited to Yeovil for their Civic Service. This was a lovely service which ended with us all attending the Local College where students from the catering course had made a wonderful buffet lunch. Lovely afternoon.