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## Spring is on its way.....

### SPRING

*Mother Nature reaches out her arms  
After her winter rest,  
And birds that left for milder climes  
Return to the warmth of her welcoming breast.  
Gently, lovingly she caresses the earth  
And clouds of daffodil,  
Like golden pools of earthbound sun,  
Appear in garden, vale and bill.  
There are snowy drifts of blackthorn blossom,*

*The buds are bursting on the trees  
And birds are singing once again,  
And the hedgehog awakes and sniffs the breeze.  
It's the season of hope and of re-birth,  
All nature is stirring to greet the sun,  
Lambs are gambolling in the fields —  
There's new life on earth because spring has come!*

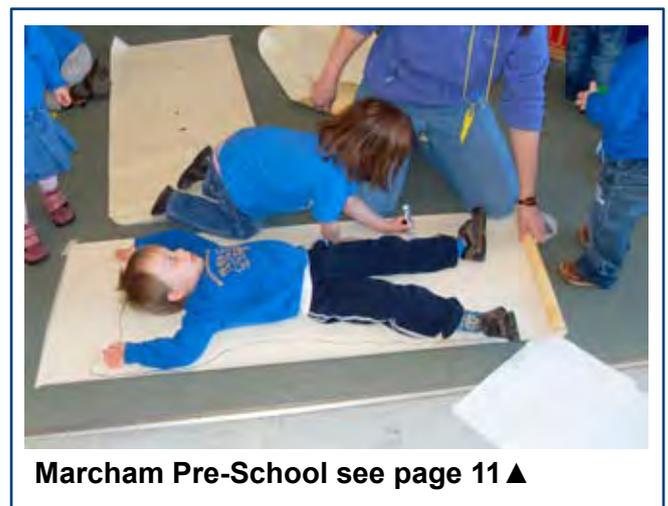
Doris Dowling



### DIARY FOR MARCH

4 Thur	Midweek walk The Swan Inn, Ascott-under-Wychwood, 12.30pm lunch /1.30pm walk	7
6 Sat	Coffee Morning in aid of BBOWT, Witney, 9.30-12.00am	13
9 Tue	Marcham Society, All Saints' Church, 7.45pm	7
10 Wed	Marcham Parish Council Meeting, Duffield Place, 7.30pm	3
11 Thur	Mostly Books presents John Gribbin, Abbey Hall, 7.30pm	11
11-28	Abingdon Arts Festival	13
15 Mon	Deadline for return of Marcham Shop Questionnaires see back page	3
17 Wed	Public Meeting: Future of the Anson Trust, Marcham School, 8pm	5
18 Thur	Marcham WI, Denman College, 7.30pm	7
19 Fri	MP's Surgery Wallingford Town Hall, 5.30-7pm	11
24-27	Abingdon Drama Club presents Thérèse Raquin, Unicorn Theatre, 7.30pm	13
25 Thu	"Have your say" Police surgery, Duffield Place, 6.00-8.00pm,	9
25 Thur	BBOWT Talk: Biodiversity, Witney, 7.30pm	13
27 & 28	Quilting Exhibition, Radley College, 10am-4pm	11

*Details of events may change after publication, please check with the relevant organisers before attending events.*



Marcham Pre-School see page 11 ▲



**Don't forget to put your clocks forward on 28/29 March!**