



## Committee

### Newsletter Deadline

Newsletter publication is scheduled to be within the first three days of the month. Announcements, articles and pictures should be submitted before the end of the previous month.

## Members Meeting

14:30 Tuesday April 18<sup>th</sup> 1430 – 1600 Bridges Centre

### Johnny Ball, TV presenter and public speaker

Based on his book *Wonders Beyond Numbers* **Johnny Ball** takes us on a whirlwind journey through the History of Maths, explaining how not “doing numeracy” made the Greeks the best maths nation ever, while Islam enabled the Renaissance, until Isaac Newton made the greatest maths discovery of all, by reading just two books, which explains why absolutely anyone can be a genius.

In doing this, Johnny assures me, non mathematicians won't be left behind or find it too scary!

***N.B. This presentation will be via live video link from Johnny's home to the audience in Bridges Centre starting at 14.30. He will be able to take questions afterwards.***

Averil MacDonald

May meeting: Chris Seabury: *Energy Use and Reduction in the Home*

## Groups

**Science and Technology:** Tuesday 11 April at 2.30pm in the BRIDGES CENTRE

*Our place in the Universe – how lucky do you feel today?* Steve Warbis, Jodrell Bank

This month we are very lucky to be joined by Monmouth Astronomical Society for an explanation, with simulations, of the incredible sequence of astronomical processes and events – many of which were pure chance and random serendipity – which form the extraordinary trail that led to us being here today. This spectacular talk has already been widely acclaimed: “Absolutely superb – graphics were brilliant – you must convert this into a book!” Ian Morison, Professor of Astronomy.

If you are not a member of this group you are welcome to join us as a guest for £3 (or you can become a member for £12).

### **Critical Thinking**

The next meeting will be on 25 April at 3.00 in Ty Price. We will be considering the etiquette of social media.

Anyone intending to come might like to listen to:

[Newscast - Female Journalists Talk About Their Online Trolls - BBC Sounds](#)

And read:

[Mary Beard reveals she befriended Twitter trolls following online abuse | Cyberbullying | The Guardian](#)

### **Events**

**Reminder:** Drop-in coffee mornings, each Monday at the Estero Lounge in Monmouth. Everyone welcome.

### **News from the Third Age Trust**

Here is the latest copy of the Third Age Trust newsletter <https://us9.campaign-archive.com/home/?u=656ad5962b370cc9e2731d1ed&id=40791d727a>