

Glenthorne

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Hello again from Glenthorne. The spring and the sunshine are here!

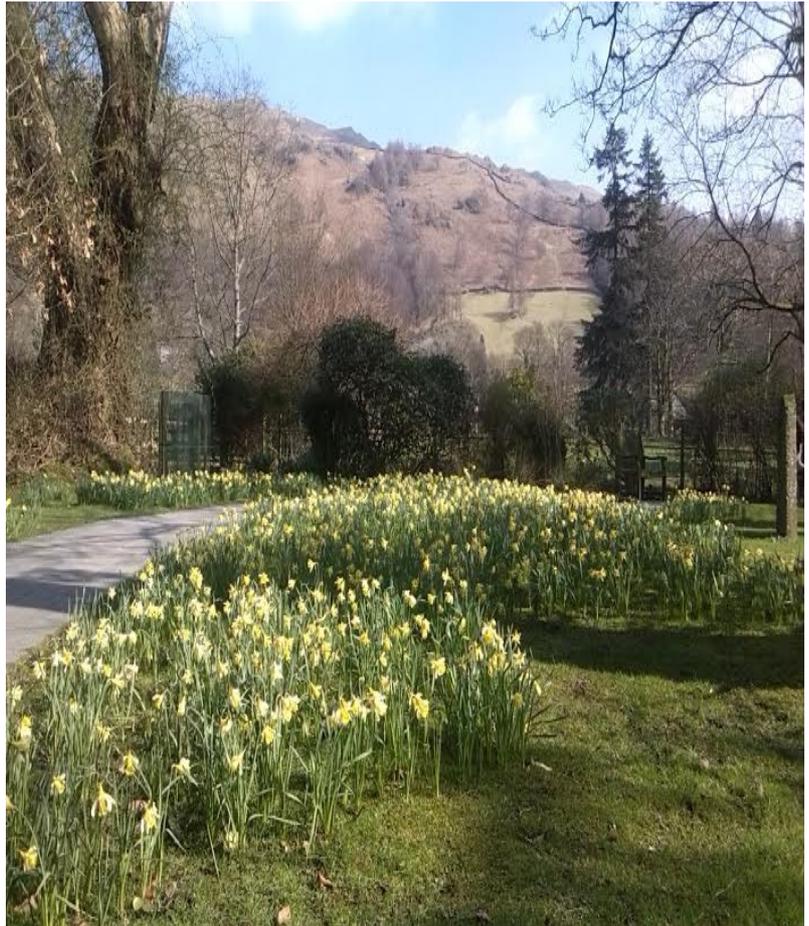
The daffodils have been out for several weeks and give swathes of yellow along the roadside verges through the villages and throughout the Lakes. The resident birds are busy nest building, the Herdwick sheep are starting to lamb and we are waiting for the first swallows and house martins to arrive.

We have just had a great Easter holiday with several regular family groups being able to relax and spend time together. They have been catching up, playing games and exploring together, with enough space to have time alone too, all with out the worry of cooking or housework!

If you want to come and practice/improve your painting and sketching we still have some spaces left on Sue Ford's popular weekend course **Painting and Sketching in the Lakes** (Friday 1st to Monday 4th May) and there is an opportunity to identify the local spring flowers and learn their

uses and folklore with Roy Vickery's **Lakeland Flora** (Friday 15th – 17 May.)

You might also want to **Explore your spiritual path in fabric or words**, (Friday 29 - Sunday 31 May) or **Nourish the soul** (Friday 12 – Sunday 14 June) with Linda Hoy.



The fells and lakes are starting to come alive now. The launches on the lakes at Windermere, Coniston, Derwent and Ullswater and the open top buses between Keswick and Kendal are all operating their summer timetables.

Why not plan a romantic trip on the Steam Gondola from Coniston across the lake to the sunny South facing slopes of the gardens and house at Brantwood, the home of John Ruskin. Or take a short walk from Glenthorne to the Poets walk through Lancrigg woods, a favourite place for William Wordsworth and his sister Dorothy.

We look forward to welcoming you and sharing in the magic that is Glenthorne. Come along and experience the peace and the stillness in the air.

Terry Winterton

Friend in Residence