

COMMUNITY NEWS



A meeting to finalise arrangements for 11 November Remembrance will be held on Monday 22 October at 7.15pm in the Coronation Hall

Please come along to explore the plans, offer suggestions and help. The more volunteers we have the less arduous the tasks for everyone. This is a joint venture with the Parish Council and the Church.



Most parishes in the UK are marking this 100th anniversary and we are hoping to provide our community with a memorable event. If you can come on 11 November dressed in clothes of the period that would add to the atmosphere but you are very welcome wearing your usual attire of course. If you are unable to attend the meeting on 22nd and would like to offer help please drop a note into the Hall letterbox, call **01672 810717** or email news@graftonparish.com

26 October marks the 100th anniversary of the passing of Private EP Russ, from injuries sustained earlier in battle. Pte Russ is buried at St. Nicholas' Church and should be remembered along with all the men of Grafton who gave their lives in conflict.

It is worth a visit to see the wonderful blooms in St Nicholas' Church; quite the biggest display of dahlias and stunning flowers ever seen for Harvest Festival.
A very special thank you to Mr and Mrs Taylor of Marten and Mr Davies of West Grafton for growing and providing the dozens of beautiful flowers and to the people who gave their time to decorate our lovely church.
Parish Calendar details on Page 4



Saturday 10 November, 10.30am – 3.00pm
- Create a WW1 Graffiti Mural

Let your creative talents go wild and help create a six-metre graffiti mural to decorate the Coronation Hall for the World War One memorial celebrations!

An exciting arts project involving spray paint/graffiti techniques and paste up art techniques.

The design will start as an English field filled with wild flowers which have grown over- old rusty war machinery. Come and bring it to life with your ideas, learn more about images from WW1 and reflect your thoughts in the mural.

Young people of all ages are welcome to participate in creating a vibrant, colourful and meaningful mural as their contribution to the WW1 celebrations.

Contact youthactivities@graftonparish.com or Annie on **07802 923344** for further information



Keep the wheels on the bus going round ...

In the September Community News and across other local parish magazines and outlets we have been advertising for a minibus driver. Our minibus runs from East Grafton to Burbage Primary School at 8.30am and returns at 3.15pm. The role is Monday to Friday, 2 hours daily (1 hour in the morning and 1 in the afternoon), during term time only.

To date we have had little luck in attracting interest. At just 10 hours per week we know the hours are unconventional but we continue to feel confident that the right person is out there. Or possibly the right combination of people are out there? The role would certainly work well as a job share – maybe the afternoon run would work for you but not the morning? Or you'd be happy to drive on a couple of days but not 5 days?

Being part of our driving team may complement other part-time work hours, will provide a connection to the community and be good fun. You need a clean licence with D1 or equivalent and we will provide minibus driver training. If you think you might be able to help at all, on either a permanent or ad-hoc basis, please get in touch for a chat. Contact Alison or Sue by admin@sunflowers-grafton.co.uk or on **01672 810478**

Christmas Turkeys



This year St Nicholas' Church and Manor Farm will once again be supplying local turkeys (all reared and prepared within 20 miles of East Grafton) and donating all the profit from the sales to St Nicholas' Church and Wiltshire Air Ambulance. Last year St Nicholas' received £500 and with your support we'd love to do even better this year; so please buy a turkey or spread the word to family, friends and neighbours. Every £ of profit will go to charity so it is one way of enjoying a fabulous local turkey and donating to two local causes at the same time.

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Defibrillator and CPR demonstrations

A session, with hands-on practical guidance by professionals, will be held in the Coronation Hall, as part of the National "World restart a heart day".

Do come along between **7.30pm and 9.30pm on Monday 29 October** to find out more. The Doctor's piece on page 2 explains why this is so important and why we should all be aware of what we can do in an emergency.

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Winter Warmers

Tuesday 13 November at 12.30pm



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The Menu

You will be greeted with a glass of wine or soft drink
Chicken and leek pie with vegetables
Gingerbread upside down pudding and ice cream

To book call Liz **01264 731242/07831 545 772** or email
liz@wexcombefarm.co.uk

Our Doctor writes **Important! Help Save a Life**



Tuesday 16 October is "World Restart a Heart Day". This is a yearly day of action with the aim to teach vital life-saving CPR skills to as many people as possible. Schools, community groups and workplaces can run their own sessions with the help of the Call.Push.Rescue training kit available from The British Heart Foundation. Training takes less than an hour and by the end of the session you should be able to check if someone who is not responding to you is breathing, how to call for help, how to do chest compressions and give mouth to mouth breaths effectively, how to find and use a community defibrillator, how long to do resuscitation for and what to do when someone starts to recover.

At present if you suffer an out of hospital cardiac arrest in the UK you have less than a 1 in 10 chance of surviving. The aim of the "Restart a Heart Day" is to increase this survival rate by enabling a bystander to perform basic CPR. If you are a bystander and do nothing, then that person having a cardiac arrest, who may be a loved one, will likely die. If you do something, then you may save that life. Even if you cannot remember exactly what to do, you will not do any harm if you push down on the lower end of the breast bone to a depth of 5cm at a rate of 2 pushes a second. There are times when a cardiac arrest is not due to a heart condition, for example, trauma, choking, drowning. This mostly affects babies and children and the research in these cases concludes that giving 2 rescue breaths before standard CPR is more effective.

Thanks to the brilliant Parish fundraising efforts back in 2012, we have defibrillators in each of our hamlets. Wilton – in the red phone box by The Swan; East Grafton – on the side of the Coronation Hall next to the kitchen door; West Grafton – at Mayfield's stable block to the right of the house; Marten – Mill Farm Barn, left hand side when leaving A338 into the hamlet; Wexcombe – Manor Farm Lower Farm Yard on the brick barn on your left. Don't be afraid to use one, 999 responders will direct you all the way, starting with the code to access the equipment. All you have to do is stick on the pads as shown on the diagram and push start. The defibrillator will then tell you exactly what to do. Remember there is always help from ambulance control.

If you cannot attend a practical session then maybe spend a few minutes on 16 October looking at the information about how to do CPR on the British Heart Foundation website.

The Old School Surgery (Great Bedwyn) now have Call.Push.Rescue kit and will be running a drop in session from 1 to 4pm on Thursday 18 of October. This is open to everyone, even if you are not registered at the practice. The kit is available to be borrowed by groups and workplaces. Make a difference and save a life.

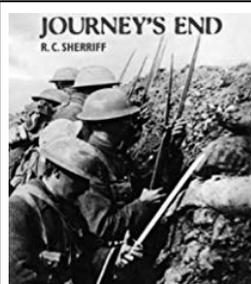
Thank you very much to the willing volunteers across the Parish who check and maintain each of the defibrillators so that they are always ready to use, when necessary.

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Picture Palace "Journey's End"

Friday 26 October 7.30pm

**An appropriate film for
1918-2018 Remembrance**

The tale takes place in the spring of 1918 near St. Quentin, France. The war has already dragged out for nearly four years, with millions killed; it will grind on for more than a half-year longer, snuffing out countless lives as it does.

The film escorts us into the battle zone following fresh-faced teenaged Second Lieutenant Raleigh (Asa Butterfield), who could have done his service in a safer place but instead has gone to some trouble to get assigned to the command of Captain Stanhope (Sam Claflin).

Before the war, Stanhope was a senior boy at Raleigh's school and enamoured of his sister; the three spent happy holidays together. But the Stanhope Raleigh encounters is a stiff and troubled officer and hardcore alcoholic... Also starring Paul Bettany and Toby Jones.

Doors open 7pm for pre-film drinks and refreshments.

Tickets £6 available at the door, from The Swan Inn or
Kevin Burke **01672 811719**

News in Brief

Bonfires, fireworks and the dangers of fire

Many thatched houses in our parish are insured with conditions relating to the proximity of fires and fireworks. The dangers to nearby properties when a fire is close-by are obvious so please avoid the temptation to risk damage to houses and outbuildings by lighting fireworks or bonfires. Sadly there have been local thatch fires in recent weeks so this warning comes with evidence of consequences close to home.

Mobile Library Service

Have you visited the mobile library which visits East Grafton on a Wednesday morning every 4 weeks?

For adults, there is a large range of information books and novels, ranging from the latest thriller to best-selling autobiographies, cookery and gardening. There is also a wide selection of large print and talking books.

If you are a parent with young children, you will find a great range of picture books, information books and plenty of exciting reading for older children as well. If you are looking for a particular title and can't find it the Mobile Library Manager will be happy to reserve it for you and bring it on a future visit, there is no charge for children's stock but a small charge of 90p for adult reservations.

It is free to join the library and there are no fines for overdue books. So why not try it and see how much more there is on a mobile library? It's easy to join, just bring along proof of your name and address and the friendly Mobile Manager will sign you up straight away – they are always happy to help.

We stop at East Grafton, Coronation Hall, 11.40 – 12.00. For further dates visit www.services.wiltshire.gov.uk/MobileLibrary

The Vale Community Campus in Pewsey

This facility is on course to be opened this Autumn and promises to provide a state of the art community facility for local people, with a top of the range fitness suite, 25 metre swimming pool, sports hall, fitness studio, meeting room and café. Latest images of the building, on the site of the old Pewsey Sports Centre, can be found on the Wiltshire Council website at

www.wiltshire.gov.uk/leisure-pewsey. Information about the campus is also being displayed at Pewsey Library or can be seen on Facebook - [@PewseySC](https://www.facebook.com/PewseySC).

For any enquiries about memberships, swimming lessons, sports hall usage or room hire please contact thevale@wiltshire.gov.uk or simply register your interest by email to receive updates about the new centre including membership offers, fitness and swimming timetables and community events. Current fitness provision in Pewsey is available at The Vale Fitness Suite on the Fordbrook Business Park, where leisure memberships can be obtained with a 15% discount while the building works on the new facility continue.



Grafton Hikers' Parish Boundary Walk

On the morning of Saturday 15 September, 17 local residents of Grafton Parish set off from Wilton Windmill to walk the 26km Grafton Parish Boundary and raise money for Brighter Futures' Radiotherapy Appeal at GWH in Swindon.

After a motivating warm up with Jo Jo and her Zumba moves, the group set off. It was the most beautiful day – the sun shone and it was lovely and warm. We had excellent support from Peter Lemon, Gregor Ross, Peter Horne and Tim Leighton, who brought us food and drink along the way.

The views were spectacular and we have a few photos to send off to Liz Hosier for the Grafton Parish Calendar competition (to enter, email Liz@wexcombefarm.co.uk).

It was definitely a walk and talk fundraiser – the only place where chatter momentarily stopped was as we ascended Wexcombe Down which is very steep!

We arrived back at the Windmill in the late afternoon, to a wonderful reception of bunting, tea and cake – thank you James Marlow and his team of helpers for organising this, it was a lot of fun.

And then of course, we had to have a stop at The Swan before going home.

A perfect day. And we've raised over £2,500 with donations still coming in. If you'd like to donate, it's not too late! You can either drop some money into the box on the bar at The Swan or donate on our Just Giving page online - <https://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/jane-leighton3>.

Thank you to everyone involved for such an incredible day – and thank you so much to everyone who has donated, it is an amazing amount of money!

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St Nicholas' services	www.savernaketteam.org.uk
Winter Warmers	01264 731242 liz@wexcombefarm.co.uk

Local Clubs

Windmill Society	secretary@wiltonwindmill.co.uk
Horticultural Society	01672 810364 Marijke Craig

Dates for your diary

All events take place in the Coronation Hall unless otherwise specified. *St N* refers to St Nicholas' Church.

OCTOBER

08	13.00	Parish Council planning meeting (if required)	
07	11.00	Holy Communion	<i>St N</i>
09	12.30	Winter Warmers	
14	18.00	Evensong	<i>St N</i>
21	11.00	Holy Communion	<i>St N</i>
22	19.15	Remembrance planning meeting	
26	19.00	Picture Palace "Journey's End"	
26	24.00	Closing date for Community News	
29	19.30	Defibrillator and CPR training/demo	

NOVEMBER

10	10.30	Youth Activities	
11	10.45	Remembrance Service	<i>St N</i>
11	12.00	Remembrance feast and music	
13	12.30	Winter Warmers	

See www.graftonparish.com for Coronation Hall booking information and details of gazebo hire.

Parish Calendar

Thank you all for your wonderful photos, do keep them coming in. If local businesses wish to sponsor a page for £50.00 contact Jane Goldstein. Only 5 pages left!

Jane.goldstein@print-image.co.uk

MONDAY

YOGA



11:00 to 12:30
01672 841553 Lizzy Hawnt

TUESDAY



ZUMBA YOGA



09:30 to 10:30
07710 115324 Joanna Bury

19:30 to 21:00
01672 841553 Lizzy Hawnt

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY



Baby and toddler group
10:00 to 11:30
graftongoslings@yahoo.co.uk

FRIDAY

Mobile library at the Coronation Hall
26 September, 24 October 11.40am to 12pm



09:30 to 10:30
10:45 to 11:45
Beginners and gentle work
07769 580148 Tracey Rich



07746 479345
Charlotte Price

Monday	17.00 - 18.30	West End (Group Show Dances), Bronze Jazz, Pre-Pointe
Tuesday	16.00 - 18.00 18.00 - 18.30	Grade 1/2 Modern & Tap, Grade 3 Tap
Wednesday	15.30 - 19.00	Baby Ballet, Pre-Primary Ballet, Primary & Grade 1/2 Ballet, Grade 3 Modern
Thursday	16.45 - 18.45	Grade 4/5 Ballet, Grade 4/5 Modern

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