COMMUNITY NEWS



News from St Nicholas' Church

Sunday 27 November at 4 pm. Our wonderful "Stir up Sunday" is back again and will be held in the Coronation Hall. Please come along and stir the pud.

Sunday 4 December at 11 am Holy Communion will be part of our St Nicholas' Day service.

Sunday 18 December at 4 pm CAROL SERVICE and Family Nativity. This promises to be a lovely service in the run up to Christmas. Please come and enjoy yourselves.

If you would like to be involved in getting our church ready for Christmas please contact Patricia Knowles on 01672 810072. No particular skills are required, just friendly enthusiasm.

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Digger & Mojo in Pewsey and Woodborough

Just look out for businesses displaying the Small Business Saturday poster or check out who's taking part at www.localuncovered.com or www.visitpewseyvale.co.uk

Winter Warmers Festive Christmas Lunch

7 December 12.30pm

Christmas lunch with all the trimmings Christmas 'Flaming' Pudding! - With Brandy Butter Crackers and Christmas Carols



Book your tickets from Liz Hosier 01264 731242 or liz@wexcombefarm.co.uk

On your own or with a group of friends - everyone welcome.

This is a great opportunity, especially if you are new to Grafton Parish, to meet your neighbours and to enjoy delicious food in a relaxed and friendly atmosphere.

Firstly: This is our 8th Birthday edition and so we would like to thank all those very kind and helpful people who "tread the boards" each month to deliver the Community News to all the households in the Parish. THANK YOU.

Secondly: We would like to thank all those organisations and businesses which advertise in the Community News. We are able to cover our costs, just, each month with the contributions which you make. Of course we are always looking for new contributors to ensure that we remain viable so do think about the occasional or regular advertisement - details on page 4.

Thirdly: We are gearing up for the festive season now that the trees are changing their colours and we will have news next month from Father Christmas who has told us that he will be in the Parish again this year! Whooppee!

If you have not visited Crofton Beam Engines recently and would like to help them to upgrade their facilities then do take up their questionnaire offer on page 2 to help with the improvements to the site.

Wilton Windmill is looking for volunteers so you might like to find out about the site, how it is managed and what is going on by meeting the "friends of the Windmill" on 25 November, details on page 2.

Clear out your cupboards!



Bag2School collection Monday 28 November



A blue Bag2School bag has been delivered with your Community News so why not take the opportunity for an autumn clear out and help us raise funds. Fill the bag with good quality used clothes, bags, shoes, belts and more (see side of bag for full details) and drop it off at Sunflowers by 9am on Monday 28 November. Spread the word to family and friends – you can also use black bags if you have lots to clear out.

Have a Creative Christmas

Solve those present dilemmas with gorgeous hand-made gifts



or email admin@sunflowers-grafton.co.uk



18 November – 6.30pm Coronation Hall

30 November – 7pm Coronation Hall

18 December – Time to be confirmed Coronation Hall Mince pie bake

Introduction to some self-defence techniques Glass painting and other Christmas activities

To help raise money for a zip wire at East Grafton playing field we'll be making and selling mince pies and Christmas jam tarts, all bakers who help will earn time credits as well and be helping the community.

Information about how to order these delicious treats is shown on page 3.

Ideas for next year:

January If the flume at Basingstoke Aquadrome is open a Sunday trip is planned.

February (Half Term 15 – 18) A trip to see Bedwyn Panto with fish and chips at The Swan (either before or after).

Early April Easter chocolate making in the Coronation Hall

If you know young people in the parish tell them about youth activities and get them to come along. If you have suggestions on trips and activities for 2017 please let us know and we can help you make them happen. If you have questions, want more details or would like to join in then please contact youthactivities@graftonparish.com and Annie on 07802 923344

NOTE TO ALL RESIDENTS: See information about the tempting MINCE PIES on page 3, under the monthly calendar, and don't lose your order form which is enclosed with this issue!

M&M Productions Present



Coronation Hall East Grafton

Saturday 14 January 2017

Doors open at 4.30pm Performance begins at 5.00pm

Children £5, Adults £7.50

Refreshments and Food will be available Book your tickets from:

The Swan in Wilton or Email: Hall@graftonparish.com or Call: Natalie on 07479 281809

Looking For A Babysitter?

My name is Sophie I am 14 years old I live in East Grafton



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Our Crofton Story: its people and its buildings

Behind the scenes at Crofton Beam Engines volunteers have been working hard to develop "Our Crofton Story: its people and its buildings". The project will see around a £750k investment to conserve and restore Crofton Beam Engines whilst developing its interpretation, activities and visitor facilities to attract a wider and more diverse audience, thus securing its future.

Over the course of the summer we've been asking our visitors what they think of Crofton and have some really positive feedback. Now we really need to hear from people who don't visit Crofton to find out why and what we can do about it.

If you have not visited Crofton Beam Engines within the last five years, it would be really useful if you could complete this short (7 question) survey:

www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/GH663W8

This will really help us not only in our planning, but provide evidence to grant bodies that there is a need for the project. If you would prefer a hard copy, please contact our Site Manager, Becks Skinner at

crofton.manager@katrust.org.uk

For more information see: www.croftonbeamengines.org

News in Brief

Marlborough Christmas Fair in aid of Prospect Hospice

Saturday 26 November Marlborough Town Hall 10am-4pm with over 35 festive stalls from personalised gifts for someone special to artisan breads there will be something for everyone, along with entertainment from the Pewsey Belles to Santa and his Elves this is the one Christmas Fair you do not want to miss this year, while supporting your local hospice.

Rise in the number of burglaries in the Pewsey area

The main priority of the East Community Policing Team in the Pewsey area is to focus on burglaries, specifically in Pewsey, Burbage & Great Bedwyn. Further details at pewsey.ourcommunitymatters.org.uk/news/rise-in-thenumber-of-burglaries

Pewsey Fire Station is recruiting

Looking for a rewarding job with regular income and excellent training? For more information please go to the Recruitment Evening at the station on 14 November from 7pm until 9pm

Lots more local information on www.pewsey.ourcommunitymatters.org.uk



Everyone is welcome at the AGM 25 November from 8pm Coronation Hall

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Our Doctor writes - Dr Angela Paddon

It seems over the last few months that the practice community, including members of staff, has had more than its fair share of bereavement. The death of someone you love can be devastating whether their death is expected due to a chronic illness or is unexpected due to sudden illness, an accident or natural disaster. Bereavement affects everyone differently and there is no right or wrong way to feel. Typically there are four stages to bereavement; accepting your loss is real, experiencing the pain of grief, adjusting to life without the person who has died and moving on. During these stages it is normal to feel shocked or numb, overwhelming sadness and to cry, to feel angry even towards the person who died and to feel guilty about something you did or did not say or do and about being unable to prevent their death and being angry towards them. Immediately after a death there is often a lot of support from family, friends and the local community. After the funeral, when the immediate support network begins to dissipate and return to their lives, it can be the most difficult time. It is important to keep talking and sharing your feelings. If you cannot do this with family and friends there is a lot of other support available. If you are having difficulty sleeping, feeling depressed, need time off work or just want advice, then come and see me, Dr Graystone or Dr Woods at the surgery. Our counsellor, Susan Carthy, who comes to the surgery on Thursday morning, has training in bereavement counselling. She is part of the Wiltshire IAPT (Improving Access to Psychological Therapies) service and you can contact this service directly to arrange an appointment (https://iaptwilts.awp.nhs.uk, 01380 731335).

The Prospect Hospice has a bereavement and pre-bereavement service for patients and their families. Their new centre at Savernake Hospital provides workshops focusing on sleep, nutrition, wellbeing, breathlessness, relaxation and has a drop in service for those diagnosed with a life-limiting illness - not just cancer but conditions such as lung and heart failure (www.prospect-hospice.net, 01793 813355). Various national charities offer support. If you feel like you need to talk then the Samaritans are available 24 hours a day and you do not have to be suicidal to call them free on 116 123. Cruse Bereavement Care offers face-to-face, telephone, email and website support. They have a Freephone national helpline and local services, and a website specifically for children and young people (www.hopeagain.org.uk). Their services are provided by trained volunteers and are confidential and free (www.cruse.org.uk, 0808 808 1677). Winston's Wish,

www.winstonswish.org.uk, 08452 30405, the Childhood Bereavement Network and Child Bereavement UK specialise in helping bereaved children, both before and after the death. Sue Ryder has an online information service with practical and emotional advice to support the patient and their family. Information is available from GOV.UK about some of the practical issues of what to do after someone dies. The Facing the Future Service has been developed by Samaritans and Cruse to help support people who have been bereaved by suicide. The NHS Choices website, as always, is an excellent resource with lots of information and links.

I would like to say that as a community you are amazing at caring for and supporting individuals and families going through difficult times. I know some of you volunteer for the charities mentioned above. I feel privileged and proud to work and live in this community.

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Dates for your diary

All events take place in the Coronation Hall unless otherwise specified (contact details on page 4). *St N* refers to St Nicholas' Church.

NOVEMBER

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18	18.30	Youth Activities		
20	11.00	Holy Communion	St N	
25	20.00	Wilton Windmill AGM		
27	10.30	Creative Christmas		
27	16.00	Stir up Sunday Service		
28	09.00	Last time for Bag2school	Sunflowers	
30	19.00	Youth Activities		
DECEMBER				
02	24.00	Deadline for December edition of CN		
04	11.00	Holy Communion	St N	
07	12.30	Winter Warmers lunch		
18	TBA	Youth Activities		
18	16.00	Carol Service and Nativity	St N	

Mince Pies & Christmas Jam Tarts

11.00 Holy Communion

Grafton Youth Activities will be making delicious mince pies and jam tarts to raise money towards a zip wire for the Playing Field. They'll be guaranteed to rival any from well-known local supermarkets! And a bargain at £1.80 for 6 and £3 for 12.

The pies/tarts will be baked and ready for collection at the Coronation Hall, Sunday 18 December before or after the 4pm Carol Service. If you are unable to pick up don't worry they can be delivered.

An order form is enclosed in the Community News – fill it out now for your gourmet Christmas treats.

Last orders 12 December.

MONDAY



11:00 to 12:30 Monday

St N

THESDAY



09:30 to 10:30 Tuesday



19:30 to 21:00 Tuesday

WEDNESDAY

CIRCUIT & FITNESS



) 09:15 to 10:15 Wednesday



THURSDAY



Baby and toddler group 10:00 to 11:30 Thursday

FRIDAY

Mobile library at the Coronation Hall 25 November, 30 December 11.55am to 12.25pm



09:30 to 10:30 Friday 10:45 to 11:45 Friday Beginners and gentle work

KARATE CLASS

Children only 16:30 to 17:00

Useful contacts Societies/Clubs/Organisations: 1 line free entry

Societies/ Clubs/ Organ	iisacions. I line nee endy	
Church flowers/clean	01672 810072 Patricia Knowles	
Circuit/fitness Training	01672 810266 Hen Mackinnon	
Community News	news@graftonparish.com	
Coronation Hall	07479 281809 hall@graftonparish.com	
County Councillor	01672 810285 Stuart Wheeler	
Cricket Club	wiltoncc@yahoo.co.uk	
Crofton beam engines	www.croftonbeamengines.org	
Dance and Fitness	07746 479345 Charlotte Price	
Grafton Goslings	graftongoslings@yahoo.co.uk	
Horticultural Society	01672 810364 Marijke Craig	
Junior cricket club	pdewinton@savills.com	
Karate	07775 510143 Darren Pettifer	
Link Scheme	0771 7006787	
Member of Parliament	01380 729358 Claire Perry	
Parish Council	clerk@graftonparish.com 01672 811335	
PCC Secretary	01672 870266 Millie Lemon	
Pilates	07769 580148 Tracey Rich	
Police emergency	999 or 112	
Police non emergency	101 Jonathan Mills	
Salt/sand bags	07910 637 634 David Lemon	
St Nicholas' church	www.savernaketeam.org.uk	
Sunflowers at Grafton	01672 810478 Julie McLernon	
Wiltshire Good Neighbours	07557 110418	
Windmill Society	secretary@wiltonwindmill.co.uk	
Winter Warmers	01264 731242 Liz Hosier	
Yoga	01672 841553 Lizzy Hawnt	
Zumba	01672 484464 Joanna Bury	

Local commercial listing					
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