



# Community News

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## SEPTEMBER 2023

### Macmillan Coffee Morning

**You're  
invited**

**Macmillan's Coffee Morning is  
their biggest fundraising event to  
support people living with cancer**

Since 1990, Coffee Morning has raised over £290m for Macmillan. That is a tremendous amount of support to help people living with cancer to live life as fully as they can.

Join us this year for a jolly morning of coffee and cake and catching up with neighbours and friends – and help raise money for the amazing people at Macmillan Cancer Support.

**Friday 29 September  
10.30am to 12pm**

**Coronation Hall, East Grafton**

This community event is organised annually by Sunflowers at Grafton. Email [admin@sunflowers-grafton.co.uk](mailto:admin@sunflowers-grafton.co.uk) or call **01672 810478** if you'd like to help by baking for us or for more information.

### Wilton Windmill Opens for National Heritage Open Days



As part of the nationwide programme Wilton Windmill, the only working windmill in Wessex, will be open on Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th September during our usual hours of 2:00pm - 4.30pm

Free Guided Tours will be available to parties of up to ten and the shepherd's hut will be open for the sale of refreshments and souvenirs.

Visit a fully operational windmill and see what it would have looked like over 200 years ago!



### Harvest Celebrations

**29 September 2023**



The annual Harvest Supper will be held at Coronation Hall on Friday 29 September 2023 please arrive from 7.00pm for dinner from 7.30pm

**Tickets - are £20 per person  
which includes supper and a glass of wine**

To reserve tickets, please contact:

Sally Butt 07880 551154 / [sallycbutt@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:sallycbutt@hotmail.co.uk)

Liz Hosier - 07831 545772 / [liz@wexcombefarm.co.uk](mailto:liz@wexcombefarm.co.uk)

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### Harvest Festival Service

**Sunday 1 October 2023 at 4.00pm**

St Nicholas' Church

Everyone welcome

Please bring food that can be given to the Trussell Trust:

Cereals, tins of soup / fruit / vegetables / beans  
pasta, rice, biscuits, UHT Milk or Fruit Juice

**Reminder:** Wiltshire Connect Bus Service includes Grafton Parish from Monday 4 September 2023.

The Wiltshire Connect - bookable bus service extends to Grafton, Bedwyn and Marlborough from Monday 4 September. Please use this service if you can to help make it financially sustainable. [www.connectingwiltshire.co.uk](http://www.connectingwiltshire.co.uk)



**Date for your Diary.....  
Bag2School Collection  
Monday 16 October - 9am**



It must be time for a clear out! Sunflowers at Grafton have a Bag2School collection on Monday 16 October so take the opportunity to clear your cupboards and help us raise funds.

Please bear in mind that items are for re-use rather than recycling. Bag up good quality used adult and child clothes, bags, paired shoes and socks, belts, hats, scarves, ties and jewellery. Bag2School also take soft toys and household linens and curtains (but not duvets, pillows, cushions or blankets thank you).

Use existing plastic bags that you have at home to bundle your contribution. Spread the word to family and friends – encourage them to have a clear out too.

The more we collect the more money we raise!

We have very limited storage space at Sunflowers so please don't drop your bags before Friday 14 October.

## Parliamentary Boundary Changes

The forthcoming Parliamentary Boundary Changes mean that at the next General Election we will be in the new East Wiltshire Constituency - comprising Marlborough, Pewsey, Tidworth & Ludgershall and also taking in Amesbury and Wroughton. Devizes and the surrounding villages will form a new Constituency - Melksham & Devizes.

The background to the Boundary Review is that the Boundary Commission is required by law to review Parliamentary Boundaries every eight years to ensure that the numbers of voters in each Constituency is broadly equal. Currently Wiltshire has seven Constituencies but population growth in the county means that the new boundaries allocate 7.5 Constituencies to Wiltshire - the "half" being a cross-border constituency with Gloucestershire in the Malmesbury and Cirencester areas, known as the South Cotswolds.

There has been an extensive public consultation programme over the last few years to refine the Boundary Commission's proposals - this has now been completed and the next General Election will therefore be on the new boundaries. For now though we are still in the current Devizes Constituency and our MP is Danny Kruger.

For further details, please take a look at the following:

<https://boundarycommissionforengland.independent.gov.uk/2023-review/>

## Our Burbage Doctors Write

**Covid / Flu vaccine update:** Please come and have these done at the Burbage Surgery

The flu jabs will arrive in mid-September. We have pm/evening clinics planned for these on Monday 18 September and Monday 2 October - we will also offer ad hoc appointments at other times to suit.

We will be delivering the autumn Covid booster vaccinations here at the Surgery from early October. We are keen to do flu jabs at the same time.

The clinics will be on Monday afternoon/ evenings and you will be invited to book in by phone/ text message as soon as we have our delivery dates confirmed.

You will probably get invitations from the NHS to go to a national booking centre, but please do arrange to have your booster here at the Surgery, our system works very efficiently and we would like to vaccinate as many of you here as we can.

The eligible Covid cohorts are :

- all adults aged 65 years and over
- persons aged 6 months to 64 years in a clinical risk group,
- frontline health and social care workers
- persons aged 12 to 64 years who are household contacts of people with immunosuppression
- persons aged 16 to 64 years who are carers, and staff working in care homes for older adults

Please keep an eye on our Facebook page and website for further information which we will get to you as soon as we know more.

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Sunflowers at Grafton	Julie McLernon	01672 810478
Swan Inn	Bill Clemence	01672 870274
Pinckneys Farm Shop	Wendy Skardon	07989 228864
Yoga	Tim Brew	07747 780898

## Mobile Library

Wiltshire Council has updated the Library Service's webpage -  
[apps.wiltshire.gov.uk/librariesinformation/Library/Mobiles](https://apps.wiltshire.gov.uk/librariesinformation/Library/Mobiles)

## East Grafton Coronation Hall

To book Coronation Hall or to find details on how to hire trestle tables visit: [www.graftonparish.com](http://www.graftonparish.com) or contact as follows:

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# Dates for your diary

## September

03	11:00	Holy Communion	St Nicholas' Church
04	19:30	Grafton Parish Council Meeting	Coronation Hall
04	13:15	Alzheimers Support Group	Coronation Hall
09/10	14:00	Heritage Open Days	Wilton Windmill
18	13:15	Alzheimers Support Group	Coronation Hall
23	10:30	Steaming Day/Weekend	Crofton Beam Engines
24	10:30	Steaming Day/Weekend	Crofton Beam Engines
29	10:30	Macmillan Coffee Morning	Coronation Hall
29	19:00	Harvest Supper	Coronation Hall

## October

01	16:00	Harvest Festival Service	St Nicholas'
02	13:15	Alzheimers Support Group	Coronation Hall
16	13:15	Alzheimers Support Group	Coronation Hall
16	09:00	Bag2School	Sunflowers at Grafton

## Local Clubs

Windmill Society	secretary@wiltonwindmill.co.uk
Horticultural Society	01672 810364 Marijke Craig
Crofton Beam Engines	crofton@katrust.org.uk
Grafton Goslings Baby & Toddler Group	graftongoslings@yahoo.co.uk
Dance classes	07746 479345 Charlotte Price
Yoga	07747 780898 Tim Brew
Zumba	07710 115324 Joanna Bury

## Coronation Hall Regular Dates

Monday (weekly in term-time)	Charlotte Price	16:45
Tuesday (weekly in term-time)	Zumba	09:30
Tuesday (weekly in term-time)	Charlotte Price	16:15
Tuesday	TimmyB Yoga	19:00
Wednesday	TimmyB Yoga	09:30
Wednesday (weekly in term-time)	Charlotte Price	15:30
Thursday (weekly in term-time)	Grafton Goslings	10:00
Thursday (weekly in term-time)	Charlotte Price	16:45
Monday (1st & 3rd in month)	Alzheimer's Cafe	13:15
Tuesday (1st in month from October)	Winter Warmers	12:30



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Marten: Richard **07795 636767**

West Grafton: Annie **07802 923344**

Wilton: Tara **07833 320951**

Wexcombe: George **07786 332950**



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