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Our past sessions have introduced and will continue to explore, the many skills which are listed here:

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An 'ELFY way to kick off Christmas

Get festive, have fun and support our community this Christmas by signing up for our Santa Fun Run on Sunday 4 December. Join hundreds of stylish Santas taking part in our 1.5km or 5km fun run at Spiceball Park, Banbury. We ho ho hope you can join us! Tickets are available to buy on our website now! www.khh.org.uk/santa

Getting Christmas wrapped up

It may be the most wonderful time of the year, but it can also be one of the busiest – so why not tick wrapping off your long to-do list and support our hospice at the same time! A team of willing volunteers will be ready and waiting to gift wrap your pressies on 9 and 10 December at Banbury Castle Quay. If you could help support this event by joining our wrapping crew, email getinvolved@khh.org.uk or sign up on our website: www.khh.org.uk/collectiondays.

Lights of Love – 8 December

Our annual Lights of Love event is taking place on Thursday 8 December at St Mary's Church, Banbury. We'd love you to join us for a special gathering where we come together to remember and celebrate the lives of those we have loved and lost. Everyone is welcome – people of all faiths or none. Find out more and register to join us here: www.khh.org.uk/lights.

Tractor Run returns

Once again, RC Baker will be bringing the X factor to tractors this Christmas. The hugely popular Tractor Run will be bringing all the glitz and glam of the festive season on Saturday 17 December. Don't miss the fleet of fairy-lit tractors taking a tour around local villages to spread some Christmas cheer and raise money for Katharine House Hospice. To help plan your evening, you can find all the details as well as the route and timings on our website. www.khh.org.uk/tractor

Could you be a Village Champion for Katharine House?

We're looking for volunteers to help put up posters three or four times a year in their local village to help us spread the word about our upcoming events. We already have some brilliant Village Champions, but we're looking to recruit even more. If you think you could help, then we'd love to hear from you. Send an email to getinvolved@khh.org.uk or find out more on our website.

Try our Tree-cycle scheme

Our Tree-cycle scheme is back – and available in even more areas! So instead of worrying about how to environmentally dispose of your tree after all the festivities are over, you can make a donation to Katharine House Hospice and, in return, we will send one of our elves to collect and recycle your tree. Head to our website to find out more and check if your postcode is included in the scheme. www.khh.org.uk/christmastree

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Hi everyone,

There is so much going on at the moment in St Nicholas.

Firstly: The Harvest Celebration was a great success .

With Mike using his great skills as auctioneer and Louise his banker.

Not so many veg and fruit this year but Jennifer's apple crumbles were a great success, and the total of £406.62 was sent to Ukraine Relief.

Pet Blessing Service on Sunday October 23rd will (hopefully) have been fun.

Our Carol Service on December 13th will be followed by Mulled Wine and mince pies in the Church. We will do our best to warm up the Church .

We have a Concert by a group The Skeptics on December 2nd see the poster further in The Link. It looks as if could be a lovely evening
Look forward to seeing you all.

Carla is organising a Christmas Party for the children details on page 43.

We continue to do Church Flowers minus oasis, you are doing a great job
team The Church looks Fab.

The men continue to keep the Church yard in top condition always neat and tidy.

Chris has explained to us at the last meeting the workings of the WIFI and Zoom meetings. This will be great for someone like Jane Asser who misses Tadmerton very much, we still chat to her regularly.

Our Tuesday coffee morning gets more popular, we now attract friend from other villages. We have recently sent a Cheque to Age Concern U.K. for £190, money collected from our Cake donations.

We are so grateful to the Village Hall for letting us use the facilities it's a light at the end of the tunnel on these cold days.

Well time to go folks, keep safe and warm and remember we live in a very caring village.

God Bless Shirley W.

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A bumper harvest supper!

Swalcliffe held its annual Harvest Supper on Saturday 8th October and the 78 guests were all delighted to be back in the newly refurbished and beautifully decorated Village Hall.

It was a super evening much enjoyed by everyone; a delicious three-course dinner with all the food generously donated by people in the village, a very busy licensed bar(!) and most of all a convivial atmosphere as friends and neighbours enjoyed eating together.

It turned out to be a bumper evening as we made a record profit of £1938 which goes towards the continued maintenance of our beautiful church.

This year we have completed three important projects to help conserve the historical and cultural heritage of the church for future generations, so this boost to running costs is greatly appreciated.

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November



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“It was the best kind of November day. Cold and crisp, but not quite freezing, not icy. Just cold enough that she could justifiably wear all her favourite clothes.”
(Rainbow Rowell, ‘Fangirl’)

SWALCLIFFE EVENTS :

Saturday 3rd December 12 noon – 3.30pm

Swalcliffe Christmas Market

in the church with 25 stalls selling artisan products and beautiful handmade Christmas gifts and decorations. Featuring the ever-popular Grand Raffle with a Daylesford Food Hamper as the top prize – raffle tickets on sale from the beginning of November.

Saturday 10th December at 7pm

‘A Celebration of Christmas’

A concert of uplifting music and poetry with **Brackley Wind Orchestra**. All welcome. Tickets £10 (children under 16 free) for sale online at www.swalcliffe.org from mid-October.

Thursday 22nd December at 6pm

Carols on the Green followed by Swalcliffe’s unforgettable theatrical evening - “**A Star-Studded Nativity**” – in the church with refreshments provided. An event not to be missed!!

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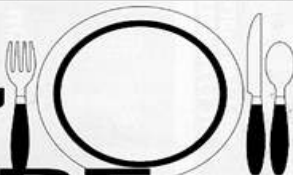


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November

Sunday 6th 10.30am Benefice Eucharist at Swalcliffe (NB)
 Sunday 13th 10.55am Remembrance Service (GE)
 Sunday 20th 11.00am Holy Communion (JT)
 Sunday 27th 11.00am St Nicholas Service (NB)

December

Sunday 4th 10.30am Benefice Eucharist at Shutford (NB)

Zoom Services until further notice, for joining instructions please refer to the Benefice web site www.wykehambenefice.org.uk and The Rector or The Rev'd John Tattersall

Sundays (ZOOM) 6.00pm New look Benefice Evening Worship (NB)

Wednesdays (ZOOM) 6.00pm Benefice Evening prayer service (NB)

Tuesdays in Tadmarton Church

9.00am Morning Prayers (NB)
 10.00 am HC (NB)

Rector: The Rev'd Neil Bowler (NB) Tel: 01295 788005
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Swalcliffe Church Services in November:

Sunday 6th November – 11.00am Holy Communion for the Benefice (The Rev'd Neil Bowler)

Sunday 13th November – 9.30am Holy Communion followed by Act of Remembrance (The Rev'd Canon John Tattersall)

Sunday 20th November – 6.00pm Evensong (Jocelyn Meris LLM)

Sunday 27th November – 9.30am Holy Communion (The Rev'd Dr David Pym)

There will be also be a Benefice Eucharist at Shutford at 11.00am on Sunday 4th December, led by the Reverend Neil Bowler.

Don't forget the Swalcliffe Christmas Market in the Church from 12 noon on Saturday 3rd December, and the Brackley Wind Ensemble concert at 7pm on Saturday 10th December (tickets from <https://www.swalcliffe.org/concerts>)

SWALCLIFFE & TADMARTON
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Patient Participation Group (PPG) update for village newsletters

We're pleased to share the headline news from the recent October PPG meeting.

Our Practice Manager, Di Waller, shared the following information:

Consultations by phone or face to face

- Total calls for September 8,511 – Just short of 400 per day
- Telephone call consultations 3,145
- Face to Face consultations 4,347
- Dispensary Calls 1,019

Prescriptions

- Over 9000 + prescription items dispensed by the pharmacy. (This does not include the prescriptions for patients to whom we cannot dispense for, or for those patients who choose to go elsewhere.)
- A significant number of prescriptions continue to remain uncollected every month wasting time, money and valuable medication.

Our meeting was attended by Emma Teasdale of Healthwatch, Oxford who told us about her work supporting health initiatives and researching the views of all health service users across the county. Further details about Healthwatch can be found at: <https://healthwatchoxfordshire.co.uk>

The proposed new housing developments in Hook Norton and Milcombe and their potential impact on health services was discussed. It seems possible that we might see a further 300+ new homes being built which is likely to generate 1000 patients additional to our current 8,000.

Neither Bloxham nor Hook Norton surgeries has space or land to expand and existing buildings and facilities are already overstretched.

It was unanimously agreed that the PPG should raise these concerns with our M.P., local councillors and the relevant planning authorities.

We shall write again early in the New Year but in the meantime please remember to continue to check the Practice website for news and announcements.

<https://www.bloxhamsurgery.co.uk>

Thank you.

SWALCLIFFE CHRISTMAS MARKET

Saturday 3rd December 2022
At Swalcliffe Church
From 12 noon to 3.30pm

Swalcliffe is the place to be on Saturday 3 December as the village hosts another exciting Christmas Market including:
 Market stalls with local traders featuring an array of crafting skills and products

Raffle with luxury Christmas Hampers

Popular German style bratwurst stall

Entrance fee £2 (children go free)

All proceeds will be shared between three
 Swalcliffe community causes/projects
 (Swalcliffe Church, Swalcliffe Village Hall
 and the Woodland Play Park)



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**Everyone warmly
welcomed**

BONFIRE NIGHT vs DOMESTIC AND WILD ANIMALS

Its that time of the year where we are sending our money up into space. For those who like me love animals, it is a time of dread.

Working for the RSPCA and animal wildlife rescue, I have seen horrific injuries caused by fireworks and bonfires.

Not wanting to be a party pooper I am just calling people up to be sensible and think before they light.

A lot of wildlife will be making their beds for the winter and what better to use than a pile of old wood, leaves and other burnable items.

Many pets are petrified for the bangers with hearing 100 times more sensitive then ours.

SO PLEASE PLEASE PLEASE take extra care and ask yourself if you really need to.....

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We have had a very positive and fun-filled first half-term here at Sibford Gower Endowed Primary School. Our Year 5 & 6 Oak Class children ventured off to Shropshire for a four night residential at Condover Hall. They had a really wonderful time, challenging themselves to try things they hadn't done before and learning new things about themselves. From kayaking to laser quest, buggy building to high ropes, every day had something new and the children made the most of it. The staff at Condover commented really positively about how respectful and polite all of the children were.

Back at school, Willow class had a focus on Black History month, finding out about all sorts of things about important people and events in the history of the African diaspora. As well as researching and sharing lots of facts, they created some lovely art work too using a range of media including collage, pastel, paint and pen. A small group of our oldest children worked together to create a 'pop-art' jigsaw image of Nelson Mandela, creating pieces separately and then putting them together, to striking effect.

To support and enrich their learning in R.E, Willow Class children walked down to the church in Sibford Gower, where they were met by Revd. Neil Bowler, who also happens to be one of our governors. He talked with them about the Bishop of Oxford and the special chair he sits in and explained all sorts of things about the significance and use of items around the church. The children really enjoyed finding out about some of the detail, including discovering that there is plug hole at the bottom of the font!



OPEN MORNINGS FOR OUR SEPTEMBER 2023 RECEPTION YEAR

We are holding Open Mornings for parents of children who may be considering applying for a Reception place here next September. These are scheduled to take place on Saturday mornings from 9:30 to 11:00 a.m on Saturday 19th November and Saturday 26th November. If you think we might be the right fit for your child, please do come along to visit the classroom and meet staff.

Nursery provision for children aged 3+

If you have a nursery-aged child and are considering us as a setting, you are very welcome to contact the school to arrange a visit and a chat, or come along to one of the open mornings. Your child can join us at any time from the term after they are three and all 3 and 4 year olds are entitled to 15 funded hours of early education per week.

To find out more about our nursery, please look on our school website at <http://www.sibford-gower.oxon.sch.uk/nursery-provision-admission.html>

"From little acorns... mighty oaks do grow"

To find out more about our wonderful, welcoming village school and the things that are going on in each class, please take some time to visit our school website at

<http://www.sibford-gower.oxon.sch.uk/>

Holiday Cottage in Cornwall

On the beautiful north coast in Poldark country, character cottage set in a large south-facing enclosed garden, is available for holiday lets.

Scrumbles Hollow sleeps six in three double bedrooms, one with ensuite shower room, plus a family bathroom. Full central heating.

The spacious cottage has an open fire place in a cosy sitting room, while the dining room boasts a log burner. Fully equipped kitchen and separate utility room for sorting out sportswear after a day on the beach or walking the breath-taking countryside.

Lots of good local pubs and restaurants, shops and galleries. Excellent public transport connections, including Newquay airport (half an hour by car).

For more information, please contact Linda on 01295 780 242 or 07973 226 032 or lindalaneyolo@gmail.com



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Answers can be found on Page 35:

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CODEWORDS

are like crossword puzzles - but have no clues! Instead, every letter of the alphabet has been replaced by a number, the same number representing the same letter throughout the puzzle. All you have to do is decide which letter is represented by which number! To start you off, we reveal the codes for two or three letters. When you've filled in these letters throughout the puzzle, you'll have enough clues to start guessing words and discovering other letters.

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Jonathan Perry

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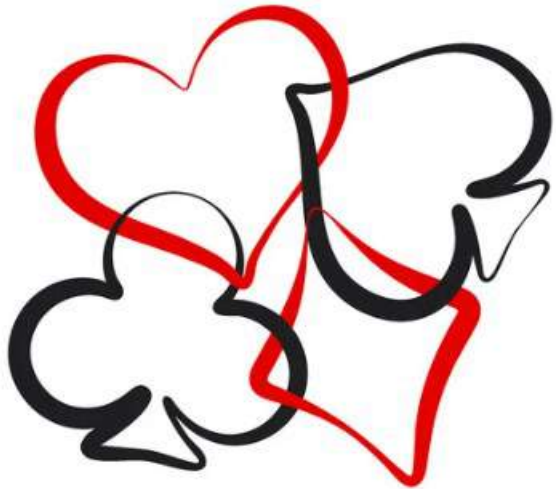
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Swalcliffe Bridge Group



Do you play bridge? Have you played in the past, but are now slightly rusty and need to refresh your technique? Or perhaps you have never played, but would like to start....

Whatever your level of experience - or none- if you would like to play, do think about joining the Swalcliffe bridge group. We are a very friendly, informal group of players at very different levels, who play a light hearted game in "The Stag's Head" every Monday afternoon.

Expert tuition is on hand if required and tea and cake is provided. If you are interested, please phone Jenny Bell on 780129, or just turn up at "The Stag's Head" at 2.30 on any Monday afternoon.

Whatever your level, with or without a partner, you will be very welcome.

Jenny Bell
On behalf of the Swalcliffe bridge group

**A big THANK YOU from the:
2022 Macmillan coffee morning team.**

Thank you to those who: donated, came for the coffee, provided cakes and raffle prizes, gave us a helping hand and those who bought raffle tickets.

Originally postponed due to the death of the queen the turnout on the “new” date was great and we collected **£1000.80.**

We look forward to seeing you next year.

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Burns Supper

Sat 21st Jan 2023 - Swalcliffe Village Hall



Join us for a traditional celebration in honour of Robbie Burns



7pm - 11pm

Menu

Cock-a-Leekie soup*

Haggis*, Neeps & Tatties with whiskey cream sauce

Tipsy Laird Scottish Trifle*

Selection of cheese & biscuits

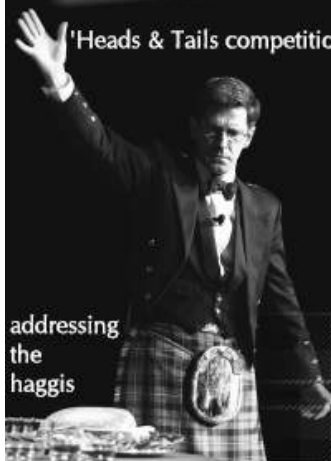
*Vegetarian option is available (order when booking ticket please)

An evening not to be missed

£25.00 per person
includes 4 course meal & 'wee dram'

auld lang syne

'Heads & Tails competition'



addressing the haggis



why not wear something tartan?

For tickets contact Alleen on pandatoby@gmail.com or book online by visiting:

www.swalcliffe.org

Raising money for the Swalcliffe village

NEW TIMETABLE. Stagecoach Bus-services between Stratford and Banbury.0345 241 8000 email: midlands.enquiries@stagecoachbus.comWebsite: <https://www.stagecoachbus.com/about/oxfordshire>

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Halford	0627			1040		
Alderminster			0805		1328	1651
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Swalcliffe church	0700	0839	0841	1113	1403	1735
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Sibford Ferris	1157	1201	1452	1452	1757	
Sibford Gower	1158	1202	1453	1453	1758	
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FESTIVE FIESTA RAFFLE TICKETS !!



If you live in Tadmarton you should have received an envelope with 2 books of raffle tickets with this link.

They will be collected in the week leading up to the festive fiesta (19th November), alternatively you can drop off your envelope through the village hall letterbox, or hand it in to any village hall committee member.

Remember to fill in the stubs with your name, email / address and phone number.

You can pay in cash, by cheque or bank transfer (please let us know if this is what you would like to do).

Do you live in Swalcliffe and would you like to buy some tickets to enter our raffle please let Jane Fitzpatrick 01295-780451 or Helen Yeomans 01295-780426 know or come and see us on the day when tickets will be for sale (sta).

1st prize £100 in cash, 2nd prize is a Luxury Hamper, plus many more prizes (too many to list individually)



Codeword solution Nov 2022

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**TADMARTON PARISH COUNCIL****VACANCY NOTICES**

**"Your Parish
Council Needs
YOU"**

There are currently two vacancies to fill. The Parish Council is a tier of local government. We meet every six weeks in the village hall on a Monday night at 7pm. Our meetings last about one hour. Our responsibilities include setting a budget for the year, grass cutting, highway issues and commenting on planning applications amongst some others.

You could really make a difference and improve the village you live in.

If you would like further information please contact Christine Coles, the Parish Clerk on 01295 276229 or tadmartonpc@btinternet.com.

Swalcliffe Community Hall



We are happy to announce that the newly refurbished hall is open for business!

The Village Hall has been extensively modernised over the summer; involving new insulation, heating and decoration, together with new toilet facilities.

The Hall is now available again for bookings through the village website or directly to Tracy Lean: tracylean@gmail.com 01295 780710.

Our rates are: £12.00 per hour or part thereof (£10 for villagers); which includes all services and amenities.

The Hall is available for hire all year round.

It can accommodate up to 80 people seated and up to 100 people for gatherings or parties.

It has a projector, DVD and sound system.

The kitchen has been partially modernised. We await more funds to complete the renovation.

We also have local contacts to provide in-house catering if required.

We still have much to do, to continue to develop and maintain our hall; so your support in using it, supporting our fund-raising activities and any donations are much appreciated.

We are very keen to attract local teachers of various classes, if you know someone who would like to run a class locally, please pass on our details.

If you would like to see a class in a particular subject held in the hall, then please contact us.

AND FINALLY.... we are looking for enthusiastic volunteers to join the hall committee to take the hall forward through this exciting time!

All ideas or contributions welcome - Steve Gandy,

Parish Councillor: steve.gandy@swalcliffevillage.co.uk 07860 397420

Notes from the editor:

Firstly: well done to Sarah for running the London Marathon and excellent fundraising, read her story on page 44.

With the Autumn having taken a firm hold the best sunrises are on the horizon. Take your camera and send me some beautiful shots. The winner will make it on the December front page.

Please remember that December will be a stand alone issue with the new year taking us to the beginning of bi-monthly issues. So no need to think about January just yet – Phew!!

There are quite a few fundraisers taking place over the next 2 months, if you can, make sure to support your local villages. The village halls are busy bringing you what you would like to see, from coffee mornings to classes. No rest for the wicked.

The kids film club is back on in Tadmarton, together with the craft club and play club, there is plenty to give you some respite from entertaining the youngsters.

Do you know of anybody who is lonely and could do with some company but has not yet picked up the courage to mingle, try to encourage them to the Taddy film club, we love seeing new faces (as well as the true fans), and there is no need to be chatty if you don't want to. There is always a fresh cuppa ready as well as interval icecreams. Remember though that we need a minimum of 6 on a Wednesday matinee to run the show.

There will be some extra coffee mornings on during the winter to accommodate swap clubs etc. and to fight loneliness more info on this will come your way next month and via our newsletter.

Lets look after each other, Happy November everyone.

Banbury Victorian Christmas Market 25-27th November

LSD Promotions, in partnership with Banbury BID are very excited to announce that applications are now **OPEN** to traders for the Banbury Victorian Christmas Market 2022, taking place from Friday 25th until Sunday 27th November. 100 stalls, street performers, live entertainment, and all-round Festive fun.

This event is operated in partnership with Banbury BID and supported By Banbury Town Council and Cherwell District Council.

Followed by the Big Christmas Lights Switch on on the 27th November.

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My name is Carole Weston and I live in Deddington, but my family are from Tadmarton and Swalcliffe. My mother's maiden name was Margaret Freeman, and my father was Ronald Mepham. I recently had the opportunity to visit the Kranji War Graves Cemetery in Singapore and complete a long held wish to pay respects to a family member who sadly died during WW2. My mother's cousin was Bernard Austin Freeman, and he may have surviving relatives living locally and I hope they would be pleased to know that I was able to lay a wreath in his name. Bernard's story is one which has always saddened me as I try to imagine how a young man was taken from his life in and around a North Oxfordshire village and sent halfway round the world to fight in a country that could not have been more different than the one he left. The heat in Singapore is harsh and oppressive and no doubt none of the men sent there had ever encountered such conditions before. Bernard's full story can be found on the web site "The Fallen of Tadmarton" and is fascinating but chilling account of his time in Singapore and other areas as a serving soldier and a POW and I recommend you read this report when thinking of the fallen during the period of remembrance.



Bernard lost his life while being transported by the Japanese by sea to Japan, the ship he was in was attacked by American forces as it had no markings that it was carrying POW's and as such he has no known grave. I laid a wreath at his name which is etched on a column at the top of a hill overlooking the cemetery which is a beautiful, peaceful place surrounded by lush vegetation and gardens. Like all the cemeteries under the War Grave Commissions care it is extremely well cared for and the Singapore nation still hold the sacrifices of our soldiers in great respect. Singapore is a destination known for its tourism, architecture, food and shopping but I recommend you do what I did, hire a driver to go and visit this cemetery and spend a quiet time remembering all those whose names are etched in stone. I have several photos of the cemetery if any descendant of Bernard would like to have copies, please contact me through the newsletter.

TADMARTON VILLAGE HALL NEWS

Our next monthly **Coffee Morning** 10 am – 11.30 am will held be on Saturday 12th November.

Seniors Lunch Club - every 4th Friday of the month. Contact Shirley on 780596 for details. **Christmas Lunch - Friday 25th November**

Tuesday Coffee Morning - every week 10.30 am to 12 noon.

Computer Club – 1st Tuesday of the month 10.30 am to 12.30 pm. Contact Pat Pierce on 722643 for details.

Fancy a dance then come along to **Tadmarton Folk Dancing Club** – Tuesdays 7.45pm to 9.45pm.

Tadmarton Film Club – 2 showings to choose from:
Last Saturday of the month @ 7.30pm and following Wednesday @ 1.30pm

Kids & Caffeine - last Saturday of the month 10 am – 12 noon.

Sew in Company

Sunday 13th November 1.30pm to 4.30pm

Sunday 11st December 1.30pm to 4.30pm

If you wish to make a booking, please do so on our online booking system at www.tadmartonvillage.co.uk/village-hall or if you would like to join our happy band of volunteers, please contact us.

Jane Fitzpatrick

jane@leisure-interiors.com

Tel: 780451 or 07711 794133

Helen Yeomans

helen@barncroftbook-keeping.co.uk

Tel: 780426 or 07947 724502



**TADMARTON VILLAGE
FIND US ON FACEBOOK**

or visit www.tadmartonvillage.co.uk

What's on!

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TADMARTON VILLAGE HALL

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Kids Christmas Party

At
Tadmarton Village Hall
On
Saturday 17th December
10am – 12noon

Tickets £5 each

- Christmas Disco
- Visit Father Christmas
- Christmas Craft
- Make a Christingle
- Christmas Buffet

Booking essential. Contact Carla at
taddyvillagehall@gmail.com or on
07749100398



London Marathon Success!

It has certainly been a journey and a long one at that!

In October 2021 I decided that I wanted to raise money for charity and try to complete the London Marathon.

Shortly after I received my notification that I had secured a place to run for Cancer Research UK.

Those of you who have followed my story will know that this is a charity close to my heart having lost two of my grandparents to cancer.

I was then faced with the mammoth task of raising £5000 and starting my long distance running training.

I am delighted to share with you now that I have both achieved completing the London marathon and thrashing my fundraising target by nearly a thousand pounds.

I would like to say a huge THANK YOU to all the people who have helped me by donating to my fundraising page, participating in my prize draw and to my friends and family (and Max my four-legged training companion) who have had to put up with being the support crew for my training!

Training complete, the big day finally arrived – a small spanner in the works with the train strikes -and we were London bound at last!

Having consumed my body weight in pizza and pasta the night before I was race ready and my trusty support crew all had their planned mile meeting spots to head to; equipped with bananas and snacks to fuel me on my way! There were a few concerns about the weather but thankfully it was a beautiful, sunny day as I ran (well waddled) round the London sights for 26.2 miles.

Thank – you!