

The Link December 2022

News and information covering Tadmarton and Swalcliffe

Kids Christmas Party
At
Tadmarton Village Hall
On
Saturday 17th December
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- Christmas Disco
- Visit Father Christmas
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- Christmas Buffet

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Tadmarton Village Website

www.tadmartonvillage.co.uk

Swalcliffe Village Website

www.swalcliffevillage.co.uk

Keep Clear Signage

Tadmarton



“Keep Clear” signage has now been installed on both sides of the lane leading from Church Furlong and the Village Hall carpark.

The signage was installed as a request from Parishioners who expressed safety concerns when pulling out from the lane onto the main road. Their “sight lines” were being obscured by vehicles parking too close to the junction.

In addition, more personal space was needed for passengers, when they are getting on and disembarking from buses. It also, now, provides a clear and safe drop off and pick up area for the elderly and infirm and, let us not forget, it will also allow people to use the bench without being hindered by being too close to the side of a parked vehicle.

“Keep Clear” was installed by Oxfordshire County Council Highways and we would ask everyone to respect the signage and ensure the areas remain clear of all vehicles at all times.

This will ensure the safety and comfort of everyone.

Tadmarton Parish Council

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We are responsible for setting a budget, liaising with the District and County Council, looking at planning applications as a consultee amongst other things.

We meet every six weeks in the village hall for about an hour.

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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


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Sunday 11th December – 9.30am Holy Communion
(The Rev'd Neil Bowler)

Sunday 18th December – 6.00pm – Evensong with Carols
(Jocelyn Merris LLM)

Christmas Day 25th December – 11.00am Family Communion
(The Rev'd Canon John Tattersall)

In addition there will be a Benefice Eucharist on Sunday 4th December at 11.00am at Shutford and on Sunday 1st January 2023 at 10.30am at Sibford, both led by the Reverend Neil Bowler. Morning Prayer is said in the Church at 9.00am every Friday.

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>)



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Tractor Run route

The ever-popular RC Baker Tractor Run is back – and this time they really are going the extra mile! A new extended route has been announced for this year taking the fairy-lit fleet into the heart of Banbury. We cannot wait for the buzz and the bling of the Tractor Run, so make sure you get Saturday 17 December in your diaries. You can find the route map, timings and details of how you can donate to this event here: www.khh.org.uk/tractor.

O Christmas Tree, O Christmas Tree...

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 post code is included in the scheme. www.khh.org.uk/christmastree

Spread some cheer and volunteer!

We couldn't run our events or continue to provide all our services without the support of our brilliant volunteers. We're always on the lookout for new volunteers, but especially around Christmas when we're running lots of events and adding extra touches to make the season even more special. If you think you can help, take a look at the seasonal roles available on our website: www.khh.org.uk/FestiveVolunteer.

The gift that keeps on giving

If you're after a great idea for Christmas pressies, then we think our Charity Calendar for 2023 makes a great gift. The calendar features 12 stunning local scenes – taken by talented members of Banbury Camera Club – and helps to raise vital funds for our hospice. You can pick up your calendars as well as our fantastic range of Christmas cards in one of our shops or find them in the Christmas Shop on our website. www.khh.org.uk/christmas-shop

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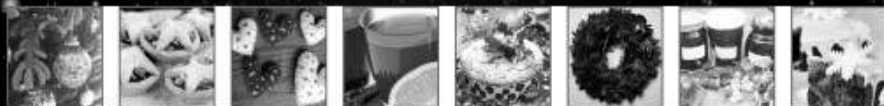
Swalcliffe is the place to be on Saturday 3 December as the village hosts another exciting Christmas Market including:
Market stalls with local traders featuring an array of crafting skills and products

Raffle with luxury Christmas Hampers

Popular German style bratwurst stall

Entrance fee £2 (children go free)

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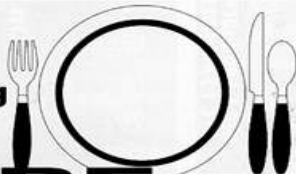


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December

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 Sunday 11th 11.00am Holy Communion (JT)
 Tuesday 13th 7.00pm Traditional Carol Service (NB)
 Sunday 18th 11.00am Holy Communion (JT)
 Sunday 25th 10.00am Family Communion

January

Sunday 1st 10.30am Benefice Eucharist at Sibford (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
 The Rev'd John Tattersall (JT) Tel: 01295 780283

SWALCLIFFE & TADMARTON
HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Our next meeting is on:
Thursday 8th December 2022
Tadmarton Village Hall – **7.30pm**. (Note change in time)
Our speaker is John Gibson who will be talking on:

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December



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“How did it get so late so soon? It’s night before its afternoon. December is here before its June. My goodness how the time has flown. How did it get so late so soon?” (Dr Seuss)

Ascott Martyrs

I am self-publishing a book on the Ascott Martyrs. In my research I have come across a reference to the "Tadmarton Incident" (a farmer/worker dispute around 1872) but I cannot find any more information. Can anyone in Tadmarton help?

Many Thanks

Paul Jackson

Ascott Martyrs Educational Trust

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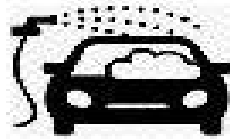
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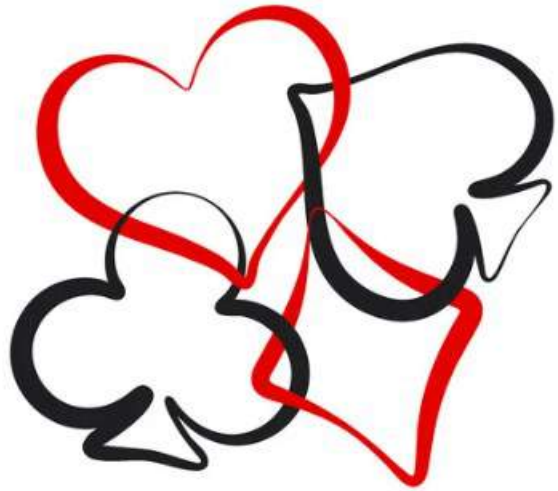
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Jenny Bell
On behalf of the Swalcliffe bridge group

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October 2022

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30 – Trudy Tomlin £15

208 – Sheila Wilson £10

8 – Angie Hadfield £10

72 – Susan Heath-Flower £5

22 – Pete Phipps £5



November 2022

218 – Magnus Grimmond £15

176 – Graham Warren £10

69 – Viv Crotty £5

139 – Chris Jackson £5

Remember you have to be in it to win it.

Tickets for the 2023 season go up for sale soon.

Reserve your number now!!

Contact any village hall committee member –see page 5

Answers can be found on Page

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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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Waste collection Details December 2022

December 2022

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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)

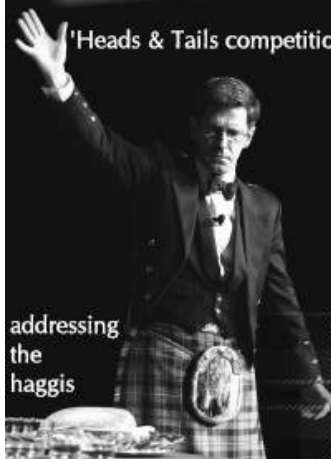
An evening
not to be missed

£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 Aileen 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>

75+75A+75B	Mon- Sat	Mon-Sat Term time	Sat Half term	Mon-Sat	Mon-Sat	Saturday
Stratford (Nat West)	0602	0730		1015		
Stratford (Mac Donalds)	0604	0732	0752	1017	1315	1638
Ettington	0618			1031		
Halford	0627			1040		
Alderminster			0805		1328	1651
Shipston (Garage)	0640	0821	0821	1053	1343	1713
Lower Brailes	0648	0829	0829	1101	1351	1723
Sibford Gower	0656	0836	0837	1109	1359	1731
Sibford Ferris	0657	0837	0838	1110	1400	1732
Swalcliffe church	0700	0839	0841	1113	1403	1735
Tadmarton Church	0701	0840	0843	1115	1405	1737
Lower Tadmarton	0704	0845	0845	1117	1407	1739
Broughton	0708	0849	0850	1121	1412	1744
Banbury Bus Station Bay 2	0718	0900	0900	1131	1422	1754
75+75A+75B	Saturday	Mon-Fri	Mon-Fri Term time	Saturday	Mon-Sat	
Banbury Bus Station Bay 2	1135	1140	1435	1435	1740	
Broughton	11445	1150	1442	1442	1747	
Lower Tadmarton	1150	1154	1445	1445	1750	
Tadmarton church	1152	1156	1447	1447	1752	
Swalcliffe Church	1154	1158	1449	1449	1754	
Sibford Ferris	1157	1201	1452	1452	1757	
Sibford Gower	1158	1202	1453	1453	1758	
Lower Brailles	1207	1211	1502	1502	1808	
Shipston Garage	1216	1220	1511	1511	1818	
Halford	1228	1232		1523	1828	
Ettington	1234	1243		1529	1834	
Stratford (Mac Donalds)	1246	1254	1602	1541	1847	

Editorial Babble:

December is here and we have quite a few events on all through the month, should you be free, go and attend a few, a lot of work goes on behind the scenes and your support will be greatly appreciated.

Are you looking to run an event (birthday party, family get together etc), remember your local village hall is often a perfect option

We are nearing the new year and for me that means a whole lot of resolutions wriggling their way into my brain.

Now for those who have paid attention over the last 5 years, will know that I am a firm believer in changing things for the best avoiding the negatives if at all possible .

I am all up for doing things rather than leaving things.

So moving forward I will (hopefully):

convince people to make sure that their house names and numbers are clearly visible from the road to make life easier and as efficient as possible for ambulance persons, delivery drivers and the postie.

make people understand that not everybody is well off and FOOD-BANKS and HOMELESSNESS are facts we can all do something about.

If you are fortunate to be in a position where you can give without being adversely affected, please do so.

#create a better place for those who feel lonely or vulnerable.

continue to ask for respect for all that lives– yes this does include creepy crawlies and non fluffy animals.

#get you all to recognise the importance of a local pub (no drink driving and a fabulous way to get to know your neighbours –and put the world to right....

Now a quick reminder that we are going to bimonthly links from January onwards. Should you have any suggestions or articles I would be delighted to hear them .

Wishing you all a wonderful December, and look out for each other and we will see each other on the other side.

Mery

Before the ice is in the pools
 Before the skaters go,
 Or any check at nightfall
 Is tarnished by the snow

Before the fields have finished,
 Before the Christmas tree,
 Wonder upon wonder
 Will arrive to me!

Dear friends,

This beautiful poem by the 19th Century American poet, Emily Dickinson, it's said, captures the movement of the seasons, as we move forwards through December and into the New Year. But what it also does, I would suggest, is also to refocus us once again upon the 'Wonder upon wonder' that arrives to us all during this time. The birth of Jesus

However we might be celebrating Christmas this year, be it with family and friends, or may be quietly alone, be it may be attending one of the Christmas church services and village events taking place, what this time does do, is to give to us all individually and together, a chance to once again to wonder. To wonder at the birth of a child over 2000 years ago, who continues to shape and transform millions upon millions of people's lives across the World.

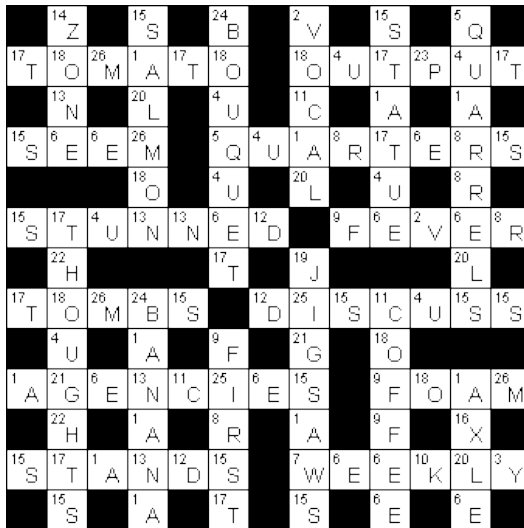
As a noun to wonder is said to encapsulate the feelings and emotions of amazement and admiration, caused by seeing or experiencing something beautiful, remarkable or maybe even unfamiliar. But as a verb to wonder is to raise questions, to ask and to reflect upon the meaning of something to us that we see or hear.

As we come to the end of one year with all the things that have happened to us and those we love, but also move forward into a new one, we celebrate the wonderment of the birth of Jesus, Emmanuel, God with us.

May I wish you all a wonderful Christmas.

Love & prayers
 Revd Neil
 Tel: 788005

Codeword solution Dec 2022



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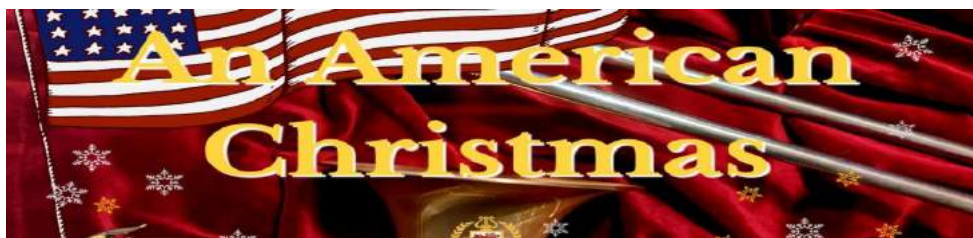
Anyone advertising in The Link will get a presence on our website with an optional direct link to their website or Facebook page.

There is also an option to only advertise in the directory for £10 per annum.

What's on!

02-12-22 The Skeptics concert	P 25	11-12-22 Sewing in company	P 19
03-12-22 Swalcliffe Xmas Market	P 15	17-12-22 Kids Christmas Party	P 1
08-12-22 Horti meeting	P 22	17-12-22 KH Tractor Bonanza	P 13
10-12-22 Taddy Coffee Morning		22-12-22 Carols on the Green	P 9
10-12-22 Taddy Kids Film	P 39	21-01-23 Burns Supper Swalcliffe	P 31
10-12-22 Swalcliffe Concert	P 9		

Christmas Concert



Wednesday, December 14 @ 7:30 pm - 9:30 pm FREE ENTREE

You are warmly invited to our special Christmas Concert, at St Mary & St John Church, Cowley Road, Oxford.

Come and enjoy songs from the shows, some American classics, as well as some more traditional Christmas favourites.

The concert is completely free but there will be a collection for *Oxford Mutual Aid* which offers help to people struggling this Christmas, including families on a low income, people living with disabilities, and those experiencing homelessness.

Register your place: <https://www.cosb.co.uk/event/christmas-concert>

Children's Activities

At Tadmarton Village Hall

Kids Film Club

Join us every 2nd Saturday of the month at 3pm and settle down and enjoy a movie on our BIG screen. Refreshments available. Running through autumn and winter only.

10th December – The Polar Express

14th January – Disney Z-O-M-B-I-E-S

11th February – High School Musical

Kids and Caffeine

We welcome you on the last Saturday of every month from 10am-12noon to enjoy tea and cake with fellow families. Plenty of toys and activities to entertain children from 0 – 12 years. Running all year.

Kids and Caffeine Crafts!

To run alternate months with the toy sessions, same time, same place. Six tables of different craft activities to make and create!

*28th Jan
(Craft)

*25th Feb
(Toys)

Kids Christmas Party

Saturday 17th December, 10am – 12noon. Tickets £5 each.

*Disco *Father Christmas *Craft *Christingle *Buffet

For more info call

Gemma 07872596603 or Carla 07749100398



As the nights draw in we have had a focus on 'light' here at Sibford Gower Endowed Primary School. This started with the very welcome return of the PTA Firework Extravaganza which really was spectacular. There was an excellent turn-out, from both the school and local community and people from further afield. The atmosphere was relaxed and friendly and a good time was had by all. The fireworks and the bonfire were very impressive, as was the guy made by Beech Class. Huge thanks to Andy Whitehead, Chris Cullen, Ali Smith, Charlotte Watkins and all the staff and parents who wrapped up warm to help. Brilliant!

The theme of light has continued as children from across the school have explored 'Festivals of Light'. All of the children have explored Diwali, through assemblies, story, Art & Design and R.E. They have made diva lamps out of paper, card or clay and really enjoyed learning about this important world-wide celebration. Children in KS2 are also learning about the Jewish festival of Hannukah, which this year begins on 18th of December and ends on the 26th. They will then move on to exploring the four themes of Advent as we move towards Christmas by focusing on the Candle of Hope, the Candle of Peace, the Candle of Love and the Candle of Joy.



Willow Class made beautiful poppy lanterns as part of our observance of Remembrance Day

Sport at Sibford Gower Children from Year 1 to Year 6 have taken part in Cross Country running events this half-term and we are so proud of them. As always, they have behaved in an exemplary way and been excellent ambassadors for our school. They also performed brilliantly in an event which included hundreds of children from 10 local primary schools.

Year 1&2 Girls	Came 2 nd overall with Cecily & Florence Gibson and Jessica Smith placed in the first 10.
Year 3&4 Girls	Came 1 st overall with Aura Tuthill taking 1 st place, Holly Rutledge a close 3 rd and Ember Watkins placed in the first 10
Year 3&4 Boys	Came 5 th overall with Liam White placed in the first 10
Year 5&6 Girls	Came 3 rd overall with Inca Watkins in the first 10
Year 5&6 Boys	Came 4 th overall with Andrew Rutledge taking 1 st place and Henry Boyles a very close 2 nd

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

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 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 or want to explore whether we might be, please do come along to visit the classroom and meet staff.

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/>