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## Everything you ever wanted to know about how to get online but were afraid to ask!

Northmoor Vision plans to run an Internet Learning Experience, in the Village Hall (or in your home) for people with little or no knowledge of how to get on line. The idea is to show you how to have fun with a computer – and to discover what value and fun it can bring to your life.

Would you be interested? All you would need to do is come along to the Village Hall for a cup of tea or coffee (maybe even a biscuit!) and have a chat with someone who can help you discover the wealth of fun and information the Internet can provide.

- Individual coaching
- Develop skills at your own pace
- Stay in touch with family and friends
- Make new friends!
- Free (apart from the refreshments!)
- And fun!!

Hello Grandma!  
I can see you!!

Now this is fun!!

Hello Sweetheart!!  
I can see you too!

If you are interested, or you have a neighbour or friend or relative who might be interested, please contact:

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Maureen Sears 01865 300350 searsmaureen@yahoo.co.uk

Northmoor Vision is an initiative supported by the Parish Council, the Village Hall Committee and the Parochial Parish Council

**Oxford Radcliffe Orchestra**  
Conductor: George Caird  
Saturday 10th March 2018 at 7.45pm  
Concert in aid of Bridewell Gardens  
Tingewick Hall, Academic Centre, John Radcliffe Hospital, Oxford  
Tickets £10 (£8 concessions, children under 16 free)  
The Oxford Radcliffe Orchestra gives concerts 3 times a year in aid of medical charities. The orchestra is made up of talented and enthusiastic musicians from the staff of the Oxford Health Services with a professional conductor and soloist.  
Tickets which include refreshments afterwards are available from Mary Elford on 07974 773854, the Cairns Library or on the door.  
[www.bridewellgardens.org](http://www.bridewellgardens.org)

### Village Hall Car Park!

Discussions are ongoing regarding the Village Hall Car Park, hopefully we can report more next time. In the meantime please be careful not to fall down a hole and look after those with you!

### A Note from the Editor

He's Behind You! Don't forget to join us for the legendary Stanton Harcourt Drama Group Pantomime, if you're not in it, someone you know will be! We're serving beer! and the editor will be making funny noises, hopefully on cue! - "Insert Thunderclap Here!"

## St Michael's Church

For help or advice on service arrangements contact  
Rev Drew Tweedy: ☎ 01865 880914 or Church Warden Sandy Rich ☎ 01865 881943, [sandy@rtinsurance.co.uk](mailto:sandy@rtinsurance.co.uk)  
[www.lowerwindrushbenefice.org](http://www.lowerwindrushbenefice.org)

### February Services (at Stanton Harcourt unless stated)

4th Feb 9.30 Parish Communion and Sunday School

11th Feb 10.30 Benefice Communion

14th Feb 10.00 Ash Wednesday Communion with Imposition of

Ashes **AT STANDLAKE**

18th Feb 9.30 All Age Worship

25th Feb 8.00 Holy Communion BCP

## Sutton Methodist Chapel

Contact: Rita Stockill ☎ 01865 880200

All regular services at 10am on Sundays

### February

4th Informal Gathering

11th Mr Kenneth Mumford

18th Mr Allen

25th no service

**Coffee Morning** 7th February 10-11:30

## The Catholic Church of St Peter

Abbey Street, Eynsham. The Catholic Church for Sutton &

Stanton Harcourt

Fr Mark Lagorio

☎ 01865 881613

[stpeterschurcheynsham@gmail.com](mailto:stpeterschurcheynsham@gmail.com)

Website: [www.stpeterseynsham.org.uk](http://www.stpeterseynsham.org.uk)

### Weekend Services

Sunday Mass 10.00am with a Children's Liturgy

Saturday Mass 5pm

**ASH WEDNESDAY** is on the 14th February this year. This is the first day of the 40 Days of Lent in which Christians prepare for Easter. On Ash Wednesday anyone can come forward to be marked with ash as a sign to God of their admission of past failings and a determination to try to serve God and others more faithfully in the future. Mass on this day is at 10.00am and 7.00pm

**ST PETER'S PANCAKE FEAST** is an ever popular event for all sorts of people who do not necessarily attend St Peter's. It is on Saturday 10th February from 10.30am – 1.00pm

**Deadline for next issue is 20th of the Month**  
[village-voice@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:village-voice@hotmail.co.uk)

**AS ALWAYS – Thank you to this month's contributors, reviewers, & deliverers**

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# Village Voice

The village newsletter for Stanton Harcourt & Sutton **February 2018**

### February

5th Parish Council

9th Half Term

19th Back to School!

22nd - CAMELOT - the Panto - At the Village

24th Hall - Get your tickets now!

### March

3th Toddler Group Jumble Sale

**A diary reminder** about the WaterMill Theatre's touring production of Burke and Hare on Sat 12th May. Put the date in your diary!

### Ask the GWR!

Have a say in the Railways with Robert Courts and the GWR! Thursday, 8th February at the Memorial Hall in Charlbury from 18:30 to 20:30

### Dog Poo!!! - Brown Lines - Don't Do it!

We've had record breaking reports of dog poo not being picked up from sutton through to blackditch and beyond. Some of these areas have day/night surveillance cameras so if it doesn't improve we'll have pictures next time!

Please don't leave your S\*\*! behind! #scoopthepoop

### Sign up now for garden waste collections

Letters are being sent to all householders in West Oxfordshire encouraging them to sign up for this year's garden waste collection service. The new subscription year starts from 1 April 2018 to 31 March 2019 and costs £30 per bin a year for fortnightly wheeled-bin collection. Householders that sign up before the 28 February can be sure of receiving their licence in good time for the start of the new subscription year and so be able to receive the maximum number of collections.

**Or save 30 quid and make a compost heap!**

## Village Cafe and Market

Village Market & Cafe starts again in March on the 2nd Saturday in the month (except August) from 12-2pm. New stallholders welcome. Dates for 2018 are:

10 March, 14 April, 12 May, 9 June, 14 July  
no market in August, 8 September, 13 October  
10 November, 8 December

**Residents can now report a missed bin collection** direct to our depot via our new online form: [www.westoxon.gov.uk/missedbin](http://www.westoxon.gov.uk/missedbin)



**A Pantomime for the whole family!**  
**Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> – Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> February**  
**Stanton Harcourt Village Hall**

**Performances 7:30pm daily**  
**Saturday matinee 2pm**

**Tickets £8 available from the Village Shop**  
or Steve Tuck - 01865 880306

**Thursday – all tickets just £6**  
**Matinee – Children\* just £4**

\*Children age 12 or under.  
All children must be accompanied by an adult

## Brownies and Rainbows!

Every Friday night at the Scout Hut in Eynsham.  
Rainbows 4-5pm and Brownies 5-6:30pm  
If you'd like to join in the fun, adventure and camaraderie find out more at [www.girlguiding.org.uk](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk) or call 0800 169 5901

**Being a Rainbow** is all about having the space to try new things and have fun. Rainbows learn by doing - they get their hands dirty, do sports, arts and crafts, and play games. Through taking part in a range of different activities with girls their own age, Rainbows develop self-confidence and make lots of new friends.

**"Because of Rainbows she is more confident, she speaks about her feelings clearly and she is able to express herself in a very positive way."** (Rainbow parent)

Register your daughter's interest in joining Rainbows at [www.girlguiding.org.uk/joinus](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk/joinus), or call 0800 169 5901.

**Girlguiding**  
WE DISCOVER, WE GROW  
Registered charity number 306016



Thank You Corner!

A huge Thank You to everyone who took the time to decorate a window during Advent. They were commented on and enjoyed by many families and we hope you will be willing to do it all again at the end of the year!

Thank you to everyone who helped at and came to the Quiz Night on January 20th. We hope to hold another quiz later in the year. **Look out for the date next month!**

Thank you to everyone who supported the St Michael’s Church Christmas Raffle by buying and selling tickets and donating all the wonderful prizes. £617 was raised. A great village effort!

*Well done everybody  
Keep up the good work!*

Lower Windrush Tennis Club

The LWTC is a friendly club offering tennis to all ages and abilities. We have 3 floodlit hard courts and a close relationship with Excel Tennis Academy who provide coaching and fitness training (cardio tennis). We have a full adults and junior section, a kids club (re-starting after Easter) and an adults club night on Thursday Evenings. A WhatsApp group also runs to support casual play, bringing together those looking for partners or opponents. For the competitive players there is also lots of opportunity to play tournaments. New members are always welcome but if anyone wants to try us out they can always come along to Club night or try a cardio or rusty racket coaching session. I can be contacted by email sandie@lwtc.org.uk or on my mobile 07739964478 The club website is <https://clubspark.lta.org.uk/LowerWindrushTennisClub>

Witney Music Society

Witney Music Society's next concert will be given by James Turnbull (oboe) and Libby Burgess (piano). The concert is entitled 'An Oboe's Journey - travelling across Europe through oboe repertoire' and will feature works by composers from eight different countries and across three centuries. The concert will take place at High Street Methodist Church, Witney at 7.30pm on Friday 9 February. Tickets (full price £12, senior concessions £11, under 18 £1) will be available at the door from 7pm. For more information, please telephone 01993 702296 or visit the Witney Music Society website [www.witneymusicsociety.org.uk](http://www.witneymusicsociety.org.uk)

**Stanton Harcourt Toddler Group**

Are holding a Second Hand/Jumble Sale On March 3rd, 1-3pm at Stanton Harcourt Village Hall.

We will be selling baby and children’s toys and equipment, books and clothing.

If you have any of the above you would like to donate please leave it outside the Village Hall From 11:30am on day of sale.

**Church 200 Club January draw**

1st	281 K Harvey	2nd	128 A Cross
3rd	175 D Taylor	4th	238 J Thornton-Kitching

Stanton Harcourt and Sutton Summer Festival 2018

We can confirm that this year Festival Day will be held on: **Saturday 23rd June 2018** Festival week events will be held around the village during the week leading up to Festival Day (i.e. from Sat 16th June onwards)

*We will be stepping back in time for Festival this year and are pleased to announce that our theme for Festival 2018 is:*

"Stanton in the 60s"

We will be celebrating the decade that brought us The Beatles, the mini skirt, Flower Power, Woodstock, the summer of love and so much more!

The committee are now working hard to bring plenty of fun activities and attractions for you all to enjoy on Festival Day. If you would like to have a stall on the school field on Festival Day then please contact Penny on 731220 or email [penny.swiergon@gmail.com](mailto:penny.swiergon@gmail.com)

We hope that we will have another packed schedule of Festival events taking place in the week leading up to Festival Day – and maybe some that embrace our Festival theme! Hosting a Festival week event is a great opportunity to have some fun and raise money for your local organisation or favourite charity. If you are interested in holding an event, please contact Mike Parker (tel 884435 / email [mikeparker12@gmail.com](mailto:mikeparker12@gmail.com)) who is co-ordinating the schedule of events for Festival week and will ensure that you are included in the Festival programme. If you are involved in a local business and would like to place an advert in the Festival Programme booklet then contact Gill ([gill@gillmason.com](mailto:gill@gillmason.com))

For other enquiries about Festival or to volunteer to help with the organisation of this year’s event then please contact Richard Thomson ([rich.thom@btinternet.com](mailto:rich.thom@btinternet.com))

**The Festival Committee**



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32-34 Mill Street, Eynsham, OX29 4JS

Parish Council News

**NEXT PC MEETING:**Monday5th February 7:30 & Monday 5th March 7:30

**Overgrown Hedges?**  
The Parish Council would like to remind all residents of the need to keep all hedges bordering public paths ways trimmed and not obstruct public paths in anyway. As the growing season is fast approaching, we would be grateful if every effort could be made to maintain hedges, etc in the village.

**Blocked Ditches?**  
If you own land adjoining, above or with a watercourse running through it, you have certain rights and responsibilities. In legal terms you are a ‘riparian owner’. If your land boundary is next to a watercourse it is assumed you own the land up to the centre of the watercourse, unless you are aware that it is owned by someone else (this will be confirmed in your deeds). If you are aware of a public footpath or watercourse which is obstructed, please notify the Clerk (Trudi Gasser) who will contact the owner of the hedge to request that it is maintained accordingly. Should the landowner not carry out the requested maintenance, the next step is for West Oxfordshire District Council to be notified, who will then take further action, which may be to carry out the work and bill the landowner.

**Sheehans Planning Application**  
The Sheehan’s Application to increase tonnage at their site on Dix Pit from 100,000 to 175,000 tonnes was refused by Oxfordshire County Council. The Committee voted to refuse the application 6-5; an Appeal is possible.

[www.pc.stantonharcourt.online](http://www.pc.stantonharcourt.online)  
**Parish Council Information**

All official communications should be addressed to the Parish Clerk: Trudi Gasser, 5 Woodlands, Standlake, Oxon, OX29 7RA. [trudigasser@rocketmail.com](mailto:trudigasser@rocketmail.com)

Tuesday Girls

We don't have specific details at printing but for more info call Kay Harvey 01865 883590

**Rotary Club of Eynsham – January News**  
The Rotary Club would like to thank everyone who gave so generously to Santa’s collection in the weeks leading up to Christmas. We would also like to thank all those who turned out to help Santa, especially members of the Eynsham Co-Op who gave us so much support. Despite the cold weather we collected a handsome sum, which will be allocated to the local day centres.

You may also have noticed that Rotary Club members were out again on Boxing Day and the 27th manning the buckets at the toll-bridge. The monies collected will be allocated to local charities and international projects such as the End Polio Campaign.

We were also busy in October planting 10,000 purple crocus bulbs in support of and raising awareness for the international END POLIO NOW campaign. More information can be found at [www.endpolio.org](http://www.endpolio.org). Hopefully, you’ll soon be seeing the fruits of our labours in a wonderful purple haze on the verge at Eynsham toll-bridge roundabout and more, planted in collaboration with the Year 7s and 8s at Bartholomew School, near the bus layby on Witney Road.

SCHOOL NEWS

**Clubs**  
There are now 11 After School Clubs running for your children every week. On a Monday, we have over half the School at an After School Club. Can I thank the teachers for their enthusiasm in volunteering to do this.

**Attendance**  
The School attendance is 95.6% This is below the National Average and I am sure that we can improve this as Spring appears and the viruses leave.

**Parking.**  
Please could I remind parents to park sensibly at the end of the lane as parents need to use the path with pushchairs and it is often difficult to get through.

**Stay and Learn**  
As promised we have our second Stay and Learn session on Monday 26th February between 9:00- 9:45am. Please come and see how we teach reading throughout the School.

**Readathon**  
We are taking part in the National Book Week celebrations and would like to run a Readathon Activity both in School and at home. There will be Sponsor Forms and more info to follow. We will introduce this to the children on Monday 5th February.

**Dates...**  
7th February Parent’s Evening  
7th February Safer Internet Day  
8th February Parent’s Evening  
9th February Break up for Half Term  
19th February Back to School  
26th February Stay and Learn-reading and Book Week  
[www.stantonharcourtschool.org.uk](http://www.stantonharcourtschool.org.uk)  
01865 881948  
[office.3130@stanton-harcourt.oxon.sch.uk](mailto:office.3130@stanton-harcourt.oxon.sch.uk)



**FRIARS CATTERY**

[www.friarscattery.co.uk](http://www.friarscattery.co.uk)

We are a small, modern boarding cattery offering you a friendly, professional service and providing high quality care tailored to your cat’s needs.

To celebrate the opening of Friars Cattery we are offering the special reduced price of £10 per day for bookings received before the 28<sup>th</sup> Feb 2018, for any month in 2018.

**Contact Morag & Phil on:** 07748 875881

**Or email us at:** [enquiries@friarscattery.co.uk](mailto:enquiries@friarscattery.co.uk)

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This months bird is Sophie, she is a Storm Petrel. She spends her time hovering just above the sea almost walking on water! She eats fish, crustaceans and plankton and likes to follow fishing boats. She also likes George Orwell novels, chocolate biscuits and Chips by the sea side and is an avid Jeremy Corbyn Supporter.

