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THE FORERUNNER

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WELCOME to the
September 2023 edition
of
The Forerunner

In this edition of the Forerunner there is news of village hall events back in the Autumn and more opportunities to join guided walks with Cotswold Wardens and attend Tetbury Goods Shed events. And guess how many people are involved in making our church tick - look in Church News in the Community Corner for the answer.

All copy for the October edition of the Forerunner should be sent to elin.tattersall@yahoo.com by noon on the 14th September (01453 860182)

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VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

St John the Baptist Church is a beautiful church which looks cared for, thanks to so many people taking a role in its care and upkeep in so many different ways.

Over the past year, there have been many projects including the replacement of the cracked flag stones in the church aisle and work on the entrance of the west door and the door itself. To maintain the beauty and safety of the churchyard, the PCC are now moving forward with plans to make improvements to the path leading to the church entrance, as the existing path has become rather worn and uneven. Please take care if coming to the church until the new path is laid and the work complete.

As well as caring for our church building, we are looking to increase our ministry team in the benefice, looking forward and praying for the appointment of a new member of the ministry team, a Children and family worker, to work in Kingscote as well as in the wider Nailsworth benefice. It is hoped that if we are successful in appointing, this ministry will begin with setting up activities for families, including a toddler group and little church in Kingscote.

If you know anyone who would be interested in the position, please do pass on the details which can be found on the Benefice website www.thenailsworthbenefice.co.uk. We would be delighted to hear from them.

With blessings for this new Autumn season.

Rev. Caroline



KEY DATES

September services and events at the Church of St John the Baptist, Kingscote

The usual pattern of services for the church in Kingscote is on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month at 9.30am.

at 9.30am- All Age Service including Baptism

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Church flowers

3rd and 10th September – Jenny Tibbert

17th and 24th September – Rachel Grey

3rd and 10th October – Vivienne Ainsworth

15th October- Flowers Team for Harvest Festival

29th October and 5th November- Wendy Ingram

12th November- Flowers Team for Remembrance Sunday

Thank you to those who are on the flowers rota to supply one flower arrangement in the church per year. More new people would be most welcome. Please contact Lorna Reynolds (telephone - 01453 860231). The rota until the end of the year is on display in the church (initials only shown).

Book club:

September 20th at 2.00pm we meet at Angela's to discuss: 'Demon Copperhead' by Barbara Kingsolver.

October 18th we're planning to go to Tipputs Inn for lunch and will discuss 'Any Human Heart' by William Boyd there! Details to follow next month.

If anyone else would like to come and join us, please contact Angela on 860697.

PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

The most recent meeting of the Council was on Tuesday 11th July.

1. Speeding and parking in Kingscote village

Following requests from residents about reducing speed and facilitating large vehicle access through the village, we arranged a site visit with GCC Highways. This should help us decide which options might be viable and we will then consult residents before implementing any action.

2. Introduction of the new website.

Our Parish Clerk, Simon Hale, has developed a new website which he manages for the parish council. This provides greater flexibility and saves the cost of external website management. All the documents from the old website have been transferred and we hope you find the new format easier to use. There is a facility to sign up to receive alerts when new information is added to the website. The website is available, as before, via <https://www.kingscoteparishcouncil.co.uk/community/kingscote-parish-council-20422/home/>

3. Preparing for winter

We are liaising with GCC Highways to arrange for salt bins to be replenished before the winter. Since there are no salt bins in the Hazlecote valley we are planning to install one on each hill – the parish council will have to buy them but Highways will supply the salt. We are also buying a replacement for a damaged bin in Bagpath.

4. Community engagement with the Matara Centre

Mr Geoffrey Higgins, the owner of the Matara Centre, is generous in allowing parishioners to access the main field and he would like to increase engagement with the community. There will be a community event on Sunday 1 October at 11.00am to discuss the Centre's long-term vision and opportunities for volunteering to help with maintenance. This will be followed by a 'bring and share' picnic lunch and a walk around the grounds.

Next meeting

The next meeting of Kingscote Parish Council will be on Tuesday 26th September at 7.30pm in the village hall. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

Kerbside waste and recycling collections

The calendar for kerbside collection is available from

<https://community.cotswold.gov.uk/s/waste-collection-enquiry>

Food waste- Every Thursday in September

Recycling and garden waste - Thursday 14th and 28th September

Recycling centre

Pyke Quarry (Horsley tip) is open from 9am to 5pm on all days except Wednesdays, but only for pre-booked appointments. Book your visit [here](#).

Phone bookings are possible only for those without internet access- phone 01452 596 626.

Post office

The mobile post office will be at Kingscote Village Hall from 9am to 10am. every Monday and Thursday..

PLANNING APPLICATIONS

At time of drafting the newsletter, there were no applications listed on the CDC website with a consultation deadline in September

Note- Only applications classed by CDC as 'current', using the keyword Kingscote (i.e. the parish), and with relevant consultation expiry dates are included in The Forerunner each month. The standard consultation expiry date seems to be around 21 days after validation of the application by CDC although there are exceptions and sometimes applications do not seem to be listed on the website immediately after validation. Applications may not feature in the Forerunner if both the validation date and the expiry date fall in between Forerunner publications.

If you are keen to keep abreast of all new planning applications, it is recommended that you check the CDC website regularly and/or register to receive email alerts direct from CDC.

<https://publicaccess.cotswold.gov.uk/online-applications/>

COMMUNITY CORNER

We welcome your contributions to this, our parish newsletter, in whatever format photographs, puzzles, recipes, poems and stories and will try to publish a selection each month. Please send them to Elin Tattersall
elin.tattersall@yahoo.com

SEPTEMBER EVENTS AT THE VILLAGE HALL

COFFEE MORNING - Tuesday 12 September 10.30 - 11.30 a.m.

To be held in the Main Hall. Everyone very welcome.

Delicious home-made cake and coffee (or tea if preferred) £2.50

FUTURE EVENTS

We are planning a **Children's Hallowe'en event** on **31st October** early evening



Date for your diary:

Return of **Curry Night**, by popular request **Saturday 18 November**

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Church news

This month's vicar's letter outlines some of the work we are undertaking in the church and our aspirations. We'd like to say a BIG Thank you to all who help with running the church in Kingscote, in any way, and to those who support its work.

Inside and outside, the church looks spick and span thanks to our cleaning, brass cleaning and mowing and hedge trimming teams. We've noticed that the church is often featured in publicity photos for houses on sale in the area.

The church is open daily thanks to the group of people on the opening and locking rota. Flowers inside the church, provided by volunteers on the flowers team, add colour and enhance the feeling of being a cared-for church. The floodlights highlight the beauty of this historic building, thanks to those who make sure lights are switched on and working. Even jobs like displaying the Easter Cross need a number of volunteers to set it up and return it to the church ringing chamber for storage. Recently notice boards have been repaired and revarnished, items in the vestry, gallery and ringing chamber have been sorted and the path and church building exterior have been cleared of weeds, as well as trees trimmed. Electrical testing and servicing have been carried out and all the altar cloths have been refreshed through careful washing and ironing.

We continue to enjoy twice monthly and special services in the church, with involvement from regular readers, plus other adults and children from the parish for special services. New photos and material about the church have been added to the Kingscote online website and the Forerunner editing team and website webmaster make sure people are kept informed about what's happening in the parish. And, of course, there are all those who respond and join in with service and fundraising events.

How many people does it take to run a church? At last count in our parish it was over 50. We really couldn't do it without you.

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Guided walks with Cotswold Wardens in September 2023

There are a number of warden-led walks coming up. There is no need to book and there is no charge for joining the walks, though there is a box for a voluntary contribution towards materials for our work on footpath maintenance. Walks start usually at 10.00 am. and will return to the starting point. A packed lunch is advisable. Please double check for on the [Cotswold National Landscape](https://www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk) (formerly AONB) website.

The website will also provide details of walks a bit further away, e.g. towards Bath and Chipping Campden. <https://www.cotswoldsaonb.org.uk/visiting-and-exploring/guided-walks/>

Tuesday, 19th September, 2023 – Wotton Under Edge Start: 10:00 am

Difficulty: **moderate** Duration: **3 hours** Distance: **6 miles**

Start point: the Chipping car park, Wotton Under Edge, GL12 7AD

This enchanting walk starts from one of the Cotswold's most charming and thriving small towns. It takes us through farmland, woodland tracks and rolling parkland.

Packed lunch needed, or lunch available locally after walk if needed.

Wednesday, 20th September, 2023 – Prinknash and Painswick Start: 10:00 am

Difficulty: **Moderate** Duration: **2.5 hours** Distance: **4.5 miles**

Start point: Prinknash Abbey car park, signposted off the A46, GL4 8EX

This is a walk over the hills around Prinknash Abbey with glorious views over the Severn Vale. It takes in Buckholt Wood and Pope's Wood as well as Painswick Beacon. There is a café serving lunches at Prinknash adjacent to the car park.



TETBURY GOODS SHED

A R T S C E N T R E

HIGHLIGHTS FOR SEPTEMBER



- Sept 3** **Off The Rails:** Welcome to our third family festival of music! There will also be magic, fire-eaters, a Samba band and impromptu entertainment for all the family, as well as beer tent and a craft fair. 11-6. A whole day pass is £5 for adults, under 18s free.
- Sept 8** **London Haydn Quartet:** A wonderful combination of Beethoven, Mendelssohn and, of course, Haydn. 7.30. Tickets £22, under 18s £15
- Sept 10** **Afternoon Music with Laraine Levin and Pupils:** An Afternoon Music Recital - a series of performances by Laraine Levin and her music students who play piano, flute and recorder and are between the ages of 7 and adults ranging in ability level. 3-5. Tickets: £8 adults. £5 under 18
- Sept 22** **The Making of Lucy:** Stroud Theatre Company uncovers the story of Rodmarton Manor, which Lucy discovered when she looks into her family history. With music, songs and dialogue. 7-9.30 Tickets: £12, under 18 £10
- Sept 24** **Tetbury Origins – Family Learning Workshops and Guided Tour:** Find out about when wool was the heart of the rural economy and go on a short, guided tour. 12.30 – 3.30 Tickets: £12

For further details and to book tickets visit our website – where you can also find information about films, talks, exhibitions and our Wednesday afternoon concerts.

www.shed-arts.co.uk

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