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THE FORERUNNER

The monthly newsletter for the Kingscote parish
including Bagpath, Newington and Kingscote

Please note that any items of interest for next month's magazine should be sent to this email address: brianmctear@btinternet.com (Pauline McTear) by noon on the 20th of the month (01453 861311).

To join the mailing list for parish email alerts and the monthly Forerunner please go to the [Kingscote online website](#) and scroll down to join the mailing list.

In this month's magazine:

Rev Caroline Bland outlines the arrangements to be followed whilst she is on sabbatical, until 4th November.

Church services will continue in the usual pattern whilst she is away.

Bar Night will be held on **Friday 3rd October**.

'Land of the Long Road' – Martin Saunders will be describing his trip to Namibia, featuring a slide show. **Saturday 11th October**.

Village Hall Coffee Morning will be held on **Tuesday 14th October**.

Tetbury Goods Shed Arts Centre events are detailed.

A warm welcome to Andrew Adamson who has volunteered to take on publication of the Forerunner - thank you!

WELCOME to the
October 2025
edition of
The Forerunner

VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends

I will be out of the office until 4th November so there will be no letter until December.

The service pattern will continue with Holy communion on the first Sunday of the month and Morning Worship on the third. The third Sunday in October will be Harvest Festival.

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Information can also be found on the Nailsworth Benefice Website - www.thenailsworthbenefice.co.uk

Rev. Caroline

KEY DATES

 The Anglican church of the Nailsworth Benefice <i>Nailsworth, Horsley & Kingscote</i> Nailsworth, St Martin, Horsley and Kingscote			
WORSHIP - OCTOBER 2025			
Wednesday 1st	Nailsworth	10.00am	Holy Communion
SUNDAY 5th	16th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY		
	Kingscote	9.30am	Holy Communion
	Nailsworth	11.00am	Harvest Festival
Wednesday 8 th	Nailsworth	10.00am	Morning Praise
SUNDAY 12th	17th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY		
	Horsley	9.30am	Harvest Festival
	Nailsworth	11.00am	Holy Communion
Wednesday 15 th	Nailsworth	10.00am	Holy Communion
SUNDAY 19th	18th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY		
	Kingscote	9.30am	Harvest Festival
	Nailsworth	11.00am	Holy Communion
Wednesday 22 nd	Nailsworth	10.00am	Morning Praise
SUNDAY 26th	LAST SUNDAY OF TRINITY		
	Nailsworth	11.00am	Holy Communion
Wednesday 29 th	Nailsworth	10.00am	Holy Communion

KEY DATES



HARVEST FESTIVAL SERVICE

Sunday October 19th

9.30 am

at St John the Baptist Church

We will be celebrating the plentiful harvest while also thinking of those who are less fortunate. Please bring donations of non-perishable food to the service, or if you are unable to come, please leave donations in the porch. All donations will be taken to the local food bank.

Everyone is welcome at this all-age service.



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Church flowers

Thank you to those who are on the flowers rota to supply one flower arrangement in the church per year. We would love to have a few more people join the team, so if you feel you could do this, please contact Lorna Reynolds (telephone - 01453 860231).



5 October	Wendy Ingram
12 October	Wendy Ingram
19 October - Harvest Festival	Flower Team
26 October	Flower Team

KEY DATES

Book Club

Wednesday 22 October, 12.00 p.m. at the **Long Table, Brimscombe Mill, Brimscombe, Stroud GL5 2QN** for lunch and to discuss: '**Butter**' by **Asako Yuzuki**.

If anyone else would like to come and join the Book Club, please contact Angela Wooldridge on 860697.

Kerbside Waste & Recycling Collections

Food waste - Friday 26 September and weekly thereafter.

Recycling and garden waste - Fridays 26 September, 10 and 24 October.

The 2025-26 calendar is available on the CDC website:
<https://community.cotswold.gov.uk/s/waste-collection-enquiry>

Recycling centre

Pyke Quarry (Horsley tip) is open for pre-booked appointments. It is usually open in the winter from 10am to 4pm on all days except Wednesdays.

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 except bank holidays.



KINGSCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

1. GCC Highways

We had a very constructive discussion recently with the Highways manager and her deputy. This helped us understand some of the complex contractual arrangements and rigid regulations which often make their work difficult. However, Highways have agreed to undertake patching repairs in Kingscote village, to improve the signage near Ashel Barn, to install SLOW signs on the difficult bend near the old School House on the way to Bagpath and relocate the two new salt bins.

2. Local Green Space nomination

In conjunction with the Matara Centre, we have drafted a submission which we hope will enable the main field at the Matara Centre to be designated as a Local Green Space in the Cotswold District Local Plan. This would recognize its special status in the village and protect it from development.

3. Next meeting

The next meeting of the parish council will be on Tuesday 11th November at 7.30pm in Kingscote Village Hall. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

Kingscote Parish Council

Current Planning Applications

1. Erection of two-storey extension to rear elevation on footings of previously approved scheme 12/00192/FUL

The Moorings Kingscote Tetbury Gloucestershire GL8 8XY

Ref. No: 25/02719/FUL | Validated: Mon 08 Sep 2025 | Status: Awaiting decision

2. Compliance with condition 3 (Sample of roofing) and 4 (Details) of consent 25/01383/LBC - Repairs to barn, re-roofing with natural stone slates, new floor, new car charging points

Lower Hazelcote Farm Kingscote Tetbury Gloucestershire GL8 8XX

Ref. No: 25/02337/COMPLY | Validated: Fri 01 Aug 2025 | Status: Awaiting decision

VILLAGE HALL

October Events

Bar Night

Friday 3 October

7.00 – 10.00 p.m.

Alcoholic & non-alcoholic beverages at reasonable prices. Enjoy time with your neighbours. Cash only. This event is to raise money for Village Hall maintenance. Everyone welcome.

Martin Saunders



Saturday 11 October

7.30 – 9.00pm

Martin talks about his travels in Namibia.

With a slideshow featuring the wildlife.

£5.00 to include nibbles.

Pay bar during the interval.

Coffee Morning

Tuesday 14 October

10.30 – 11.30 a.m.

Everyone very welcome. Home-made cake, coffee (or tea if preferred) £3.00. Squash and biscuits for children.

Kingscote Village Bar

Friday October 3rd

7-10 pm



Future dates

Friday November 7th

Friday December 5th

Come along and enjoy a drink with friends and neighbours.

Alcohol and alcohol free drinks.

Cash Bar

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

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Seasonal Recipes

With the abundance of fruit at the moment I have been forwarded some recommended recipes that may be a little bit different.

Ginger-Roasted Plums with Lime, Rum & Muscovado Cream by Diana Henry

This is best made with plums that have a strong flavour and will hold their shape: crimson tart-sweet fruits, rather than soft English Victorias. You need to judge for doneness, as the cooking time depends on how ripe your plums are (they can take as long as 30 minutes if they're hard), but roasting does transform the most unpromising and under-ripe specimens. You can also make this dish with apricots, but they take a bit less cooking time.

To serve 6

Ingredients:

For the cream

- 200 ml (7 fl oz) double cream
- 150 g (5½ oz) Greek yogurt
- 3-4 heaped tablespoons muscovado sugar

For the plums

- 800 g (1 lb 12oz) plums (preferably crimson-fleshed), halved and pitted
 - 2 globes of stem ginger, very finely chopped
 - 75 g (2¾ oz) soft light brown sugar
 - ½ teaspoon ground ginger
 - 3 broad strips of lime zest, plus juice of 1 lime
 - 150 ml (5 fl oz) dark rum, plus 3 tablespoons
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Ginger-Roasted Plums with Lime, Rum & Muscovado Cream

Method

1. Make the cream about 12 hours before you want to serve it. Lightly whip the double cream, then fold in the yogurt. Put this in a bowl and sprinkle evenly with the sugar. Cover with cling film and put in the fridge. The sugar will become soft and treacly.
 2. Preheat the oven to 180°C fan (375°F), Gas Mark 5.
 3. Put the plums into a roasting tin or a big ovenproof dish or gratin dish in which they can lie in a single layer (snugly; you don't want the juices around them to reduce and burn). Arrange the fruits so they are cut sides up. Scatter the stem ginger around the plums. Mix the sugar with the ground ginger and sprinkle it over the top. Squeeze the lime juice over and tuck the pieces of lime zest under the fruits, then pour the 150ml (5fl oz) rum around them.
 4. Bake for 15–30 minutes (how long it takes depends on the ripeness of the plums). The fruit should be tender when pierced with a sharp knife, but not collapsing. Leave to cool completely; the juices should thicken as they cool. If they aren't thick enough, drain off the juices and boil them in a saucepan until they become more syrupy. Add the remaining 3 tablespoons of rum.
 5. Serve the plums, at room temperature, with the muscovado cream.
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Apple Chutney

Ingredients: (imperial measurements!)

- 1 lb onions, finely chopped
- ½ pint vinegar
- 2 lb apples (weight after peeling/coring) chopped
- 2 – 4 oz dried fruit
- 1 tspn pickling spice, 1 tspn salt, 1 tspn ground ginger
- 12 oz sugar

Method

1. Put onion into saucepan with vinegar and simmer until soft
 2. Add chopped apples, dried fruit, spices (tied in muslin bag), salt, ginger and enough vinegar to stop mixture from burning
 3. Cook until fruit soft, stirring occasionally
 4. Add remainder of vinegar and stir in sugar
 5. Boil steadily until mixture is thick
 6. Pour into hot jars and seal.
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A seasonal poetic gem, A E Houseman's **'Tell Me Not Here, It Needs Not Saying'**

Tell me not here, it needs not saying,
What tune the enchantress plays
In aftermaths of soft September
Or under blanching mays,
For she and I were long acquainted
And I knew all her ways.

On russet floors, by waters idle,
The pine lets fall its cone;
The cuckoo shouts all day at nothing
In leafy dells alone;
And traveller's joy beguiles in autumn
Hearts that have lost their own.

On acres of the seeded grasses
The changing burnish heaves;
Or marshalled under moons of harvest
Stand still all night the sheaves;
Or beeches strip in storms for winter
And stain the wind with leaves.

Possess, as I possessed a season,
The countries I resign,
Where over elmy plains the highway
Would mount the hills and shine,
And full of shade the pillared forest
Would murmur and be mine.

For nature, heartless, witless nature,
Will neither care nor know
What stranger's feet may find the meadow
And trespass there and go,
Nor ask amid the dews of morning
If they are mine or no.



TETBURY GOODS SHED

ARTS CENTRE

OCTOBER HIGHLIGHTS AT THEGOODS SHED



- October 5** **Quiz Evening:** Make up a team and take on the challenges of our Quiz Master, David Walker, who over the years has collected obscure facts from a range of sources and now has a use for them! 5.30. Tickets in advance £2
- October 12** **Wool Fair:** Following the great success of last year's event we bring you a wide range of stalls, demonstrations, workshops and talks – and even the attendance of some sheep! 10-4pm. Tickets in advance £3.50
- October 23** **Film Night:** National Theatre Live Mrs Warrens Profession. Imelda Staunton joins forces with her daughter Bessie Carter in Bernard Shaw's incendiary classic. 7pm. Tickets in advance £15.
- October 25** **Derailed:** a daytime house music event with Danny Toft! If you're over 30 come and party during daylight hours with DJ Danny. A chance to dance your socks off and still be home for supper. 2-7pm Tickets in advance £10.
- October 26** **Candlelit Classical Masterpieces:** Join the Bristol Ensemble and soloist Viv McLean for a candlelit celebration of classical greats by Chopin, Mozart and Shostakovich. 7pm. Tickets £24 in advance.

For more details of our other events including film, talks, exhibitions, and afternoon tea concerts and to book tickets visit our website:

www.tetburygoodshed.co.uk

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