



Sadly we have had to say farewell to Pauline McTear, a valued member of our village community.

Pauline passed away peacefully on the morning of Thursday 21st May.

She had been in the Sue Ryder Hospice, Leckhampton, Cheltenham for 4 weeks; she was very comfortable there and was extremely well cared for.

Pauline's contributions to life in the village and the running of the Kingscote village hall were immeasurable.

We will miss Pauline.



JUNE 2026

THE FORERUNNER

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

WELCOME to the
June 2026
edition of
The Forerunner

In this month's magazine:

At the Village Hall:

- Coffee Morning will be held on **Tuesday 9th June.**
- Book Club will be held on **Wednesday 10th June.**

Services at St John the Baptist will be:

- **Sunday 7th June, 9.30 a.m.** - Holy Communion.
- **Sunday 21st June, 9.30 a.m.** - Morning Worship.

There will also be a 'thank you to volunteers' event at the Church on **Saturday 6th June** at **3.00 p.m.**

Events at Matara and the Tetbury Goods Shed are detailed.

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.

Items of interest for next month's magazine should be sent by email to webmaster@kingscoteonline.co.uk (Andrew Adamson) by noon on the 20th of the month.

VICAR'S LETTER

Dear Friends,

June is the season when this year our benefice churches see a season filled with celebrations. Across our churches, we look forward to the weddings and baptisms that take place at this time of year. These are joyful occasions, bringing together families, friends, and communities to mark important moments in people's lives.

There is something deeply hopeful about both weddings and baptisms. A wedding is built on promises – on love, commitment, and the willingness to walk through life together. A baptism speaks of welcome, belonging, and the promise of God's love surrounding us from the very beginning of life's journey.

Services of weddings and Baptisms are, for the Church, much more than traditions or beautiful ceremonies, important though those things are. They are moments when we pause to recognise that love, faithfulness, and hope matter deeply. They remind us that our lives are shaped through relationships – with one another and with God.

We also have other gatherings to look forward to, maybe summer gatherings with family and friends, special anniversaries or birthday celebrations. At Kingscote church we will have a thank you tea on Saturday June 6th at 3.00 pm for all our church volunteers and for anyone who is interested in joining us to come along.

At St George's Church, Nailsworth we look forward to the Music and Art Festival on the 12th and 13th June which will include the sharing of the talents of our benefice schools through musical performances and exhibiting artwork, as well as musicians and artists from the local community.

As summer unfolds and our churches welcome many visitors, families, and guests, may we continue to be places of warmth, hospitality, and encouragement. Whether you come for a festival, a wedding, a baptism, or a quiet moment of prayer, you are always welcome.

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**Thank you
to all our volunteers!**

**This year we will be having a thank you tea
for all our volunteers**

on

Saturday June 6th at 3.00 pm

**We also invite anyone interested
in joining us to come along.**



This is our opportunity to celebrate and thank all who give their time so generously to support our church. At a time when many churches around us are facing closure, we are especially grateful to our volunteers, whose dedication helps keep our much-loved church in Kingscote open and thriving.

This year, we will host a relaxed afternoon tea in the church. We also warmly welcome anyone interested in getting involved. Whether you are considering joining the PCC or simply offering some of your time in other ways, this is a great opportunity to come along and find out more.

You will hear about the life of the church over the past year, learn a little of its history, and discover plans for future building repairs, as well as ways you can support its ongoing life and ministry.



KEY DATES



**St George's Church, Nailsworth
Music and Art Festival Programme
Friday 12th & Saturday 13th June**

Friday 12th June
7.00pm
Sounds of the Sixties
Tom Robbins and Kristy Keller



Saturday 13th June
10.30am
Nailsworth and Horsley Primary School Performances
&
African Drumming Workshops with Ian Evans

12.30pm
Rodborough Folk Orchestra
(ROFFO)



2.00pm
The Common Voices
Community Choirs from
Nailsworth, Amberley and Oakridge



3.00pm
Tim Hughes Blues



3.45pm
J12 Folk Group

Art Exhibition by Local Schools and the Community
Free Entry – Donations Welcome!
Refreshments available all day Saturday

KEY DATES



The Nailsworth Benefice
Nailsworth, Horsley & Kingscote

**The Anglican churches of St George, Nailsworth, St Martin,
Horsley and St John the Baptist, Kingscote**

WORSHIP – June 2026

SUNDAY 7th	1st SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY		
	Kingscote	9.30am	Holy Communion
	Nailsworth	11.00am	Morning Worship
Wednesday 10 th	Nailsworth	10.00am	Holy Communion
SUNDAY 14th	2nd SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY		
	Horsley	9.30am	Holy Communion
	Nailsworth	11.00am	Holy Communion
Wednesday 17 th	Nailsworth	10.00am	Holy Communion
SUNDAY 21st	3rd SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY		
	Kingscote	9.30am	Morning Worship
	Nailsworth	11.00am	Holy Communion
Wednesday 24 th	Nailsworth	10.00am	Holy Communion
SUNDAY 28th	4th SUNDAY AFTER TRINITY		
	Nailsworth	11.00am	Holy Communion

KEY DATES

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 (01453 860231).



7 th June	Angela Wooldridge
14 th June	Angela Wooldridge
21 st June	Teresa Day
28 th June	Teresa Day

KEY DATES

Book Club

At **1.30 p.m.** on **Wednesday 10th June** in The Reynolds Room at the Village Hall, we will be discussing:

'Odd Boy Out' by **Gyles Brandreth.**

Do come along if you're interested.

If anyone else would like to come and join the Book Club, please contact Angela Wooldridge on 01453 860697.

Kerbside Waste & Recycling Collections

Food waste – Fridays 12th and 26th June.
Food waste, recycling, garden waste and black bin – Fridays 5th and 19th June.

The 2026-27 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 open from 9am to 5pm 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. Annual Parish Meeting and AGM of the Parish Council

The Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council (AGM) were held on Tuesday 12th May in the village hall and the draft minutes of both meetings are available on the Parish Council website:

<https://www.kingscoteparishcouncil.gov.uk>

2. Safety at Hunters Hall junctions

At the Annual Parish Meeting, residents expressed strong concerns about the safety of the road junctions on the A4135 near Hunters Hall and discussed what could be done. The two drivers injured in recent accidents at this location emphasised the need for improvements to safety.

Other residents have written to explain the difficulties of turning right out of all three junctions. One resident explained the difficulty of turning right from the Bagpath junction, particularly if there is also a vehicle slowing down to enter that junction from the A4135.

Safety at Hunters Hall junctions (cont)

Kingscote Parish Council has discussed the safety of this location at a number of recent meetings. In discussions with GCC Highways, the hazardous nature of the junctions has been recognised and some safety improvements have been proposed including new junction signs with yellow backgrounds and new SLOW markings on the A4135. However, at the most recent meeting of the Parish Council on 12 May 2026, it was decided to also seek a reduction in the speed limit to 40mph.

We recognize that achieving a speed reduction will not be easy because of the costs associated with the statutory consultations which are required. Consequently, we are gathering evidence to support the speed reduction including the statistics on recent accidents and the views of local businesses. Monitoring by the police of the speed of traffic has also been requested. If you have any personal experiences of the hazards at these junctions please would you document these in an email to Simon Hale, our parish clerk:

clerk@kingscoteparishcouncil.gov.uk

Kingscote Parish Council

KINGSCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

Current Planning Applications

1. Erection of two-storey garage with associated works. Demolition of existing garage

The Grove Kingscote Tetbury
Gloucestershire GL8 8YN

Ref. No: 26/01411/FUL | Validated: Tue 12
May 2026 | Status: Awaiting decision.

2. Erection of a single storey side extension, installation of an attached timber pergola, conversion of the garage with creation of a mezzanine level, and roof alterations with associated works

Kingscote Lodge Kingscote Tetbury
Gloucestershire GL8 8YN

Ref. No: 26/00659/FUL | Validated: Mon
09 Mar 2026 | Status: Awaiting
decision.

3. Compliance with conditions 3 (Bat mitigation strategy), 4 (Drainage), 7 (Sample materials) and 8 (Sample panel - stonework) of permission 25/00333/FUL - Erection of replacement self-build dwelling

Upper Hazelcote Cottage Hazlecote
Farm Lane Kingscote Tetbury
Gloucestershire GL8 8XX

Ref. No: 25/03167/COMPLY | Validated:
Tue 21 Oct 2025 | Status: Awaiting
decision.

4. Erection of annexe, two-storey side extension, single-storey rear extension, garage, and side porch with associated works. Demolition of existing outbuilding, conservatory and front porch

The Spinney Bagpath Tetbury
Gloucestershire GL8 8YG

Ref. No: 26/00437/FUL | Validated: Fri 13
Feb 2026 | Status: Awaiting decision.

KINGSCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

Current Planning Applications (cont)

5. Compliance with condition 8 (ecology) of consent 25/04049/LBC - Structural repairs to tower roof. Repairs to nave and chancel roofs including installation of thermal insulation and associated works. Works to tower render and windows. Works to nave window and Norman doorway (part retrospective)

Bartholomew House Newington
Bagpath Kingscote Tetbury
Gloucestershire GL8 8GH

Ref. No: 26/01456/COMPLY | Validated:
Mon 11 May 2026 | Status: Awaiting
decision.

6. Compliance with condition 7 (Architectural recording) of consent 25/04049/LBC - Structural repairs to tower roof. Repairs to nave and chancel roofs including installation of thermal insulation and associated works. Works to tower render and windows. Works to nave window and Norman doorway (part retrospective)

6. Compliance with condition 7 (cont)

Bartholomew House Newington
Bagpath Kingscote Tetbury
Gloucestershire GL8 8GH

Ref. No: 26/01425/COMPLY | Validated:
Thu 07 May 2026 | Status: Awaiting
decision.

7. Compliance with condition 5 (Design and details) of consent 25/04049/LBC - Structural repairs to tower roof. Repairs to nave and chancel roofs including installation of thermal insulation and associated works. Works to tower render and windows. Works to nave window and Norman doorway (part retrospective)

St Bartholomews Church Newington
Bagpath Kingscote Tetbury
Gloucestershire GL8 8UE

Ref. No: 26/01423/COMPLY | Validated:
Wed 06 May 2026 | Status: Awaiting
decision.

VILLAGE HALL

Events This Month

Coffee Morning

Tuesday 9th June

10.30 - 11.30 a.m.

Homemade cakes, coffee or tea, £3.00.

Everyone very welcome.



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 webmaster@kingscoteonline.co.uk

Full of joy is early Summer,
Growth and warmth and golden light;
Every day is crowned with beauty,
Full of loveliness the night.
Dazzling sunshine brings the roses,
Fills the whole bright world with bloom;
Day and night rejoice together,
Banished now are doubt and gloom.

Skies serene and loving woo us
To the woods and fields to-day;
Who would linger long when Nature
Calls him to her feast away?
Earth a veritable Eden
In the glowing sunlight gleams,
Life a grand and noble epic,
Viewed from such a standpoint seems.

Gladness reigns the wide world over,
Early Summer's golden light
Fills each bosom with thanksgiving
For the season's blessings bright.
Happy harvest days are coming,
Full of joy, throughout the land;
Where the fields of grain are waving,
Full-eared wheat in shocks shall stand.

Perfect days that pass too quickly,
One by one they come and go,
Each in turn reveals rare blessing,
Beauty passing all below.
Balmy air and bright green landscape,
Glowing eve and dewy dawn;
Sunlight's gold on field and forest—
We shall grieve when these are gone.

Joyous time to him that loveth
Growth and warmth and golden light;
Day is full of blessed beauty,
Full of peace the dewy night.
Early Summer! time of roses,
All the earth is filled with bloom;
Every heart in thee rejoices,
Banished now are doubt and gloom.

Early Summer
Ellwood Roberts (1846–1921)



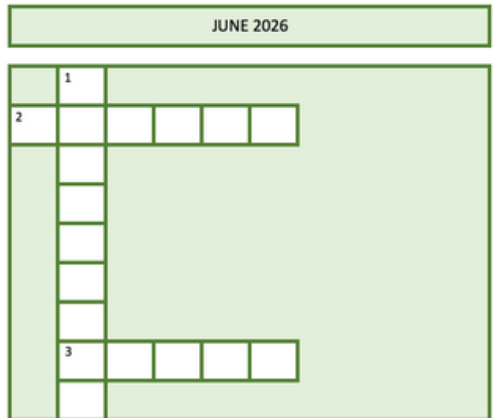
COMMUNITY CORNER

A Puzzle

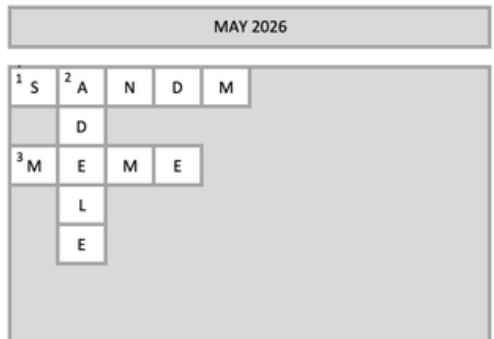
Three cryptic clues to challenge the little grey cells (no prizes!)

Answers published next month.

1. Polymath swallows mixed gin for us (9)
2. Aristocrat wearing extremely precious gems (6)
3. Signs round loo (5)



1. Painful activity, to smooth a bit of masonry (1,3,1)
2. Helpless Australian city girl (5)
3. Eager pupil's plea for online phenomenon (4)



Matara Coffee and Cake

Join us on the 2nd Wednesday of each month, for a relaxed morning of coffee, homemade cakes, and friendly company, Each month brings something new to enjoy in our gardens.

Next date: **Wednesday 10th June, 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.**

Cash donations only.



COFFEE AND CAKE
at
The Palm House

Matara Father's Day BBQ and Beers

This Father's Day, keep it relaxed at Matara with a laid-back BBQ box meal in our front courtyard. Tuck into slow-cooked, pulled and smoked treats, enjoy cold drinks, and kick back while the lawn games keep things fun and casual. No fuss, just great food, good vibes, and a Father's Day done right at Matara.

Sunday 21st June, 1.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.

Please register your interest
by emailing INFO@MATARA.CO.UK
or by calling 01453 861050.



THE MENU

BBQ Box Meal

12h smoked pulled pork

(Pick a sauce classic BBQ sauce or Yellow mustard
BBQ sauce)

Smoked ox cheek Mac and cheese croquettes

With fries and slaw £15

CHILDREN'S

Chicken Strips and Chips £10

Veggies/Vegan

Jacket potato with BBQ smoked beans, slaw and

crispy onions £12

Followed by Ice Cream £5pp

Matara Pizza Pop-Up

Our next pop up pizza night will be on **Friday 26th June, 5.00 p.m. to 8.00 p.m.**

Take-away or enjoy in our front courtyard with a drink from our bar.

Pop in or ring to pre-order (07359 718811) to ensure you don't miss out.



JUNE MENU

13 Inch Pizzas

MAIN MENU

Margarita | £12

Sundried tomato, olives and peppers with fresh pesto | £13

Tandoori lemon chicken | £14

CHEF'S SPECIAL

Honey mustard ham hock and fresh pineapple | £15

A LITTLE EXTRA

Homemade Garlic aioli

or Hot Honey | £2

VE and GF Available

TETBURY GOODS SHED

A R T S C E N T R E

JUNE HIGHLIGHTS AT TETBURY GOODS SHED



- June 6** **Da Fuchaman and his Fire Blaze Band:** If you saw Da and his band at our Off The Rails Festival last summer you won't need telling about his infectious optimism and electric energy. If you didn't - come and experience it! Tickets in advance £16 7pm
- June 13** **Charles Owen Piano Concert:** International pianist Charles Owen will be playing a programme of Mozart, Schumann and Chopin. When not performing at major venues like the Wigmore Hall he is a professor of piano at the Guildhall school of music. Tickets £26 in advance. 7.30pm
- June 20** **Music for Miniatures:** A baby friendly concert by professional musicians. Dancing is encouraged, so enjoy 45 mins of music with your little ones. Tickets in advance £7 adult/£5 child/Family £17/under 1s free. 10.30am
- June 21** **Gloucestershire Youth String Orchestra:** We welcome back this award-winning ensemble of youngsters from our county schools for two special concerts. The afternoon event features work from a collaborative youth project. The evening event features music from Bach to Jenkins. Tickets £5 afternoon and £10 evening. 2pm and 7pm.
- June 26** **Swing From Paris:** Jazz and Gypsy Swing from this popular quartet who have starred at many jazz festivals over the years. Tickets in advance £17. 7.30
- June 27** **Pauline Eyre:** In Anyone for Tennis the comedian and Wimbledon line judge for 20 years spills the gossip from the Royal Box to the locker room. Tickets in advance £16. 8pm

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

www.tetburygoodsshed.co.uk

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