

Kempsford

(with Whelford,
Dunfield and Dudgrove)

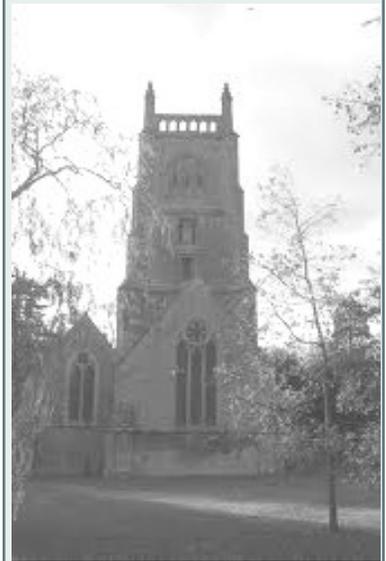
Parish News

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presents***

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Please see inside for further details



April 2014

Village Organisations & Useful Contacts

Church Choir	Miss E Scott		810577
Church Bells	Mrs Julie Stockwin		712109
Kempsford School	Mrs Pam Smart	(Acting Head Teacher)	810367
Chairman of School Governors	Mr Andrew Doherty		711552
Chairman of School Friends	Mrs Philippa Griffin		810754
Farmors School	Mr Matthew Evans (Head)		712302
Village Hall—Chair	Mrs I Lewis		810770
Village Hall—Booking	Mrs Mollie Price	villagehallbookings@kempsford.net	810534
Kempsford Preschool	Amy Allen	Kempsford.pre.school@o2.co.uk	811000
Kempsford Angling Club	Mr J Hussey		810446
Whelford Village Hall—Booking	Mrs Sue Griffin		712979
Dance Classes at Kempsford V.Hall	Ms Gillian Shearing		01793 875934
Kempsford Brownies	Mrs Ceri Pawson	www.girlguiding.org.net/get_involved	
Cricket	Richard Caswell		810270
Church Office			712611
Royal British Legion	Mr A Hill		810035
Soldiers, Sailors & Airman's Acc.(SSAFA)	Mr & Mrs A Hill		810035
Scottish & Southern Electricity			0800 072 7282
Thames Water			0845 9200 800
Non-emergency Police Contact			101
Thursday Club	Mrs P Crew/Mrs B Ockwell		810338/713261
NHS Direct			111
Environment Agency	Floodline—0845 9881188	General Enquiries -	03708 506 506
Bulk Refuse	(phone to book)		01285 623000
Highway Matters & Street Light Faults			08000 514 514
Kempsford Hand Bell Team (Beaubells)	Iris Lewis		01285 810770
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(see Parish Council page for Councillors)		Council.net	
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Kempsford Website		www.kempsford.net	
Kempsford Parish Council Website		www.kempsfordparishcouncil.net	

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April 2014

Dear Friends,

By the time this reaches you, we will have just celebrated the 150th birthday of St Anne's, Whelford with the Bishop of Gloucester, a really special event that was combined with Mothering Sunday, a special cake, lots of chocolate, and lunch at Whelford Mill. But if you missed it, fear not! There are two more special events, to which you are very welcome, as we head towards celebrating Easter, the greatest event in the Christian year.

The first is on the afternoon of Palm Sunday (13th April) when we are inviting families and children of all ages to the Church at 3:00pm for tea, cake, football and Easter Garden making. There will be a prize for the best Easter garden, and children will also be encouraged to leave their gardens at the Church until Easter a few days later when they will form a part of the school's start of term Easter service. Football will be for all ages so dads (and mums) are invited to do the appropriate kit!

On Easter Sunday, after the 10:00am service celebrating the resurrection of Jesus, there will be the traditional Egg parachute competition from the Tower and Easter Egg hunt. Tips on building really airworthy craft will be given the previous week! Once again, all are welcome to take part!

Soon after Easter we will be staging our Literary weekend (25th-27th April) about which there is a flyer which you should find in this magazine. Guests include Roy Hattersley, Barry Norman, Brian Mawhinney and Jonathan Aitken. Do come along to what promises to be a really fascinating weekend, where homemade cakes and tea will be available throughout.

What does all this have to do with Easter? (I hear you cry) In some cases, not very much, except that the heart of the Gospel (Good news) is Jesus's offer that 'I come that you might have life, and have it in abundance' Jesus has come to make our lives fuller, richer, deeper, and more wonderful. And that is how we seek to live. In a way that brings blessing and reflects God's generous, lavish love for us.

Do have a glorious Easter

With every blessing

Tim

PS: I am planning to direct a play to celebrate harvest this year on Sunday 14th September. It will be Thornton Wilder's beautiful celebration of life, '**Our Town**'. Eager actors and actresses of all ages are invited to be involved. Do let me know if you are interested. I have already heard from a number of people but there really are parts for all.

PPS Youth Group and Family Activity leaflets are now available. Do please pick one up from the Church or let me know if you would like one and I can email it to you

PPS Junior Football Club begins on Thursday 24th April, at 6:00pm on the school field. Aimed at years 4,5, 6, 7 and 8, any standard is welcome. Training. Skills and a game!

Services for April 2014

Thursday 3 rd April	7:00pm	Lent Talk at Fairford Revd Dr Trystan Owain Hughes <i>Finding Meaning and Hope in suffering</i>
Saturday 5 th April	12 noon	Baptism of Celia Agatha Dorothy Titley at Whelford
Sunday 6 th April <i>Passion Sunday</i>	9:00am 10:00am	Holy Communion at Whelford Holy Communion
Thursday 10 th April	7:00pm	Lent Talk at Fairford Anne Atkins <i>When life seems against you</i>
Sunday 13 th April <i>Palm Sunday</i>	10:00am 12 noon 3:00pm	Holy Communion Baptism of Max and Natalie Musson at Whelford Tea, cake, Easter Garden making and football at St Mary's
Thursday 17 th April <i>Maundy Thursday</i>	7:00pm	Holy Communion and stripping of the altar, followed by a time a silent prayer in the candlelit church
Friday 18 th April <i>Good Friday</i>	2:00pm	At the Foot of the Cross: Readings, prayers and hymns for Good Friday
Sunday 20 th April <i>Easter Sunday</i>	7:00am 9:00am 10:00am	Holy Communion Holy Communion at Whelford Family Communion Followed by Easter Egg Hunt and the Great Egg Drop
Thursday 24 th April	7:00pm	Lent Talk at St Mary's Kempford Mrs Susie Fletcher <i>The Heartache of childlessness and adoption</i>
Sunday 27 th April <i>2nd Sunday of April</i>	10:00am	Holy Communion
Tuesday 29 th April	7:00pm	Supper and Prayer Meeting

Weddings: 18th May: Laura Caddy and Ian Freyne
2nd August: Sarah Browne and Paul Crooke (Whelford)
9th August: Lisa Chapman and Toby Heycock
16th August: Olivia Bennet and Michael

Baptisms: 25th May: Ivy May Chesterman
29th June: Harry Pearce



Kempsford Youth Group Junior Football Club

Starts

Thursday 24th April

At 6:00pm

For anyone on years 5,6,7 or 8

**Training, coaching and games on
the school Field**

Drinks and biscuits provided

Absolutely Free!

To take place every Thursday evening throughout the summer.

Finishes by 7:30

Kempsford Village Hall

Village Hall AGM

Wednesday May 14th at 8.00pm in Village Hall

All welcome

KEMPSFORD VILLAGE HALL

NEEDS

NEW COMMITTEE MEMBERS

At the village hall's AGM on May 14th at 8.00pm we will be seeking new committee members. Some of the current committee will be standing down, either at this AGM or subsequent ones.

In order to keep the hall functioning as an important facility in the village, new committee members are needed.

To find out more, contact Dawn on 810 419 or Iris on 810 770.



Village Hall Café

Thursday 10th April

11.30 am - 2 pm

On offer Fresh Coffee, Homemade Soup and Bread, Speciality Teas and Homemade Cakes. What could be better?

All welcome

Kempsford Village Hall



Regular bookings

	Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
AM	10:00—11:00 Pilates Rona Bennett			Café 2nd Thurs in month 11:30—14:00	
PM		Dance Classes 15:30—17:00 Ms Gillian Shearing	15:30—17:30 Private Dance Classes Ms Gillian Shearing	12:15—14:15 Post Office	
Eve	18:00—19:00 Zumba Donna	18:00—19:30 Brownies Ceri Pawson		19:00—21:00 Youth Group	
		19:45—21:45 Parish Council Meeting (once a month, usually 3rd Tues in month)			

Contact details: Rona Bennett—01865 820754, Donna — 07891660089, Gillian Shearing —01793875934

Brownies—Mrs Ceri Pawson, www.girlguiding.org.net/get_involved

Kempsford Village Hall Committee Members

Iris Lewis (Chair)

Tel: 01285 810770

Jacky Stagg (Treasurer)

Tel: 01285 239287

Meike Doherty

Tel: 01285 711552

Joy Cross

Tel: 01285 810439

Mollie Price (Booking Secretary)

Tel: 01285 810534

Dawn Penman (Secretary)

Tel: 01285 810419

Pete Wolfenden

Tel: 01285 810477

New members always welcome

KEMPSFORD PARISH COUNCIL

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Mr Stuart Lindsell	stuartlindsell@kempsfordparishcouncil.net	01285 713051

Parish Council and other Meeting dates

Tuesday 8th April 2014	Annual Parish Meeting	8pm, Kempsford Village Hall
Tuesday 22nd April 2014	Parish Council Meeting	7.45pm, Kempsford Village Hall
Tuesday 20th May 2014	Annual Parish Council Meeting	7.45pm, Kempsford Village Hall

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

Unclassified Highway from Washpool Lane to the Hannington Road

Members of the Parish Council met with Quarry operators Earthline, their planning consultants, Gloucestershire Highways and our County Councillor to look at ways to reduce the regularly flooding of this highway. The meeting was very constructive and a plan to rectify the situation put forward. It will require permission from Gloucestershire Highways and we will update you on its progress shortly.

Increase in thefts from sheds, garages and outbuildings

There has been a big increase recently in the number of thefts, particularly in and around the Lechlade area. Residents are reminded that locks should be fitted. Shed alarms are also available from the Cotswold District Council Community Safety Team for a small fee. Please contact them on 01285 623000 for further information.

Gloucestershire County Council Planning

Planning applications lodged

Ref: 13/0097/CWMAJM

Applicant: Aggregate Industries UK Limited

Proposal: Extension of sand and gravel extraction operations including the retention of all existing site administration, processing and access facilities, with restoration of the extension and existing site to agriculture and species rich grassland using imported inert materials to recreate the original land form.

Location: Manor Farm Quarry, Washpool Lane, Kempsford, Gloucestershire, GL7 4NJ

The proposed extension comprises 84.7 hectare to the north and east of the existing Manor Farm Quarry. The area will release an additional 3.2 million tonnes of sand and gravel, extending the life of the mineral excavation for a further 16 years, to 2030.

The restoration scheme seeks to return the whole Manor Farm site back to original ground levels using imported inert materials. The whole site will require approximately 3.1 million m³ of inert material to return the site back to original ground levels and this will take approximately 30 years to complete (2047).

All the related documents are available to view through the public access system on Gloucestershire County Council's website, and a link is provide through the 'current planning' page on the Kempsford Parish Council's website.

There is a huge amount of documents to support the application, but a non-technical summary is available from Heaton Planning Consultants which can be contacted by email—spencer@heatonplanning.co.uk or by telephone—0115 937 5552.

The comment deadline is the 25th April 2014 and residents are encourage to submit comments through the Public Access website where possible because it makes the whole process easier to handle and where letters are sent that an email address is still provided.

The Parish Council's response will be available shortly on our website www.kempsfordparishcouncil.net which highlights the following:-

- Concerns over increased flood risk to Whelford village following restoration
- Increase in HGV traffic through Kempsford (61% increase).
- Noise, dust and air quality impact on the closest residential properties
- Support for improvements to the public rights of way network

Cotswold District Council Planning

Planning applications lodged or new details received:

- 14/00340/FUL** - Erection of first floor front extension at Water Willows, Dunfield
- 14/00622/FUL** - First Floor extension to west elevation at Manor Lodge, High Street, Kempford
- 14/00405/FUL**— Erection of stable block, yard & external hard and soft landscaping at Coln Park
- 14/00805/FUL** - Replace existing gate—retrospective application for the retention of Entrance gate at Kempford House Lodge, High Street, Kempford
- 12/01469/FUL**— Provision of sports ground with car park, the erection of 11 affordable dwellings and 18 family homes together with associated highway, parking, access, garaging, screening and landscaping at land between The High Street and Top Road Kempford

The above application has progressed and is expected to be considered by Cotswold District Council for approval shortly.

There has been a number of changes to the layout since the application was first submitted following consultation with the School and Parish Council. Details of the changes are listed below—

- Change of access to car park. Access is now proposed from the main entrance on Top Road.
- Removal of the small community building— The equivalent sum (£33,458) will be paid to the Parish Council to be used by the Parish Council for improvement and repair works to the Village Hall or to deliver facilities appropriate to the development and the future benefit of the community.
- Construction of a new footpath from the Car Park to the High Street.
- Addition of a children's play area

A plan of the development is also available to view at Kempford Village Hall noticeboard or on Cotswold District Councils website.

For further information, please visit www.cotswold.gov.uk

Council provides WW1 commemoration funding



COTSWOLD
DISTRICT COUNCIL

PRESS RELEASE

Cotswold District Council's Cabinet has agreed to provide each Councillor with a one-off allocation of £500 to fund activities marking the centenary of the First World War. From mid-February, each Member will receive an allocation of £500 to help fund activities or events in their wards which will commemorate the conflict.

Applying for funding will be very simple and will not differ much from the current process which enables CDC Councillors to allocate funding for youth projects.

Commenting on this initiative, CDC Leader Cllr Lynden Stowe said:

"As the momentum builds towards this significant anniversary, we thought it would be appropriate to provide each Councillor with a one-off sum of money to help honour local people who lost their lives or distinguished themselves in battle. We are not applying restrictive criteria to applications for funding but we are already aware that there will be interest from various communities that are planning events or activities such as local exhibitions, renovation of war memorials, and the provision of commemorative plaques and publications. It's also possible that the funding might be used to stimulate interest and attract financial backing from other sources."

He continued:

"The overall aim is to bring communities together to commemorate a significant time in world history, while reflecting on and recognising the sacrifices made by local people."

Anyone who wishes to apply for WW1 commemorative funding should contact their [district councillor](#)

Annual Parish Meeting

Will be held in

Kempsford Village Hall

On Tuesday 8th April 2014

8pm

ALL WELCOME

PARTICULARLY SOCIETY AND CLUB REPRESENTATIVES

ELECTORAL REVIEW OF COTSWOLD: DRAFT RECOMMENDATIONS

Following the earlier consultation regarding the ward boundaries for Cotswold District Council, the LGBCE have announced the publication of their draft recommendations for Cotswold District Council. To read a copy of the letter sent to the Chief Executive of Cotswold District Council and a summary of the Commission's report, outlining its draft recommendations please visit <http://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/south-west/gloucestershire/cotswold-fer>. The report and an interactive map of the draft recommendations are available in the LGBCE consultation area, consultation.lgbce.org.uk.

Your views on any aspect of the review would be very welcome. Any representations should be made to the Commission by **28 April 2014**. Representations should be made through consultation.lgbce.org.uk, by email to reviews@lgbce.org.uk or in writing to this address:

Review Officer (Cotswold)
Local Government Boundary Commission for England
Layden House
76-86 Turnmill Street
London
EC1M 5LG

Summary

The aim of the electoral review is to deliver electoral equality for voters in local elections, by recommending ward boundaries that mean each councillor represents approximately the same number of electors. At present, some councillors represent many more, or fewer, electors than other elected members elsewhere in the district which means the value of your vote varies depending on where you live in Cotswold.

The review is being carried out following a request from Cotswold District Council for the Commission to consider the number of councillors elected to the council and to deliver a pattern of wards that means each ward is represented by one councillor—a 'single-member ward review'.

Cotswold District Council currently has 44 councillors. It is proposed that the council should have 34 councillors in future. The Commission believes that a council size of 34 members will ensure the council can discharge its roles and responsibilities effectively and provides for a warding pattern that meets our statutory criteria.

Continued.....

The draft recommendations propose that Cotswold's 34 councillors should represent 32 single-member wards and one two-member ward across the district.

What does this mean for Kempford Parish?

We would change from the present two-member ward comprising Lechlade and Kempford to a single-member Fairford South & Kempford Ward.

It would include the Fairford area south of the A417 with Kempford Parish. Also included is an area of housing on the A417 on the edge of Lechlade as well as the streets of Moorgate and The Wern. The boundary would run north along Bryworth Lane to Hambridge Lane following it to the parish boundary between Lechlade and Southrop.

For more detailed information please visit <http://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/south-west/gloucestershire/cotswold-fer>. The report and an interactive map of the draft recommendations are available in the LGBCE consultation area, consultation.lgbce.org.uk.

RAF Fairford Activities

Residents may remember the threshing machine that was used last year to remove the bird attractants (grubs, seeds etc.) from the grass on the airfield. This process is due to start again on 14 April, and the threshing will last for around 3 weeks.

The machinery used will be different to last year (and hopefully quieter but no guarantees). Two local farmers will carry out the work. Working hours have been discussed with the contract manager, and they will be told to work away from the residential areas at weekends, and to limit the start and end time to a sociable hour. This activity is required to minimise the risk of bird strike, but hopefully we have reduced the irritant to local residents as much as we can.

Work will commence on taking down around 10 willow trees at the bottom of site 16 (Washpool Lane) reducing them to around 2m in height. This is the start of clearing up the area alongside Dudgrove Brook, with the aim of carrying out some de-silting later in the year.



POLICE CIRCULARS

These messages come to you from the Gloucestershire Constabulary. Our telephone number for non-emergencies is 101 and calls cost 15p each. Visit the Constabulary website at www.gloucestershire.police.uk

On Tuesday 11 March police received a call regarding the theft of a spade from a garden in Sherborne Street, Lechlade. The theft occurred between 12.30 and 1pm.

Late yesterday evening police received a report of a garage break in Burford Road where the garage door was forced and power tools taken.

A further report of a shed break in Roman Way has been received this morning (weds 12/03). A "Giant" racing bike has been reported as stolen. Anybody with any information regarding these offences can contact Glos Police on the non emergency number 101 autoing incident numbers 174 and 469 of 11/03 and incident number 97 of 12/03.

We urge members of the public to report any suspicious persons or vehicles to police on the non emergency number 101.

Thank You.

In the early hours of Wednesday 11th March, in Chedworth, both a house was broken into through the rear patio doors and a vehicle was broken into with items taken from both.

If you saw anything suspicious please call police quoting inc numbers 78/28 12th March respectively.

In the mean time please remain vigilant, ensuring your property is secure and call police if you see persons/vehicles acting suspiciously.

Thank you for your time.

Courier Fraud

The fraud is designed to take advantage of a known fault in the telephone system. COURIER FRAUD - Advice to members of the public • Neither the police nor your bank would ever send a courier to your home • Neither the police nor your bank would ever ask for your PIN • The police will never ask you to pay money to them • If you receive such a call end it immediately • If you have disclosed any personal details or PIN details to the fraudster, inform your bank and cancel your cards immediately. • Use a different telephone line to contact the police and your bank • If you can only use the same telephone, wait 5 minutes before you dial. • If an offender is nearby or you feel in danger dial 999. Thank you

Neighbourhood Coordination Group meeting

Thursday 3rd April 2014

7.30pm

at Down Ampney Village Hall

This is a chance for you to meet your local policing team and other agencies to discuss any issues that may be affecting your community.

Everyone is welcome



**COTSWOLD
DISTRICT COUNCIL**

PRESS RELEASE

No changes to waste collections during Easter and Spring Bank Holidays

Release date: 4 March 2014

Cotswold District Council has confirmed that its waste service company, Ubico Ltd, will be collecting waste and recycling from households on Good Friday (18 April) and Easter Monday (21 April.) They will also be collecting from households on the public holidays which fall on Monday 5 May and Monday 26 May.

CDC environmental services spokesman Scott Williams, commented:

“We thought it would be useful to confirm that there would be no disruption to our normal schedules during Easter or the two bank holidays in May. The Ubico crews are working during these periods.

“We would also appreciate it if residents could take maximum advantage of the recycling collection services we offer when disposing of their used Easter egg packaging – it all helps to boost our totals.”

Any queries should be referred to the waste hotline on 01285 623123.

Kempsford Literary Festival presents
Westminster comes to Kempford 2014

This year's literary event in Kempford will be spread over the weekend of 25th to 27th April and will bring some political 'big guns' to the village. Keeping things simple, all events will be held in St.Mary's Church, Kempford, and tickets are cheaper than ever.

Dates: 25, 26 and 27 April 2014

Location: Kempford Church

The speakers:

Friday 25th April:

4:30pm **Sir Ivor Crewe:** The Blunders of our Government

6:00pm: **Barry Norman:** See you in the Morning

7:30pm **Jonathan Aitken:** Margaret Thatcher

Saturday 26th April:

12.30pm: **Lord Brian Mawhinney:** Just a Simple Belfast Boy

2:30pm **Lord Hurd:** Disraeli – or The Two Lives

4.30pm: **Simon Parke:** The Abbott Peters Thrillers and Political Satire

5:30pm: **Jessie Childs:** God's Traitors: Terror and Faith in Elizabethan England

Sunday 27th April;

3:00pm **Caroline Sandon, Countess of Harrowby:** Burnt Norton

4:30pm **Lord Hattersley:** The Devonshires – A Family and a Nation

6:00pm: **Chris Skidmore MP:** Bosworth – The Birth of the Tudors

As usual the authors will be signing books afterwards, all supported by Madhatters Bookshop in Burford (a lovely little place).

Ticket information:

£5 each per speaker yes, cheaper than ever!

£15 for 4 speakers or £20 for 6 speakers.

Please send a cheque payable to **Kempsford Literary Festival** with a **stamped, self-addressed envelope** to:

Kemp Lit Fest 2014, Willow Lodge, Chapel Road, Kempford, FAIRFORD, GL7 4NS

Queries and ticket enquiries can be emailed to: kemplitfest@gmail.com

Note to editors:

For further information, please do contact us (for use by editors and press only, please):

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grow on trees...

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GRCC provides funding advice to groups in
the Cotswold District

South Cotswolds: Contact Helen Richards on
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helenr@grcc.org.uk

www.grcc.org.uk



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BUSY BROWNIES!

Kempsford Brownies have had a busy year so far, from flipping pancakes to putting on plays!



We welcome Seren Dors and Kasey Dickenson to our pack and congratulate them on beautifully recited Brownie promises!

However, if any more 7-10 year old girls are interested in joining us, please contact us, we have great fun in the Village Hall on Tuesday evenings. (6-7.30)

A big thank you to Ceri Pawson, who will be stepping down from brown owl soon, Also congratulations to Kerri who's baby boy Zachery was born recently.

It also happens to be the anniversary of 100 years of brownies, so heres to a busy year!

Donna Kent. 810 730



What's on at

Whelford Social Club

A small, friendly club, welcomes new members and guests

Sat 19th April —Live Music

Plus regular Bingo on Wednesdays and Sundays

Opening Hours:

Wed, Fri & Sat: 8pm—12pm, Sun: 12—6pm & 8-11pm

WEEKLY GARDEN WASTE COLLECTIONS

Bin today, gone tomorrow!



Call 01285 623123 or sign up and pay at
www.cotswold.gov.uk/go/gardenwaste

* 1 April 2014 – 31 March 2015



COTSWOLD
DISTRICT COUNCIL



for Cotswold District



Kempsford Primary School

FAMILY

easter BINGO

Friday 4th April

School Hall

Doors open 7pm

Eyes down 7.30pm

Licensed Bar, Cash & other prizes!





events calendar

Please find below the latest Events Calendar from the Cotswold Water Park Trust. We hope that you will find something of interest – a quick summary of what is coming up soon

- Sunday April 06: Bird Song ID walk
- Tuesday April 08: A Walk in the Park – gentle one hour walk
- Saturday April 26: Up with the Lark! Dawn Chorus and Breakfast

There will also be some Easter activities for families at the Gateway Centre – these will be published separately.

We look forward to seeing you.

For all events booking please email the Cotswold Water Park Trust on events@waterpark.org or call 01793 752413 during office hours. Payment can be made by debit card over the phone For more information about the Trust see www.waterpark.org

Fairford & District Choral Society

Bach's St. John's Passion will be performed by the Fairford and District Choral Society on Saturday 10th May after Easter on Sunday 20th April.

Please phone 01285 712094 or visit Blenheim Antiques in Fairford or 01285 713681 or visit www.fairford.org/choralsociety Booking starts 2nd April for **7.30pm Saturday 10 th May**

Fairford & District Choral Society is in urgent need of a Treasurer.

The Fairford & District Choral Society (www.fairford.org/choralsociety) is a small registered charity (RC No1118754) based in Fairford. It was set up in 2006 to promote the study and practice of choral music and foster public knowledge and appreciation through public performance. We have around 50 active members, and annual income of approximately £7k from member subscriptions, local sponsors and the two public concerts we perform each year.

The main tasks for the Treasurer would include the following: book keeping, preparing budgets for the two concerts in April and November; preparing Management Accounts for the F&DCS Committee which meets around 6 times p.a.; preparing and submitting gift aid claims, preparing the Annual Accounts, and liaising with the independent verifier of the accounts prior to the AGM (January); presenting the Annual Accounts to the members at the AGM.

Please contact Dr Benzie on benzie@doctors.org.uk and thank you!



**Ladies - you are invited to attend a
Travelling Trends Fashion Show!!!**

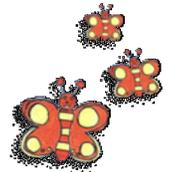
**HIGH STREET CLOTHES!! ALL PRICES SLASHED!!
BARGAINS GALORE!!**

**Do you need a few new separates to liven up your
wardrobe? Would you like them at bargain prices? Look
no further**

**Don't miss out – come along to this event and enjoy an
evening of fashion and fun hosted by Travelling Trends.**

**This is your chance to see, try on and buy this seasons
fashions at greatly reduced prices and help to raise much
needed funds for**

Kempsford Pre-School



DATE: Wednesday 30th April

VENUE: Kempford Primary School

TICKET PRICE: £5 to include a glass of wine or a soft drink

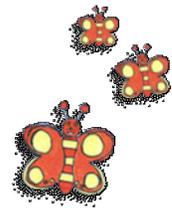
START TIME: 8:00 pm

DOORS OPEN: 7:30pm



Kempsford Pre-School

Registered charity No. 1023770



March News 2014

I think that we can safely say that spring is very much on its way now. Hopefully we have seen the last of the torrential rain and strong winds. We have had some lovely, sunny days in the gardens recently and the temperature does seem to be increasing. The children have enjoyed looking for signs of Spring; the buds on the trees and the crocuses and snowdrops. Spring is a busy time at Pre-School and we have lots of ideas for interesting and different activities for the children, and to improve our Pre-School.



We would appreciate some help with planting Spring bulbs and seeds as part of our 'How does it grow' topic - are you a keen gardener, are you able to come along and help the children to create their own little vegetable plot? We always welcome involvement and support from the local community, so if you think you would be able to help us please get in touch on 01285 811 000.

Thanks to a volunteer from the village our Rising 5 children will be receiving French lessons every Friday morning, starting after half-term,- we're very lucky to have such great support from the community and it is much appreciated!

We were lucky enough to have a visit from our local Police service in February. The children really enjoyed meeting the Police Officers and learning about all of the different things that they do. Following on from our visit from the Police, on the 26th March we are having a visit from the Fire Service! They will be bringing the fire engine for us to explore and giving the children a talk about fire and fire safety.

The children are now busy getting ready for the Easter celebrations, making and writing Easter cards, making rabbits chicks, and Easter nests. They will also be joining in with the Easter egg hunt with the Primary school on the 3rd of April.



Our next fundraising event is the **Travelling Trends Fashion show on the 30th of April**. This is your chance to see, try on and buy this seasons fashions at greatly reduced prices and help to raise much needed funds for our Pre-School - look out for the advert in the Parish Newsletter for more details.

Lechlade Community Library

Easter Holiday activities for Children

Hunt for Easter eggs hidden in the children's library and win a prize if you find them all.

Free gifts for all children taking out books over the Easter holiday.

Come and **make an Easter card** on Thursday 10 April between 10.00am and 11.30am.

Please email info@lechladelibrary.co.uk or call in to the library to book a place.

Easter closure: The library will be closed from 18 to 21 April inclusive and will reopen at 1.00pm on Tuesday 22 April.

World Book Night: If you haven't read a book for a while and would like to start reading again, come along to the library between 4 and 7pm on Wednesday 23 April. We shall be celebrating books and reading by handing out free books – look out for posters.

The **Craft and Gift Fair** on Saturday 26 April between 2 and 5pm at the Memorial Hall is supporting the Community Library with a raffle. A wide variety of stalls will give you plenty of choice to purchase unusual gifts.

Wi-Fi is available in the library so you can use your own tablet, phone and other devices and get faster access to the internet for a small fee. Free access to the internet is still available via the six People's Computers.

Computer Skills: Throughout the spring we can offer help, either if you have never used a computer before or if you would like to improve your skills. We can also offer personal tutorials to help you make better use of your laptop or iPad.

Opening hours:

Monday: 10 – 4, Tuesday: 1 – 4, Wednesday: 10 – 1, Thursday: 10 – 1, Friday: 1 – 6, Saturday: 10 – 1.

If you would like any more information about the library and the services we offer, please visit our website www.lechladelibrary.co.uk or phone 01367 252631.

LECHLADE HISTORY SOCIETY

Monday 14th April: 7.15 for 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall. Please note that our meeting takes place on the 2nd Monday this month due to Easter.

The Magic Lantern – its history and a show as given 150 years ago. Patrick Furley will be bringing a range of early lanterns and the show will include old views of the Cotswolds. Guests welcome £4.

Contact Alan Garnell 01367 253087 or visit www.lechladehistory.co.uk.

FAIRFORD and LECHLADE AREA

FLOOD RESILIENCE PUBLIC MEETING

An opportunity for residents to hear and ask questions of the continued flood resilience work taking place and to speak with officials from the County and District and Town Councils, Thames Water and the Environment Agency about ongoing issues.

Friday 4 April: 1400-1515

Fairford Community Centre (Keble Room),

League of Friends of Fairford Hospital

(Registered Charity No: 1006416)

Active in the local community

Serving Fairford, Lechlade and the surrounding villages.

www.friendsoffairford.org.uk

NURSING TEAM PASS WITH FLYING COLOURS

PRESS RELEASE

The Home Nursing service run by the League of Friends of Fairford Hospital has passed its inspection by the Care Quality Commission with flying colours. All six standards required by the regulator of health and social care in England were met and the inspectors found many examples of praise for the service from the public.

The inspection team acknowledged that the service had experienced an increase in demand since the closure of in-patient beds at Fairford leading to a growth in the staff team since the last inspection. The feedback from the families of people using the service was exceptionally positive, says the report, with comments such as “everyone was very kind to me”; “they were absolutely excellent”; and “they are very well trained.”

They found that “the district nursing team were totally supportive of the service“and quoted a district nurse as commenting: “I cannot fault anything they do – they have been a lifeline to us.

The inspection covered areas such as ensuring patients consented when it came to having treatment; care and welfare, ensuring treatment was planned and delivered in a way that was intended to ensure people’s safety and welfare; the management of medicines; and staff qualification and management. There was general agreement among staff, patients and their families that there were no time pressures on staff. They were enabled to deliver a great service and provide whatever support was required without having to rush.

League of Friends chairman, Graham Hewitt commented: “We are really proud of what our nursing team has been able to achieve in providing the care that is so desperately needed.”

Graham Hewitt can be contacted at graham.hewitt@yahoo.co.uk.

Phone 01285 851022

Contributed by Martin Harwood, 17 Churchill Place, Fairford. Phone 01285712597. Email

martinharwood560@btinternet.com

Fairford Library:

OPENING TIMES

MONDAY	9.30 A.M. – 5.00 P.M.	THURSDAY	9.30 A.M. – 7.00 P.M
WEDNESDAY	9.30 A.M. – 5.00 P.M.	SATURDAY	9.30 A.M. - 1.00 P.M

See what's on at Fairford Library:

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Apply for your concessionary bus pass for free: no need to buy a passport photo. Help given with the application form if you need it.
 - DVD latest releases to loan for only £1.50 until our next opening time** older titles (over 6 months old) for only £1
 - Weekly Baby Bounce and Rhyme time every Wednesday 10.30 – 11 a.m.** (Songs and Rhymes for babies up to 2 years)
 - Toddler Time Mondays 10 – 10.30 a.m.** (2 years – pre-school),
 - Bedtime Stories Thursday 3rd April 6 – 6.30 p.m.** For primary and pre-school children . Come in your pyjamas and don't forget your teddy!
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- “Stay and Play” @ The Children’s Centre, Fairford Library: Every Tuesday in term time 1.30 – 3 p.m.** Free event. Messy Play, Arts and Crafts, Singing and Music Group for toddlers, pre-school children parents and carers to come and play together.
 - Free family history research** help with our “Ancestry buddy” volunteer
 - Want to learn how to use a computer?**
Free computer help to get you started with our “Computer buddy” volunteer]
 - Library Club every month: Next: Thursday 17th April. 11 a.m.**
Books, coffee and a chat for those unable to get out and about.
Free transport with disabled facilities.
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- Latest publications: 1,000's of books** to choose from and collect at Fairford library.
 - New text and email renewal reminder service:** no need to worry about when to return your books or forgetting and incurring fines
 - E-books and e-audio books** available to loan – ask us for more details

- **Occasional free talks and activities**

for both adults and children -

Advance notice **Thursday 8th May 2014** : Official opening of the **Fairford Library Courtyard Garden** kindly donated by **Lechlade Garden Centre** Talk and demonstration on tubs and hanging baskets with Mr Simon Burbage, Acting Manager of Lechlade Garden Centre.



Win a drink and famous 7a Coffee Shop Chocolate Brownie!

Enter our regular monthly competition

For primary, and secondary pupils (2 classes).

How to win: Borrow a book, audio book or DVD from Fairford Library. Write a short review on our entry sheet,

bring it in or email it to us or come in to the library and tell our staff or a volunteer what you thought of it – they will write what you say down for you.

Prize winners will be announced at the end of each month and can collect their voucher from the Library to receive a free drink and Brownie at **7a Coffee shop in Fairford** who have kindly donated these prizes.

0845 230 5420

Free parking at the rear of the library.

www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/libraries

The Library

MAY NEWSLETTER

Copy for the above Newsletter to Teresa Griffin by

Monday 21st April 2014 please

Fairford Dial-a-Ride Timetable

April/May 2014

Cirencester every Thursday departing Fairford 08.30am & 09.30 returning
11.15am & 12.15 cost £3.40

<u>April</u>	<u>Destination</u>	<u>Depart Fairford AM</u>	<u>Return PM</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Tuesday 1 st	Swindon Orbital	10.00	2.00	£5.00
Wednesday 2 nd	Blunsdon Market	10.00	12.15	£4.50
Friday 4 th	Witney	09.00	1.00	£6.00
Tuesday 8 th	Malmesbury Abbey/Gardens	09.00	12.30	£6.00
Wednesday 16 th	Fairford Market - Villages (F1)	09.00	11.15	variable
Wednesday 23 rd	Lechlade Garden Centre	10.00	12.30	£3.00
Friday 25 th	Cheltenham	09.00	1.00	£7.50
Monday 28 th	Central Swindon	09.00	12.30	£5.00
<u>May</u>				
Tuesday 6 th	Swindon Orbital	10.00	2.00	£5.00
Wednesday 7 th	Blunsdon Market	10.00	12.15	£4.50
Friday 9 th	Witney	09.00	1.00	£6.00
Wednesday 14 th	Milletts Farm	09.00	1.00	£6.70
Monday 19 th	Central Swindon/ date change due to bank holiday	09.00	12.30	£5.00
Wednesday 21 st	Fairford Market - Villages (F1)	09.00	11.15	variable
Tuesday 27 th	Moreton in Marsh Market	09.00	14.00	£8.20
Friday 30 th	Lechlade Garden Centre (Food Fayre)	10.00	12.30	£3.00
Friday 30 th	Cheltenham	09.00	1.00	£7.50

All Departure Times are from Fairford Fire Station

All departure times are approximate and at the drivers discretion. To book a seat or for more information call on 01285 713852 Jill/Clive

Or call in at the office 1st floor of the Community Centre Monday through to Friday 9.00 - 12.30