

Chilton Chronicle

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Artwork in the Village Hall

The Village Hall Management Committee would like to thank Mr Dave Pearce for the kind donation of four amazing pictures for the lobby of the Village Hall.

These pictures are in memory of his wife Gwen, who over many years was involved on the management committee of the Village Hall and also numerous Village organisations such as the Women's Institute as President together with the Youth Club, Girls Brigade and at the Village school where Gwen ran a badminton club for pupils.

These pictures depict the Four Seasons with views from in and around the Village and local area and made into a collage.

The pictures were taken by Dave and Gwen's daughter Marcia Oliver and Frank Dumbleton and we would like to thank them for their contribution of some stunning photographs.

If anyone who does not attend a club or class at the Village Hall would like to view the pictures, I and other committee members would be happy to show them to you.

John Smith

Chilton Village Hall Management Committee

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Thank you

A huge thank you to all who supported the Purple 4 Polio Tea and Cake afternoon on 8th March. We had a great turnout and everyone really enjoyed the homemade cakes.

Donations came to a massive £380, including money from Rotarians who could not attend due to work commitments. This amount will be matched 2 for 1 by the Bill & Melinda Gates Foundation, making the total an amazing £1,140.

Thank you so much for supporting the campaign to rid the world of polio.

Hazel & Richard

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Chilton Primary School

News from Chilton School: School is always a busy and exciting place to be and we have had

some very special events over the last few weeks. Science Week, at the end of January, gave every child an opportunity to work with professional scientists and be a scientist themselves. We were very lucky to have so many STEM Ambassadors working across our school with children aged 3 – 11, giving everybody a very memorable experience of science.

World Book Day was celebrated in style with all the children and staff dressing up. We ended the day with about 50 children (and their parents) coming back to school in their pyjamas for bedtime stories and hot chocolate.

Are you a keen gardener? As a school, we are committed to outdoor activities and gardening is an important part of the curriculum., thanks entirely to the dedication and hard-work of Mrs Talbot. However, there are always a number of background garden maintenance tasks which are too heavy or otherwise unsuitable for the children to perform. Mrs Talbot therefore urgently needs some regular help and ideally we are looking for volunteers who could offer, say, 1–2 hours per week (perhaps a little more in the summer/autumn, less in the winter). If you are interested and have a bit of spare time to offer, please contact the school office: 01235 834263 or pop up to look at our school garden.

Intruders and Vandalism: Sadly, there have been several recent incidents of intruders to our school grounds. The intrusion has now escalated to significant criminal damage; to replace the smashed lights in our car park is likely to cost in excess of £1,000. The Police have been involved and are supporting us but we need the support of the whole community. If you see or hear any intruders on the school grounds when the school is closed, please phone 999 and report a crime in progress.

School Expansion and Places: We are very much looking forward to welcoming another cohort of 45 children into our Reception Class in September. This is the second year of our expansion programme as the school moves from one form entry to one and a half form entry. Although we are a very popular and often over-subscribed school, there are currently school places in some year groups (Year 1, Year 4 and

Year 6). We do our own admissions for Nursery, and there are still places available from September for children who are already three years old. If your child was born between 1 September 2013 and 31 August 2014 and you are interested in them joining our Nursery Class please come and see us and visit the Nursery. It operates from 0845 to 1145 every day and is free.

School Governors: We are also looking for enthusiastic local volunteers to become active members of the Governing body. Applications from people with either HR or change management experience would be particularly welcome due to the ongoing expansion that is being delivered by the school. Applicants who are interested should submit a brief (about 1 sheet of A4) summary of how they feel they can contribute to our school. Applications should be submitted in a sealed envelope to the school office addressed to Mike Day Chair of Governors by **Monday 3rd April**.

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News from the Rose and Crown

Paddy's Day Party Friday 17 March

Celebrate St Patrick's Day evening with live traditional Irish and folk music by Alex Falconer and Jess Marshall on banjo and fiddle. Complimentary nibbles from Shea our Irish landlord, plus Emerald Ale £2.50 a pint (while stocks last). Come along and enjoy the celebration!

Six Nations Rugby Climax Saturday 18 March

Watch the final matches of this year's Six Nations with your friends on the big screen in the pub with a marathon session.

Complimentary refreshments during each match.

Scotland v Italy 12.30pm

France v Wales 2.45pm

The day's highlight:

Ireland v England 5pm

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Chilton WI

The next meeting will be held on **Thursday 16th March** at 7.45pm in the Village Hall. This is the AGM which will be followed by some Magical Entertainment with a little bit of the history of the Magic Circle from Peter Wentworth. Thank you very much to all those who turned up for the litter

pick, we collected 16 bags of rubbish from around the Village and over on Chilton Field.

We are a friendly group; visitors and new members are always very welcome. Just come along to a meeting, or phone Liz Morris on 834233 for more details.

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Charity Market Stall

This is held every second Saturday of the month between 9:00 am and 12 noon in the Car Park of the Rose and Crown Chilton.

Thank you to everyone who supported the February Market Stall on a bitterly cold morning. The great total of £403 was raised for Young Dementia UK.

Next month it will be on 8th April and the Charity we are supporting is Against Breast Cancer. We are always grateful for donations to the White Elephant Stall, Books and Home Produce and as usual Chilton's own Smokery, Mashed, will be there as will The Old Farm Shop. Come and buy a cake for tea or a fruit tart for dessert on Sunday!!

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Steventon Choral Society

Continuing to raise our voices and spirits, Steventon Choral Society meets every Thursday evening for rehearsals in Steventon Village Hall.

New voices are welcome, particularly tenors and basses, if you wish to apply, please email us - info@steventonchoral.org.uk

Future fund raising event -

9th April - Spring Concert, featuring Vivaldi's Gloria and Fauré's Requiem - St Michael's Church, Church Lane, Steventon OX13 6SW - Starts at 7.00 p.m. - ticket price £8, children under 12 free, ticket price includes half time refreshments. To buy tickets call 01235 848292 or email info@steventonchoral.org.uk - Website - <http://steventonchoral.org.uk/wordpress/>

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Oxfordshire Artweeks

6,7 May and 12,13,14 May 2017 11am - 6pm

This year there will be seven artists in Aston Tirrold at three venues.

Two **Chilton artists**, Ken Messer & Lin Kerr, will be exhibiting with Susanna Brunskill at Twitten in Aston Street (Aston Tirrold, OX11 9DQ). Ken will be showing his local landscapes in watercolour and Lin Kerr has new oil paintings of still life and

Oxfordshire skies. Susanna will display new bird and animal paintings in her cottage garden studio. Just along Aston Street you can also view the landscapes of Anna Dillon and Bee Thomas. A short walk away Helen Young is exhibiting landscapes painted in oil and cold wax together with Jane Vallings' light-hearted pen and watercolour paintings.

It's a friendly and fun day out, free to visit and no pressure to buy. For more information, see www.astonsartists.uk

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Grand Plant and Book Sale and Coffee Morning for Christian Aid

This annual event will take place on Saturday 13th May at Chilton Village Hall from 10:00 am till 12 noon. Entry is free. We have an amazing range of good quality second-hand books, including a large number of children's books.

We will also have a wide variety of plants - annuals, herbaceous plants, small shrubs, young vegetable plants and herbs. We warmly welcome any donations of plants.

There will be yummy home-made cakes and tarts and other home produce. Come and enjoy a cup of coffee or tea and a home-made biscuit and meet up with your friends and neighbours.

We are hoping that the Gardening Club from Chilton School will be joining us, selling their own plants to raise funds for their club.

For all enquiries phone Judy Goodall on 01235 834503. The Saturday morning Market stalls including Manshed and The Old Farm Shop will also be there in the Village Hall on this occasion.

Judy Goodall

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Vale Local Plan Part Two Preferred Options Consultation

The Local Plan Part Two Consultation will go live on Thursday 9 March and will run until 5pm on Thursday 4 May 2017.

In line with our Statement of Community Involvement, we are keen to ensure that members of the public have a range of opportunities to become aware of the Local Plan and to understand the importance of giving us their feedback on the plan.

How to take part in the consultation:

A series of public events are being organised to enable members of the public to meet with Planning Officers to discuss the Vale of White Horse District Council Local Plan and to share their views on the proposed changes. We will be running seven Local Plan events in March and April across the district. The dates and venues will be published in our Vale Local Plan bulletin and on our website - www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/services-and-advice/planning-and-building

How to comment:

There are a range of ways you can become involved in our consultation from **Thursday 9 March to Thursday 4 May**.

These include:

- Providing feedback at our events
- Participating in our online survey, available from our website - www.whitehorsedc.gov.uk/services-and-advice/planning-and-building
- Completing a paper based survey, available at local libraries and council offices
- Submitting your comments by post or email using our comments form.

All our consultation materials will be available from the consultation start date, Thursday 9 March 2017, until Thursday 4 May. They will be accessible on our website and paper copies of the plan and comment forms will be available at all Vale libraries and our council office.

We will be contacting everyone on our consultation database to invite them to take part in the consultation and to inform them of local events. Please use the contact details below if you would like to join our consultation database.

The consultation period is being extended to eight weeks (instead of six) due to the Easter Break and we hope this will encourage greater participation in the consultation.

For more information on the consultation process please contact Louise Rawlins, Community Engagement Officer at planning.policy@whitehorsedc.gov.uk or call 01235 422600.

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Chilton Directory – Addition to Entry Vibrant Life Force

Contact Sue Southern for more information or to arrange a free 20 minute demonstration.

Sue Southern, Kinesiologist, Cert. ASK

An advanced natural health care professional
Website: www.vibrantlifeforce.co.uk

Email: sue.southern@vibrantlifeforce.co.uk
Phone or text: 07967 089555 or 01235 861787

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Please Note: The Parish Council does not accept any responsibility for the adverts placed in the Chilton Chronicle.

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Notices from the Parish Council

Grass Cutting

With Spring almost here, grass cutting is starting again. A complaint has been received that last summer grass cuttings were being tipped onto one area of the Green in Limetrees. Can householders please stop doing this as the rotting grass is unsightly.

Dog Poo Bags

The Council has received a complaint that dog poo bags are being dumped on the compost area of the Lower Road allotments. This is a disgusting, lazy habit, will the dog owner please take their dog poo bags home with them.

Want to know what classes are on at the Village Hall or the Community Room?

Then go to the Village Hall website <http://www.chiltonvillagehall.co.uk> and check out the Regular Hirers section.

To book either venue contact the **Bookings Clerk** on bookings@chiltonvillagehall.co.uk **01235 861253**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on **Wednesday 29th March at 8.00pm in the Village Hall.** Members of the public are invited to attend.

The Parish Council website can be found at <http://www.parish-council.com/chilton> where you will be able to find out details of all the Parish Council meetings, who your Councillors are, and other useful information.

Items to be included in the next Chronicle should be sent to the Clerk (preferably by email) by **Wednesday 5th April.**

Clerk: **Liz Morris, 6 Latton Close, 01235 834233**
Email: parishclkchilton@btinternet.com

Parish Council Chairman

Mr Chris Broad
14 Latton Close
01235 834347

The next edition of the Chronicle will be the Annual Parish Meeting one. If any Clubs or Groups would like to have an annual report in the Chronicle please email it to the Clerk by 5th April.