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A Reflection

Many of you already know that I am retiring this summer, after twenty-seven years in schools and the last fifteen years as a headteacher, almost nine at Chilton. Although many children think that I actually *own* the school and pay all the bills myself, the truth is that I have only been the custodian of Chilton Primary School. Many people think that the staff, or the parents or the governors are the key stakeholders in a school; they all have their part to play and only by working in partnership can we have a successful school community. But I have a clear commitment to a personal vision, shared by the staff - it is the *children* who are at the heart of the school and I have been thinking about legacy in terms of the hundreds of children I have known and worked with.

Many wonderful, wonderful things come to mind, and here are a few highlights: our school values underpinning everything we do, Forest School and Outdoor Learning, Residential Trips (starting with Year 2 at Hill End!), a creative and thematic curriculum providing the children with many exciting learning opportunities, every child being involved in performance on the stage every year (from Nativity to Romeo and Juliet) and a whole school focus on personal development (independence, resilience, collaboration, responsibility). I am sure that these highlights will also be shared by the 280 children currently in school, but will also bring back memories to the many, many more young people who attended the school and are still living in Chilton.

Thank you for making me part of your community. I look forward to hearing about the next chapter for Chilton School, and send my very best wishes to you all.

Sandra North
Headteacher



Christian Aid 2019

The amount collected from door to door collections in Chilton Village was £714.62.

Thank you to everyone who gave so generously and special thanks to those who delivered and collected the envelopes.

Hazel Benton



Hello from Hayleigh & Sarah - an update from your Local District Councillors

Hello! It is now over a month since we were elected as your new district councillors, and we have been busy with various meetings and training courses to help us get up to speed with our new roles. We have also enjoyed being out and about at fantastic local events – we had a great time at the Harwell Feast celebrations at the end of May, and in June we had fun volunteering at the Great Western Park Community Litter Pick and the Chilton Village & Harwell Campus Full STEAM Ahead Family Fun day. As we write, we're looking forward to the upcoming Blewbury Quiz and Curry Night! Many thanks to all the organisers and volunteers for their hard work to make these community events such a great success.

National Bike Week 2019 also took place in June, and we were delighted to see events raising the profile of cycling happening right here on our doorstep. Uptonogood, the mountain biking festival for all ages and abilities returned to Upton village this year, and of course the highlight of the week was the OVO Energy Women's Tour professional cycling race. Supported by six local councils (including the Vale), it was a real privilege to host such a high-profile event in our Oxfordshire towns and villages, and we were thrilled to cheer on the cyclists as they passed through Harwell!

In other transport-related news, we have been informed that there will be a new bus service in the area from 15th July – the Science Transit Shuttle (ST1), a shuttle bus service which will run every 30 minutes Monday to Friday between Harwell Campus and Oxford via the A34. This will be provided by Thames Travel, so please see their website for more information.

Remember, if you have any queries or issues you'd like to raise with us, please do not hesitate to get in touch - our email addresses are hayleigh.gascoigne@whitehorsedc.gov.uk and sarah.medley@whitehorsedc.gov.uk



A New Club for Chilton

Over 50's Chilton Cinema Club.

Every first Monday of the month:

Monday 1st July: The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society

Monday 5th August: What we did on our holiday

Monday 7th October: tbc

Monday 4th November: tbc

Monday 2nd December: tbc

2.00pm start

Chilton Village Hall (OX11 0SH)

Come and Join us for a cinema experience each month

Plus tea/coffee and cake.

£3.50

For more information please contact Rachel (Age UK Oxfordshire) on 07827 235 420



Nursery Places

Chilton Primary School has nursery places available from September 2019 for children age 3+. Our purpose built nursery offers 26 places and runs Monday to Friday from 8.45am-11.45am. If you are eligible for 30 hours childcare you can combine the 15 nursery hours with another childcare provider.

There are also places available in some year groups in the school. If you are interested please contact the school office on 01235 834263 to arrange a visit.



News from the Rose and Crown

Steak Night Saturday

Two steaks and a bottle of wine £25 on Saturday evenings. Please book on 01235 862992.

Sunday carvery

Freshly prepared with a selection of three roasts and choice of vegetables, served from 12.30pm to 3pm each Sunday. £9.95, children under 10 £5.95, under 5s free (one per family). Please book on 01235 862992.



Charity Market Stall

The next market will be held on Saturday 13th July on Crafts End Green between 9 am and 12 noon. This time we will be supporting the local Oxfordshire branch of the Parkinson's Society. Offers of cakes, home produce, plants, small white elephant items and books are always welcome.

At the June market we were delighted to raise £617.00 for Brain Tumour Research. Thank you all for your support.

Come and stock up with fruit tarts, quiches, cakes, bread, home-made jams and marmalade and other home produce. Explore the white elephant and book stalls.

In addition to the charity stalls Emma will be there with locally produced Watercress Meats and eggs and sausage baps.

Offers of help with the market would be very welcome; please phone Judy Goodall on 01235 834503 for details.

On August 12th we will be raising funds for the Oxfordshire Motor Neurone Association.



Ever Thought Of Playing Croquet?

Harwell Croquet Club is a friendly club of around 25 members. We have two well-maintained courts, all required equipment and the use of the adjacent Harwell Campus Sports Pavilion. The club has regular daytime club sessions on Tuesday and Wednesday mornings and Thursday and Friday afternoons plus Saturdays when there is no cricket being played on the field. We can also arrange Tasters and Beginners' Sessions. Just phone any of the following numbers to have a chat and arrange a free session to try this fascinating game.

Norman Goodall 01235 834503

Jim Bartlett 01491 873307

Peter Allan 07810 852961



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 **Parish Council Meeting** will be on **Wednesday 17th July 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 7th august Clerk: Liz Morris, 6 Latton Close, 01235 834233**

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