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email admin@sunflowers-grafton.co.uk*



There is something for everyone during the Christmas period so do keep a note of the dates and don't miss out!

This edition is overflowing and therefore the Doctor's letter can be found on www.graftonparish.com this month.

Please heed the warnings from our local police regarding increases in frauds in our area, most recently with people posing as Police officers.

Your Bag2School bag is included with this issue as promised. Your contributions will be well received at Sunflowers at Grafton on 27 November.



**Quackers
Illuminations**

**Sunday 13 December
6pm prompt**

**Father Christmas will arrive by air at
Wilton pond**

Fireworks Pondloons

To be sure of a party bag for your children please call Dougie and Sylvia on **01672 870650** before Sunday 6 December

It's a Wriggly Nativity!

Sunflowers at Grafton

For those of you who love a nativity please do join us for A Wriggly Nativity on Friday 11 December at 4pm in St Nicholas' Church.

Always a complete joy to watch and we love to have a church full!

Book now for the Winter Warmers Festive Christmas Lunch

9 December 12.30pm - details on page 2

Children's Christmas Disco

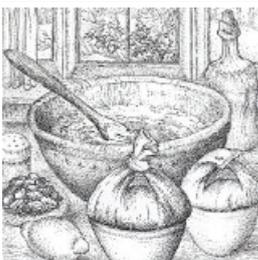
At the Coronation Hall on **Friday, 18 December from 6.00pm**

Super party atmosphere, glitter ball and lots of lights, dancing, limbo contest, competitions and Christmas tea (*served promptly at 6.00pm!*) all for £5.00 per child.

... And there's a bar for Mums and Dads to get into the Christmas spirit as well!

Please reserve your tickets now before the event is advertised further afield.

Contact either june.walnuttree@btinternet.com or billandsaraclemence@hotmail.com



**STIR UP
SUNDAY**

29 November

Everyone is welcome to come along to the Coronation Hall at 4pm and help to stir up the HUGE PARISH PUDDING

All the scrumptious ingredients will be added to a bowl during an informal Church service!



**Annual General Meeting on
Friday 27th November**

Join us from 6.30pm for a glass of wine

The AGM business starts at 7pm followed by a light supper

Everyone welcome!

Please assist in our catering preparations by calling Susie Brew on **07802 444022** or emailing secretary@wiltonwindmill.co.uk to confirm your place

Winter Warmers Festive Christmas Lunch

9 December 12.30pm

Roast Breast of English Turkey with all the trimmings

Christmas 'Flaming' Pudding! - With Brandy Butter

Crackers and Christmas Carols



Book your tickets with Liz Hosier 01264 731242 or 07831 545772

On your own or with a group of friends - everyone welcome.

News in brief

Beware of unsolicited phone calls

Fraudsters have been phoning victims telling them that they have been placed in the wrong council tax bracket for a number of years and are entitled to a rebate.

- Never respond to unsolicited phone calls.
- Your local council won't ever phone out-of-the-blue to discuss a council tax rebate. If you receive a call of this nature, put the phone down straight away.
- No legitimate organisation will ask you to pay an advance fee in order to receive money, so never give them your card details.

Police are also urging people to be vigilant after a spate of frauds where people in Wiltshire have been tricked into handing over large amounts of money to criminals posing as police officers.

If you think you have been a victim of fraud, hang up the phone and wait five minutes to clear the line as fraudsters sometimes keep the line open. Then call your bank or card issuer to report the fraud using a different phone line to make the phone call if possible. You can report frauds by calling **0300 123 2040** or www.actionfraud.police.uk/report_fraud.

Everleigh recycling Centre

You may have seen that there is a possibility of closure of the Everleigh Recycling Centre. Wiltshire Council is reviewing recycling facilities as part of the budget setting process in January and, although this is subject to public consultation at the time, if you value the facility, you should make your views known. Statistics show that the facility is used less than others, but this is not on a per household/per head basis, nor does it appear that the cost of increased fly-tipping or the additional demand on surrounding sites and how that will be managed is currently being taken into consideration.

You should email Tracy Carter – Associate Director Waste and Environment - Tracy.Carter@wiltshire.gov.uk and our Wiltshire Councillor, Stuart Wheeler - Stuart.Wheeler@wiltshire.gov.uk to raise any concerns you may have.

GRAFTON YOUTH ACTIVITIES

Our recent ice skating trip was excellent. Ten young people from all parts of Grafton Parish came along – we have several budding ice champions! It was great to see some more new faces and, with the group's input, we have started to shape the activities for the Spring Term which will be available in the December edition of the Community News.

20 November – clay sculpting & next steps for bike track project

Come and test your creative skills and get your hands dirty with clay sculpting – create your own models in clay, lifelike or abstract!

So we have an indication of numbers please email youthactivities@grafftonparish.com or call/text Annie on **07802 923344**

We will review the Tidworth bike trip and plan our steps. Dawn Wilson who has helped steer the Pewsey Bike Track project will join us so we can learn from their experiences. She'll also explain how Time Credits and Volunteering has played a part, and to tempt you will tell you about an exciting trip to Adrenaline Alley in Corby.

Both activities are in the **Coronation Hall at 6.30 pm**. Some refreshments and nibbles will be provided and the table tennis tables, computers, etc will be available to use.

11 December - Self Defence training

The session involves physical activities using pads and other pieces of equipment and basic advice on how and when to use self-defence. There'll be two instructors taking the session, one is an ex-policeman who'll give you information on what's allowed and what's not, so you'll be confident the skills you get will equip you to look after yourself and are all within the law. If you would like to know more about the instructors and what's involved see www.impactmartialarts.co.uk

Parent volunteers and helpers

We're beginning to get more parent volunteers and can always use more! Why not experience what's involved and come along to a session and take a look. The more volunteers we have, the more we can arrange and accommodate.

Further news will be posted on www.grafftonparish.com, Grafton Parish Community News page on Facebook and via our developing network. Please contact news@grafftonparish.com or karen.brown@wiltshire.gov.uk or **07795 665756** if you have questions or want more details.

Footsteps Podiatry Services

Tidworth Leisure Centre

07881 802386

katie@thepodiatrist.org.uk

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* Drop in appointments 9-2 term time excl Wednesday

* Evening and weekends can be arranged

* Home visits available for a fee



Don't forget that we have a Bag2School collection on Friday 27 November

Have a good clear out of clothing, shoes, bags, belts and more and drop it off before 9am on collection day. Check the detail on the back of the bag for what can and can't be included - more detail available at www.bag2school.com

This is a great fundraiser for Sunflowers at Grafton and we are paid by Bag2School for the weight of the bags we collect – so the more the merrier! Encourage friends and family to take part too – use a black bag or any handy alternative to pack your collection.

BEDWYNS' LINK SCHEME
(INCORPORATING THE GRAFTON SCHEME)

The Bedwyns' Link Scheme provides a number of services to the community such as transport to health care facilities, home visits and companionship. Link is a registered charity, financed by donations from clients, local organisations such as the parish councils and others. The Bedwyns' Link Scheme covers Grafton, Wilton, Shalbourne and nearby villages. We have a continuing requirement for volunteers for **driving** and just being a friendly face to some of our isolated and elderly residents. We also need secretarial help and assistance with accounting and co-ordinating the work of the Scheme.

It must be stressed that **THERE IS NO OBLIGATION** for volunteers to take on a particular duty, it is up to them to decide where and when. In the past volunteers could expect to be asked to help once or twice a month. Obviously the more people we have the wider the duties are spread. We understand the problems of people with families and how difficult it can be to spare the time. Volunteers can specify availability and do as much or as little as they wish. A mileage allowance is paid for driving undertaken on behalf of Link.

To keep this very worthwhile organisation healthy and flourishing there is a need for an influx of new blood. If you feel you could help please contact Michael Fleckney **01672 870911**

News in brief

Wiltshire in Words - a campaign to help to promote Wiltshire as a tourist destination

Why not write and submit (in your own words) a piece of poetry or an article about local history or folklore connected to Wiltshire in England? The aim of this PCAP idea is to gather nuggets of information to be used as promotional material for Wiltshire. Closing date is 30 November and full details on how to submit your entry can be found on www.graftonparish.com Why not have a go! Entry is free and open to everyone.

Theory versus Reality

If you have ever had internet or mobile problems you will be well aware that theoretically most of our area should have good mobile coverage, both inside and outside, because that is what our mobile providers tell us. In reality though this is not the case and so Ofcom are inviting people to let them know what the reality is.

Go to www.ofcom.org.uk/mobile-coverage. Input your post code and press Search. Then select the mobile provider, the type of signal and indoor or outdoor.

The map will refresh with the coverage Ofcom thinks you have. If you don't agree, then click on the 'We welcome your feedback link' just below the map

Are older residents and carers being served well in our Parish?

Pewsey Area Board is looking for volunteers to talk with and seek the views of older people and carers in the Parish regarding NHS/Council services.

If you think that you can help please email clerk@graftonparish.com for more information.

In an emergency

Salt and sand bags are available for immediate use in an emergency. It is always wise to be prepared of course.

If you are adversely affected by snow and/or flooding contact David Lemon on **07910 637 634**

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Dates for your diary

All events take place in the Coronation Hall unless otherwise specified (contact details on page 4).
St N refers to St Nicholas' Church.

NOVEMBER

15	11.00	Holy Communion	<i>St N</i>
20	18.30	Youth activities clay sculpting	
27	09.00	Bag2School collection ends	<i>Sunflowers</i>
27	11.55	Mobile library	
27	18.30	Wilton Windmill AGM	
29	10.30	Sunflowers Creative Christmas	
29	16.00	"Stir up Sunday" service	

DECEMBER

06	11.00	St Nicholas' Service	<i>St N</i>
09	12.30	Winter Warmers Christmas lunch	
11	16.00	Sunflowers Wriggly Nativity	<i>St N</i>
11	18.30	Youth activities self defence	
13	18.00	Quackers Illuminations	<i>Wilton pond</i>
18	18.00	Christmas Cracker disco	
20	16.00	Family nativity with carols	<i>St N</i>
22	11.55	Mobile library	
25	11.00	Holy Communion	<i>St N</i>
27	09.30	"Cluster" Holy Communion	<i>Little Bedwyn</i>

email news@graftonparish.com with contributions for the Community News.
Deadline for the next issue 4 December.
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MONDAY

CIRCUIT & FITNESS  09:15 to 10:15 Monday

YOGA  11:00 to 12:30 Monday

TUESDAY

 09:30 to 10:30 Tuesday

Marlborough Multiples 15:00 to 16:30
Alternate Tuesdays

YOGA  19:30 to 21:00 Tuesday

WEDNESDAY

CIRCUIT & FITNESS  09:15 to 10:15 Wednesday

 **C.A.P Dance & Fitness**
Various classes for all ages between 15:30 and 19:00

THURSDAY

 Baby and toddler group
10:00 to 11:30 Thursday

FRIDAY

Mobile library at the Coronation Hall
27 November, 22 December 11.55am to 12.25pm

 09:30 to 10:30 Friday
10:45 to 11:45 Friday
Beginners and gentle work

KARATE CLASS Children only 16:30 to 17:00

Useful contacts

Societies/Clubs/Organisations: 1 line free entry

Church flowers/clean	01672 810072 Patricia Knowles
Circuit/fitness Training	01672 810266 Hen Mackinnon
Community News	news@graftonparish.com
Coronation Hall	07479 281809 hall@graftonparish.com
County Councillor	01672 810285 Stuart Wheeler
Cricket Club	wiltoncc@yahoo.co.uk
Crofton beam engines	www.croftonbeamengines.org
Dance and Fitness	07746 479345 Charlotte Price
Grafton Goslings	graftongoslings@yahoo.co.uk
Horticultural Society	01672 810364 Marijke Craig
Junior cricket club	wiltoncc@yahoo.co.uk
Karate	07775 510143 Darren Pettifer
Link Scheme	0771 7006787
Marlborough Multiples	07967 835831 Amber
Member of Parliament	01380 729358 Claire Perry
Parish Council	clerk@graftonparish.com 01672 811335
PCC Secretary	01672 870266 Millie Lemon
Pilates	07796 225942 Tracey Rich
Police emergency	999 or 112
Police non emergency	101 Jonathan Mills
Salt/sand bags	07910 637 634 David Lemon
St Nicholas' church	www.savernaketeam.org.uk
Sunflowers at Grafton	01672 810478 Lyndsey Turner
Wiltshire Good Neighbours	07557 110418
Windmill Society	secretary@wiltonwindmill.co.uk
Winter Warmers	01264 731242 liz Hosier
Yoga	01672 841553 Lizzy Hawnt
Zumba	01672 484464 Joanna Bury

Local commercial listing

B&B West Grafton	Angie Orssich	01672 810339
Baby sitting/odd jobs	Tom Nield	01672 870196
Builder	Sam Sanchez	07887 991249
Builder & roofing	Dan and Co	07936 586228
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Car washing	wiltonwashers@gmail.com	
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Disco and Party	Steve	01672 811109
Dog training/walking	Carrie Holborow	07546 941709
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Grafton Garage	Tony Gilbert	07845 006890
Hair and Beauty	Katherine Le Bon	07770 945307
Hat Hire	Victoria Frost	01672 810386
Homeopathy	Emma H-Byass	07540 773531
Logs/tree surgeon	Jeremy Hawkins	07980 536156
Painting & Decorating	Neil Anderson	01264 731362
Pest Control	Julie Wilson	01672 811479
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Reflexology	Jacquie Gibbons	07724 676569
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