The Parish Council wishes to alert village residents to the Planning Policy Consultation on Oxford’s Unmet Housing Needs. Please see the article on page 5 of this issue.

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**June Quiz - Answers**
Here are the answers to the June Quiz
The link was: **NUMBERS**
The winners were Zoe and Andrew Varney who correctly guessed the link 'Numbers'. They have won the Yarnton Nurseries voucher.

Apologies (yet again!) from the Editor for announcing the wrong prize to the winner of the May quiz in last month's issue. In fact Jon Gardner won the Prosecco and biscuits donated by Budgens.

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Yarnton Amateur Players

We are pleased to report that our modest amateur dramatics group continues to thrive, and in June our popular ‘show with a supper’ returned to great applause! Our production of ‘Hi de Hi!’ was watched by nearly 200 enthusiastic ‘campers’ in the Village Hall, who also enjoyed a game of bingo and a delicious two-course supper in the interval.

Yarnton Amateur Players are a small friendly group who meet up for rehearsals every Wednesday. We thoroughly enjoyed rehearsing and performing the show, but the success of any show relies on the generosity of friends and family who come forward to help, and give up their time and expertise. We would not be able to stage such a show without our willing volunteers, who cook (Karen and Gary Marshall-Falland and Sarah Phibbs), operate the sound and lighting (James Heydon), provide technical assistance (Michael Green), make props, wash-up, serve in the bar...a big thank you to you all....there is not room here to list everyone who gave up their time to help us.

We are now taking a break for the summer before pantomime rehearsals begin. We are always looking for new people to join the group – on stage, and behind the stage. You don’t need to have any acting experience to join in the fun. So come and meet us in the Village Hall any Wednesday 8 p.m. – 10 p.m. Belinda Davies, tel. 372917
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Thursday
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Friday
12 noon

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Wednesday
12 noon

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Young children go into the parish hall for part of the 11 a.m. Sunday Mass to celebrate their own liturgy. Coffee is served after the 9.30 a.m. Sunday Mass at St. Hugh and after the 11 a.m. Mass at St. Thomas More.

St. Thomas More Primary School is next to the Catholic Church in Kidlington. If you would like your child to attend this school, please contact Fr. Prem on 377093, or the Headteacher on 373674. A mini-bus collects from surrounding villages.

Planning Policy Consultation

Consultation on the Partial Review of the Cherwell Local Plan (Oxford’s Unmet Housing Needs) commenced on Monday 17th July 2017 and will end at 5 p.m. on Tuesday 29th August 2017. Of the 4,400 homes CDC is being asked to build within the District by 2031, their Executive Committee is proposing 1,950 homes on land east of the A44 at Begbroke (site around Begbroke Science Park area) and 530 on land west of Yarnton (opposite side of the A44). The other sites are in North Oxford (1,180 homes), Kidlington (330 homes) and Woodstock (410 homes). The following public exhibitions are being held during August:

Tuesday 1st August – 3.30 p.m. – 7.30 p.m.
Cutteslowe Pavilion (next to the café), Cutteslowe Park, Oxford

Wednesday 2nd August – 4 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Begbroke Village Hall, Begbroke Lane, Begbroke, OX5 1RN

Thursday 17th August – 4 p.m. – 8 p.m.
Exeter Hall, Oxford Road, Kidlington, OX5 1AB

The consultation documents and details of how to provide comments are available online at: www.cherwell.gov.uk/planningpolicyconsultation. At the time of going to press we were hoping that CDC would supply us with a hard copy in the office for residents to look at during the Parish Council’s normal opening times (Monday and Thursday mornings 9 a.m. – 11 a.m.).

Yarnton Parish Council were holding an open public meeting on Wednesday 26th July @ 7.45 p.m. in the Village Hall to discuss any issues in relation to the above consultation. (If you’ve received this copy early you may not have missed the meeting!)

Yarnton Parish Council would actively encourage all residents to comment on the consultation (either in support of or against the proposals).

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Yarnton or Yarntown? Revised housing plans will nearly treble size of village

Cherwell District Council has released updated plans to build 4,400 new houses around Yarnton, Begbroke and Kidlington. The Council has identified two sites east and west of the A44 between Yarnton and Begbroke to build 2,480 new houses. All houses will be on Green Belt land.

The main site will be a high density development of 1,950 houses. It is enclosed by the A44, Begbroke village to the north, the canal at Kidlington to the east and Green Lane to the south. Another 530 houses are planned for a second site adjacent to the A44 on the lower slopes of Spring Hill between Yarnton and Begbroke villages. A further 1,180 houses will be built on the Green Belt separating our village from Oxford, while the remaining 740 houses will be built around Kidlington and Woodstock.

It is difficult to fully comprehend the scale of these plans. Yarnton will nearly treble in size. It will effectively be merged with Begbroke and Kidlington to form a major conurbation with a population exceeding 20,000 people. The beautiful countryside and open fields to the north and east of Yarnton would be lost forever to a high density housing development.

Having the correct transport infrastructure will be critical to a development of this magnitude. Surely Cherwell District Council and Oxfordshire County Council have produced an effective strategy? No, their plans are completely inadequate. A new park and ride is proposed at Bladon roundabout (on more Green Belt land); the A44 southbound will have bus lanes from this park and ride through Begbroke and Yarnton and onto Peartree. The bus lanes will be accommodated either by widening the roads or using one of the existing lanes. It is unclear how the buses will avoid the numerous pinch points on the A44, particularly from the Turnpike onwards where it is a single carriageway with the width of the road naturally restricted by railway and canal bridges, and a new canal-side residential development. The impact on already congested roads will inevitably lead to gridlock. The councils also propose to close Sandy Lane to through traffic. Do read that last part again, it is quite extraordinary.

Remember these new houses are the alleged unmet housing need of Oxford City. Cherwell District Council has already committed to building 22,400 new houses by 2031. These 4,400 houses are in addition to this figure and are being foisted on Yarnton and our neighbouring villages as Oxford City Council is unable to find land within its own district to build on. This is bizarre given that Oxford is able to find land for massive commercial developments, such as the Northern Gateway, rather than use such sites to deal with its own housing crisis. Sacrificing other districts’ countryside is more appealing.

The importance of the Green Belt was highlighted by a spokesman for the Department for Communities and Local Government: ‘This Government is committed to protect the Green Belt. Only in exceptional circumstances may councils alter Green Belt boundaries, after consulting local people and submitting the revised local plan for examination. We’ve been clear that councils must prioritise development on brownfield land, and announced plans to radically boost brownfield development.’ Cherwell District Council is failing to explain why there are ‘exceptional circumstances’ that justify building on Green Belt land rather than brownfield sites.

So it is not too late to stop these plans. Cherwell District Council proposals are meeting fierce opposition from local residents. Over 1,200 responses were received by the council as part of the initial consultation, despite this being run through the Christmas and New Year holidays with poor public awareness. This spring, the Begbroke and Yarnton Green Belt Campaign also collected signatures from over 500 Yarnton and Begbroke residents opposing these plans, and delivered these to our local MP.

The next stage is for these revised plans to be subject of a second public consultation between 17th July and 29th August 2017. Following this, there will be a review by an independent planning inspector who must examine all documents and letters from residents. Our new MP, Layla Moran, is on our side.

It is important that we continue to keep up our tremendous response and continue opposing these plans. Numbers can make a difference. As part of the second consultation, write to Cherwell District Council saying why you oppose these plans. To help, key points and information about these plans are available from the Begbroke and Yarnton Green Belt Campaign website, www.ourgreenbelt.uk.

The Green Belt defines our village, it connects our village. Make your voices heard and join the campaign to protect this valuable countryside surrounding our village for current and future generations. This is our Green Belt.

Richard Pye, Yarnton Resident, Member of Begbroke and Yarnton Green Belt Campaign

Yarnton Village Hall 200 Club

Winners of the draw on 7th July were:

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Have you considered joining the Village Hall 200 Club? £12 annual subscription, and be in with a chance of winning £25 every week, with bonuses paid of £50 in June and £100 in December. Please contact Lynne Newin for further details, tel. 07948 722633 or email yarntonvillagehall@gmail.com

Book Reading Group

We are reading 'Lila' by Marilynne Robinson this month and we will discuss it on Monday 7th August. Next month we have decided to read 'The Unbearable Lightness of Being' by Milan Kundera.

Please contact Caroline or Jim Briden (01865 372888), if you would like to find out about the group.
Plenty of sun for the Pre-school Summer Fun Day

It was certainly a scorcher as family, friends and supporters of Yarnton Pre-school joined us for our annual Summer Family Fun Day on a bright and sunny afternoon on Saturday 17th June. With stalls and games dotted around the dappled shade bordering the school field, a bouncy castle, racing cars, BBQ and refreshments, there was plenty to keep everyone entertained, young and not so young. It was fantastic to be able to make the most of our new building and garden as people cooled off and relaxed in the shade with a burger, piece of cake and glass of something cold.

Thank you so much to everyone who came along to support us on such a sunny day and helped us to raise over £1,300. The funds will be used to further enhance our new building so that children, and parents, can continue to enjoy the outside space in all weathers. We would particularly like to thank the parents and families of the Pre-school children, committee members, staff and friends of the Pre-school who made the day possible with their time, both preparing for and during the Fun Day, and for their kind donations of tombola prizes and cakes.

Finally, thank you to the following local businesses for their support and incredibly generous raffle prize donations: Blenheim Palace and Searcys; Waterperry Gardens; Eytham Hall; Marco Pierre White Steakhouse at Jurys Inn; Tesco, Kidlington; Jacobs Inn, Wolvercote; Parties 4 All; Spirit Health Club; Heythrop Zoo; The University of Oxford Botanic Garden and Harcourt Arboretum; 4 Kingdoms Adventure Park, Headley, Hampshire; Juvenile Health and Leisure Club at Jurys Inn; Birdland Park and Gardens; Chiltern Valley Winery & Brewery; Hair Affair, Kidlington; North Wall Theatre; Hollywood Bowl, Oxford; Jojo Maman Bebe; Cotswold Wildlife Park; PartyLite Candles; Fairytale Farm; Rugrats and Half Pints; Cogges Manor Farm; Wychwood Brewery; Crocodies of the World; Farmer Gow’s Activity Farm; Ovisker, Kidlington; Pen to Paper, Summertown; The Book House, Summerstown; Sew Rubo; The Red Lion, Yarnton; Catherine at Body Shop at Home; Rosie at Your Fingertips; Erdington House; Dusters Hair Salon, Erdington House; Mid Counties Co-op, Kidlington; Fusion Leisure and Fraser’s Budgens.

Thank you also to Fraser’s Budgens who donated the burger and hot dog rolls and to Sainsbury’s Kidlington for kindly donating the strawberries.

Thank you again on behalf of the committee, staff and children of Yarnton Pre-school.

Kidlington & District Historical Society

The next Meeting of the Kidlington & District Historical Society is on Tuesday 29th August, when Martin Wainwright will give a talk entitled ‘Rotten Votes and Secret Gold - A Tale of Frank Grey MP of Shipton Manor’. The meeting starts at 7.50 p.m. and we will be at The Willows Restaurant, Moorside Place, The Moors, Kidlington, OX5 2UZ. Visitors £3.50, under 26s 50 pence.
RAF Brize Norton: 80 Years of History

Brize Norton: 80 Years of History is a new exhibition at Soldiers of Oxfordshire Museum (SOFO) which explores the history of one of the country's most famous air bases. The exhibition, curated by RAF Brize Norton itself, documents the construction of the base in 1935 through to its use in the present day. The exhibition includes various items of engineering training kit, including a section of a Tri Star Control unit which children can use.

It includes a look into Brize's use during WWII as a base for parachute and glider operations – most famously, Brize squadrons were involved in dropping paratroops and launching Horsa gliders on D-Day. The exhibits also document the way in which the United States Airforce (USAF) changed the base when they formally accepted control of it on 16th April 1951. 21 B36 Convair Peacemaker bombers were the first US aircraft to arrive at RAF Brize Norton.

In 1965 the RAF took back control of the base, at which point it became a Transport Command Airfield before a steady build-up of personnel and facilities would see it take on a role as the Strategic Air Transport base for the Royal Air Force. This effectively set the scene for its use during modern conflict and the role the base plays on the world stage now.

Open now, 'RAF Brize Norton: 80 Years of History' runs until September 2017. SOFO is open Tuesday - Saturday, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sundays 2 p.m. – 5 p.m.
On behalf of Woodstock District Guides, Brownies and Rainbows, I would like to thank the organisations and their members who participated in the church Flower Festival over the weekend of 24th - 25th June. The displays set a lovely backdrop for our Guiding competition and Nathan’s service of celebration. Special thank you to Jill, Jean and Hannah (Otter, Finch and Swift), our judges, who had a tough time choosing the winners from each category. Well done to all the girls who took part; everyone made a tremendous effort. Lastly thanks to Nathan and members of the church for allowing us to take over a corner for our displays, providing coffee and cake and keeping all the flowers watered, we thank you all. We hope the events and services during the weekend were enjoyed by all who attended.

Linda Kimber (Swallow)

Senior Club

We were only able to have one meeting in June because of the election, but on 29th June we had the only outing we have arranged for this year. This was to Poole where we stayed for two-and-a-quarter hours and the weather was dry. We then rejoined the coach and travelled to Sandbanks and went by ferry to Studland Bay. This caused a big joke on the coach because many passengers didn’t even know we had crossed the water! We journeyed on to Swanage for the afternoon, when unfortunately the weather became wet and it drizzled while we were there. We stopped at Services to draw our raffle; by this time everywhere was dry, so we were lucky. Then approaching Didcot the traffic built up and this slowed us down, so we were home later than we had expected. Many were sorry this was our only trip, and we were pleased that we were well supported. Thank you to everyone. We were even useful to a lady who had been holidaying in Swanage and needed a lift back home.

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There are no Methodist churches in Yarnton, but you will find one in both Woodstock and Kidlington. Details of our forthcoming services are below, but there are also various midweek activities, details of which can be found on the appropriate website. Everyone is welcome to come and join us at any time.

Services in August

Woodstock
6th  10.30 a.m.  David Harper
13th 10.30 a.m.  Simeon Mitchell
20th 10.30 a.m.  Rev. Canon Dr. Martin Wellings  
(Holy Communion)
27th 10.30 a.m.  Alistair Jackson

We also have a Junior Church which meets every week at 10.30 a.m. and ranges in age from two to early teens. The first part of the morning is shared with the adults in church before we then go round to the church hall to share in our own activities. We are always delighted to see new members, whether with or without their parents!

Every Thursday we meet at 9:30am for a short informal time of prayer followed by coffee. On the third Thursday of the month, this incorporates a celebration of communion. All welcome!

Kidlington
6th  10 a.m.  Jennifer Thompson
13th 10 a.m.  Rev. Bob Whorton  
(Holy Communion)
20th 10 a.m.  Café Church
27th 10 a.m.  David Matthews

The Kidlington church also runs a Junior Church and crèche on Sunday mornings.
MONTHLY QUIZ
‘devised by Sir Percy’

In this month’s issue you will find the fifth in a series of short monthly quizzes. Each quiz has twelve questions; some you will know off the top of your head, many you will have to look up. Once you have answered them, study them to discover the link. Each month has a different link, and only naming the link will afford you a shot at victory! (You may not need all the answers to find the link). The answers to the June quiz are on page 2.

The link information can be found from part of each answer, the whole answer, or a phonetic part of the answer (e.g. hare might mean hair, doe might mean dough). This month, the lucky winner will receive a bottle of Prosecco from the Wine Rack. In December, there will be a final quiz with its own link, then a chance to win a bumper prize if you can find the link between all the quizzes (more info on this in December!).

Please note that we have changed the closing date to 20th of each month, so please get your entries in promptly. Post your answers in the designated Yarnton Village News box located in Budgens - by the bananas.

Many thanks to The Wine Rack for having donated such a generous prize. Good luck!!

AUGUST QUIZ

1. Who voiced ‘Scarlet Overkill’, the villain in the Minion Movie?
2. Which spin-off series followed Matt LeBlanc’s character from New York to Los Angeles?
3. Which of the seven books comprising the ‘Chronicles of Narnia’ was published first?
4. Of which British Territory is George Town the capital?
5. Who played ‘Javert’ in the recent film version of ‘Les Miserables’?
6. Which 1993 film features Julia Roberts hiding from an assassin because of her insightful paper on the murder of two Supreme Court judges?
7. Which duo swapped Newcastle youth clubs for a Saturday night takeaway?
8. In gambling, how is the roll of a double-one nicknamed?
9. Who was Herge’s merchant marine captain?
10. Which Bob Marley song shares its name with the 10th Cavalry Regiment of the US Army formed on September 21st 1866?
11. Who was the lead guitarist in legendary band R.E.M.?
12. What was the name of the ship in which Charles Darwin made his inquisitive voyage?

Fill out and return this form to the designated Yarnton Village News box at Budgen’s (by the bananas) by 20th August. Remember to keep your answers safe in order to solve the December link!

The August link is ___________________________________________________________

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Future Meeting dates: Wednesday 9th August and 13th September in the Village Hall at 6.15 p.m., then every second Wednesday in the month. Members of the public are welcome to attend all meetings.
Meeting Minutes: The minutes of all Parish Council Meetings are available on the village website once they are approved, www.yarnton-village.org.uk
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The above-named were declared elected as Parish Councillors without contest as from May 2015 for a four-year period.
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Burial Ground: The extension to the burial ground is currently being designed. In preparation for the use of the extension, the bins located at the cemetery have now been removed and have been replaced with wheeled bins located at the bottom of the bridle path. It would be appreciated if all litter could be taken away from you with your own bag.
Oxford City's unmet housing needs: Please see separate article on page 5 of this publication.
Bottle Banks: The bottle banks have now been removed from the Red Lion car park (as planning permission has been granted for 2 houses to be built on the car park). The bottle banks in the layby in Cassington Road (opposite Cresswell Road) will remain.
Public Access Defibrillators: Defibrillators in the village are located at: Yarnton Village Hall, The Paddocks, OX5 1TE (front of building near front door), Westlake Pharmacy, 75 Spencer Avenue, OX5 1NQ (on side wall), Yarnton Garden Centre, Sandy Lane, OX5 1PA (on right hand side of driveway into garden centre), 1 Park Close (in porch), and Rutten Lane Park (front of pavilion). If you find someone that you think you may have had a cardiac arrest phone 999 as usual. The operator will tell you the location of the nearest defibrillator and will stay on the phone to help you if needed whilst paramedics are on their way to you. The defibrillator is useable by any member of the public and gives clear instructions to you.
Yarnton Village Website/Noticeboards: The Parish Council notice boards and village website www.yarnton-village.org.uk are where the Parish Council gives up-to-date information on things which are notified at short notices as well as publicising items of importance, so we would actively encourage you to regularly check the notice boards and the website. When possible items of importance will also be posted on Spotted Kidlington/Yarnton and Yarnton Community pages of Facebook. Yarnton Community page has been set up on Facebook to publicise local news and let village organisations publicise events and news.
Macular Society Kidlington

We meet on the last Tuesday of the month, in Frank Cook Court, School Road, Kidlington at 10.15 a.m. In June we held a Tea Party to raise money for research into Macular which was a great success and enjoyed by everyone. On Tuesday 29th August we are holding our Summer Lunch and this year it will be held in the Forester’s Hall, Kidlington.
Anyone interested in further information please contact Tom on 01865 376482 or Marita on 01865 373104.
Marita Ferrett

Neighbourhood Watch

Burglaries and attempted burglaries have been reported widely across Kidlington and the surrounding villages. Incidents have occurred late night/early morning. A Silver Skoda Octavia Estate has been seen being used by offenders at one location. Any sightings of such a vehicle in suspicious circumstances should be reported immediately to the police.
Pet – Fraud Alert: there has been a rise in reports of fraud involving the sale of pets via auction websites. Police advise anyone using these websites to stay within auction guidelines. Take care not to end up without the animal and minus your money.
Home Security Systems being offered by a cold-calling company Pure Line are claiming their system is accredited by the police. Please be aware police never endorse a company’s products. This is a potential scam.
Insecure dwellings offer opportunist thieves access to homes, particularly during hot weather. Please ensure that ground floor doors and windows are secure, especially if you are working in your back garden. Also that garden sheds storing lawnmowers, etc. are secured when not in use.

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Walk for Parkinson’s – Oxford

Join Parkinson’s UK on Sunday 10th September for our seventh sponsored Walk for Parkinson’s – Oxford. This year we have three exciting new routes, all giving you the opportunity to see some of Oxford’s beautiful historic buildings as well as its wonderful green spaces. With a walk to suit everyone, choose from 1.5 miles, 4.5 miles or 8 miles. Experience the Radcliffe Camera in its full glory, marvel at the wonderful architecture of the Bodleian Library and the Sheldonian Theatre, spot hidden Colleges, walk under the famous Bridge of Sighs and stroll across the Oxford University Parks.

Entry fee is £10 for adults and £5 for under 16s and all walkers will receive a Parkinson’s UK t-shirt, plus a medal on completing the walk. The sponsorship raised from the Walk for Parkinson’s – Oxford will go towards funding the research project ‘Investigating the Waste Disposal System in Parkinson’s’, taking place in the Pharmacology Department at the University of Oxford. This research project will be looking at fatty molecules called lipids, which play an important role in keeping the brain working properly, to try to identify what type of lipids are involved in Parkinson’s.

You can find out more and register at www.parkinsons.org.uk/walkoxford or contact the Regional Fundraising Team on 020 7963 3912 or email fundraising@parkinsons.org.uk
Yarnton Gardening Club

We don’t have a meeting this month, but we are holding a Garden Party on Saturday 19th at the home of Ann Moss, 21 The Spears (not 19 as I put in the July issue- a senior moment!). This is for members only and starts at 3 p.m. There may still be time to put your name down, so please contact Ruth Astall to check. Tickets are £4.

Our outing in July to Haseley Court took place on a very hot afternoon, so we were thankful for the shade in many parts of the garden. Mrs. Heyward, the owner, took us round her beautiful and extensive garden and gave us lots of information about its creation. We finished with a very welcome cup of tea and biscuits. Many thanks to Serena for organising the trip.

If you get your August issue of the Village News early, it may still not be too late to come on our afternoon visit to Broughton Grange near Banbury on Tuesday 1st. Contact Gwyneth Stone on 848660 to check.

We have an all-day coach trip to the National Memorial Arboretum in Staffordshire on Sunday 8th October. This is a wonderful and inspiring place and well worth a visit. Tickets are £17.50. Please contact Ruby and David Haynes to put your name down, tel. 372577. Visitors are always welcome on our outings, as well as at our meetings.

Ruth Astall

Glyme Valley Probus Club for Ladies

In June the Revd. Canon Adrian Daffern joined us and we enjoyed a virtual tour of the Holy Land. This was wonderful and the photographs we saw were taken during a fairly recent trip undertaken by Adrian, which began in Galilee and continued on through to Nazareth and Jerusalem. The tour we had was colourful, imaginative and presented with humour. The architecture and the pale colours were just as we can all imagine, with buildings now very close together and crowded into the landscape. It was a charming and entertaining talk, but no words that I write here can do justice to the part of the world we all know as the Holy Land where the world’s major religions are endeavouring to live together.

For more information about Ladies Probus please contact 01993 812025.

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For more details and to book an appointment, please contact Anita on:
Tel: 01865 430597
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The Oxfordshire Museum
Park Street, Woodstock, OX20 1SN

Until 1st October: Viking Heroes Exhibition
In this compelling exhibition discover some of the real-life hero ‘celebrities’ of the Viking world, including Eric Bloodaxe – last Viking King of York, King Cnut the Great, Harald Bluetooth – Christian and King, and Harald Hardrada – the thunderbolt of the North.

Until 17th September: Viking Heroes playroom
Explore our Viking encampment area. The tales of Noggin the Nog, games and crafting activities will encourage visitors young and old to discover more about the everyday lives of the Vikings.

Thursday 3rd August: The Vikings are here! Come dressed as a Viking, raid the garden for golden coins; test your skills as cloth-makers; come face to face with a Viking warrior.

Science Oxford Workshops - 16th August
Animal Olympics. Ages 6-10. 10.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m. £5 per person (children to be accompanied by an adult) https://scienceoxford.com/events/the-animal-olympics/
Who doesn’t like a cuddly camel or a loveable lion?
Animals are amazing, but they are also extremely clever – able to adapt to the place where they live, hide in plain sight to avoid being eaten, and store water to keep them going for months in the desert. Join us for the Animal Olympics – our new interactive science show that takes you on a fascinating journey around the animal kingdom, using live science demonstrations and plenty of audience participation to discover which creature is the most astounding of all planet Earth’s amazing animals!

Fooled You! The Science of Trickery. Ages 7-11. 1.30 p.m. - 2.30 p.m. and 3 p.m. -4 p.m. £8 per child, adults free. https://scienceoxford.com/events/fooled-science-trickery-2/
What better way to spend the summer holidays than discovering new ways to fool your friends! This magical family workshop will show your young 'Dynamos' how to make water disappear, use ‘x-ray vision’ to look through solid objects, and move items with their minds...all with the help of some intriguing scientific principles. A great introduction to chemistry, biology and physics packaged up in spell-binding hands-on activities and experiments.

Children’s Summer Holiday Activities
TOM Tots: Tuesdays 10.30 a.m. – 11 a.m. Music, stories and rhymes for the under 5s. £1 per child, £2.50 per family.

Family Fun Drop-ins: Tuesdays and Thursdays: 2 p.m. – 4 p.m. Fun and creative activities for all ages. £2 per child, £5 per family.
Tel. 01993 814103
www.oxfordshire.gov.uk/oxfordshirermuseum

Visit The Oxfordshire Museum, Woodstock – It’s FREE!
The Key Medical Practice

Dr. Sarah Morris. Having worked as GP Partner in Kidlington and Yarnton for the last four years, Dr. Morris will be leaving The Key Medical Practice at the end of August to spend more time with her family. Our heartfelt thanks go with Dr. Morris for all her hard work and we wish her all the very best in the future.

You may be aware that the practice is required to provide a Named Accountable GP for all patients. This is not of great significance for the majority as we encourage our patients to see whichever clinician they choose, but for a few patients with very complex diseases it is important. We would like to reassure all those patients who have Dr. Morris as a Named Accountable GP, together with any who remain with Dr. MacGregor, that they will be reallocated to one of our remaining GPs in early September. It would not be a good use of scarce NHS resources to write individually to all patients affected by this change in named GP. We will inform some patient groups by letter once Dr. Morris has left, but if you do not hear from the practice and would like to know who has become your named GP, please do ask at reception after that time.

Advanced Nurse Practitioners and the Urgent Care Appointment System. We are very fortunate to have recruited two Advanced Nurse Practitioners (ANPs) in recent months. ANPs are experienced nurses who have undertaken significant extra study in the diagnosis and treatment of conditions, and in many cases they are qualified to prescribe. Our ANPs, Dan Chilvers and Dean Whiting, will work alongside the duty doctor each day to provide care for those patients who require an urgent appointment. The duty doctor may also allocate home visits to the ANPs. To allow our reception team to make sure you are seen by the most appropriate clinician, you will be asked to explain a little about your problem. We can assure you the team are fully trained in confidentiality and are contractually and legally bound to keep your information private. If appropriate, they may then offer you an appointment with one of the ANPs. The ANPs will be able to resolve the majority of concerns presented to them, but the duty doctor will be available for further review if necessary. Of course you may choose not to speak to the reception team about your problem, in which case your name will be added to the duty telephone call list and you will receive a call back from either the duty GP or one of the ANPs during the day.

Training News. Over the summer we will be joined by two postgraduate doctors in training. One has completed their first year after qualifying; the other has been a doctor for some years and will be in their final year of the specific training necessary to become a GP. When you call for an appointment, it is possible that you will be offered a consultation with one or other of these doctors. At all times they will be supervised by one of our experienced GPs so you can be confident in their care. If you prefer not to be seen by one of these doctors please let reception know and you will be booked with another clinician.
Begbroke Bowls Club

As we approach the last month of this season’s play we can reflect on the fun we have had at matches with like-minded people enjoying the great outdoors. Certainly June and at least early July have turned out to be lovely - with more concern about shading hats than rain covers. Results of matches have been mixed with some tough competition; several wins and several losses, and we are managing to fulfil commitments with various combinations of players. Friday night is club night at Begbroke and we welcome anyone considering playing next season to join us at 6.30 p.m.; there are many hands willing to guide you through the playing rules and also to loan equipment - we would be very pleased to see you.

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Further information from Club Secretary Joan Woodmore, tel. 01235 528568 or Malcolm Blackshaw, tel. 01865 377220. http://begbrokebowlsclub.co.uk/

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Unusually we have a meeting in the Village Hall this month, after our walking tour of the Parish of St. Thomas the Martyr in July, led by Liz Woolley. This was a fascinating walk with so much of historical interest in such a small area, and we all enjoyed it very much. Many thanks to Rosemary for organising it.

For our meeting, we are holding a members’ craft evening, when various crafts will be demonstrated by some of our members and there will be a chance to have a go. This should be a fun and relaxing evening, so do come along. Instead of coffee and tea we shall have wine and soft drinks and nibbles. Tea hostesses are Joanna Bailey, Sue Brewerton and Elizabeth Burden.

We meet in the Village Hall on Thursday 10th at 7.30 p.m. and visitors are very welcome.

The coffee morning this month will be on Monday 21st August at Aston Pottery at 10.30 a.m.

Ruth Astall

Yarnton W.I.

Yarnton Village Hall

The hall comprises a large Main Hall, Back Room and Committee Room. The hall is fully accessible - facilities include stage, kitchen, toilets with disabled facilities and car park. The hall is available for hire for meetings, training events, shows, lunches, clubs, sales, parties, etc. The charges for hiring the Main Hall or Back Room are per hour unless stated.

Village residents: £10
Non Village Residents: £12
Kitchen: £8 per session

A deposit of £100 is required when booking the hall. For further information or to book the hall please contact Booking Secretary on 07948 722633 or email yarntonvillagehall@gmail.com
Moonlight Stroll – August 19th

Team Budgens will be taking to the streets of Oxford from 9pm to walk the streets on a 9 mile Moonlight Stroll. This is in aid of our chosen charity Sobell House, which relies on donations and events like this to ensure it is able to give the best possible palliative care. Any support would be appreciated, come into store to find out how you can help.

The Gins alright

What do you get if you cross The Great British Honey Company’s local Honey with London Dry Gin? Keepers Honey Gin! The new beautifully flavoured gin infused with Yarnton honey is now available, and the Yarnton bottles are limited so make sure you pick up yours in the store!

Purbeck has landed

We are now proud stockists of the delicious and award winning Purbeck Ice Cream. With a fantastic range of flavours and nothing but real quality, you really should give it a try.

August Bank Holiday.

It seems an age since the last Bank holiday – May in fact! After a long Summer it seems like a well deserved one too. The Bank Holiday usually brings with it some mixed weather, but who cares, let’s enjoy the final Bnk Holiday before Christmas!

Remember, you can join our exclusive Platinum Club online at www.frasersbudgens.co.uk. You’ll get 2p off a litre every Sunday, Half Price Platinum Car Washes Mon-Fri, 20% off hot drinks, a free product each month and money off vouchers too… it’s free to join too. Why not?
Yarnton Band - Success for young players

This is the time of year for music exams, and already two of our young players have been successful. Our Flugel Horn player Fiona Methley has passed at Grade 8 (Merit) on trumpet and Ciaran Bird has passed at Grade 5 (Merit) on tenor trombone. Five of our very young members await their results for Grades 2, 3 and 4. A former player living across the world has also had a success: Mike Willett, a former Yarnton Band player, has been awarded the Allan Conroy Memorial Trophy for the 2017 Western Australia Band person of the Year.

Young Japanese visitors are always present when we play at the North Aston Fete and we played there on 15th July; they take so many photos that our band must be seen all over Japan! Recently we played at the Ramsden Fete, which must be one of the largest in the area, and immediately after hearing us the organisers booked us for next year. Nearer to home, the training band and the main band played at William Fletcher School fete on 7th July.

You can hear us at the BBC Countryfile event in Blenheim Palace grounds on Saturday 5th August; our slots are from 9.30 a.m. to 10.15 a.m. and from 11.15 a.m. to 12 noon. Peter Hewis
Antique & Collectors Market
Kidlington Methodist Church
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August 19th
September 30th
October 21st
November 18th
No sale in December

Organiser: Graham Kirby 01865 371494
grahamkirby316@gmail.com

REFRESHMENTS FREE ADMISSION

With only a couple of weeks of the Summer league to run, the A team are at 8th place out of an eleven-team Division 2, and the B team are 2nd in Division 5 having won all their first six matches – congratulations to all for great results this summer; with warm appreciation of the work of our team captains, our umpires and our club coach. The AGM in July may bring changes in committee; meanwhile we thank all those who give extra time to organising the club and ensuring it thrives; an opportunity also here to thank those on the Playing Fields committee who look after the Yarnton grounds.

Training continues at Rutten Lane on Tuesday evenings commencing 7.30 p.m., with casual sessions during the Summer break – do get along if you would like an easy join-in game during August, but please phone club secretary Laura on 07740 467107, or check yarntonnetballclub@outlook.com before coming along.

Look out for trial dates in early September for those wanting to play in next season in the Oxfordshire leagues.

Yarnton Netball Club
For enquiries about baptisms, weddings or pastoral issues please contact Revd. Nathan Jarvis on fr.nathan@yahoo.com or 01865 849352

Team Vicar: The Reverend Nathan Jarvis, tel. 01865 849352, 26 Church Lane, Yarnton
Churchwardens: Ian Gill, email iangill98@yahoo.com
John Appleton, tel. 01865 460496 email john_appleton@ntlworld.com

My placement at St. Bartholomew’s

I recall very well one of the conversations which I had with my Diocesan Director of Ordinands during the lengthy selection process. When asked about what kind of ministry would attract me, I said that I could imagine practically anything – perhaps with the exception of a village parish. Having lived and worked as a lawyer in a number of large cities around the world, I thought that I could never possibly make that connection. As someone said: ‘If you want to make God laugh, tell him about your plans.’ Well, here I am, on a placement in Yarnton, and I have been having so much fun and have learned a great number of new things. I could not think of a warmer welcome than that which I received: from Fr. Nathan and his family, from John the churchwarden, from assisting clergy, and from virtually all parishioners.

My weeks here turned out to be a quintessentially English experience: I arrived the week-end of the Flower Festival, participated in the Village Fete, got invitations to delicious lunches and could never have enough of scones, jams and marmalades at the Afternoon Tea. Maybe the only missing thing was a cricket match. Contrary to all my expectations, people were anything but cold and reserved; children at William Fletcher School were impeccably behaved and very responsive as I gave my first ever talk during their assembly. I also got a taste of what it is like to take three or four church services on a Sunday (and to drive wearing a cassock!).

Yarnton may not be as picturesque as Woodstock or as touristy as Bladon, but what I have loved most was that it is populated with real people coming from all sorts of backgrounds, with different lifestyles, and with different stories to share. I very much hope to be back; in the meantime, the parishes of Yarnton and Begbroke will be in my daily prayers at Mass. And if you read these lines please also do pray for me as I return to the seminary of St. Stephen’s House in Oxford for the final three terms of my formation. Thank you again for having me here; I simply had an amazing English summer time in your village.

Dr. Kvetoslav Tomas Krejci, Gosden Water-Newton Scholar, Keble College, University of Oxford

REGULAR SERVICE TIMES (every week unless otherwise stated)

Sundays
8 a.m. Holy Communion, Book of Common Prayer, traditional service with no Hymns
11 a.m. Holy Communion, Common Worship, with hymns. Coffee after the service. The first Sunday of the month is an informal Family Service, and after the service there is a Fairtrade and local produce stall.

Weekday Eucharist Service: Wednesday, 9.30 a.m.
Community Education at the Marlborough School, Woodstock

Why don’t you take up a new interest with us this year? Or renew an old one? We have a wonderful selection of weekly courses and Saturday workshops to tempt you with. As well as our core favourites, we have some new things for you to try. You can pay online with a debit or credit card through the ‘Enrolments and Bookings’ section of our website www.marlborough.oxon.sch.uk/commed. Or pay with a cheque (payable to The Marlborough School) or cash. The office will be closed after 12.30 p.m. on Monday 24th July until Friday 1st September (there will be someone in the office on 7th August processing bookings). Postal bookings and email enquiries will be dealt with strictly in date order.

A full copy of our NEW 2017-18 brochure is available to download on the Marlborough School website www.marlborough.oxon.sch.uk/commed. If you would like a free printed copy of our brochure or to book a place please telephone 01993 813592 or email comed.4560@marlborough.oxon.sch.uk. In Woodstock, Bladon, Begbroke, Yarnton, Bletchingdon, Kirtlington, Tackley, Stonesfield, Combe, Long Hanborough and Freeland and parts of Kidlington the brochure will be delivered door-to-door, and we have also put copies all over north, west and central Oxfordshire in shops, libraries and doctors surgeries. For up-to-date and comprehensive information about availability on courses please see the school website (as above). As courses become full they are listed for your information from September. Early booking is recommended, some courses fill up very quickly as people re-enrol.

Mrs. Jenny Bodinham, Coordinator, Marlborough C of E School, Community Education, tel. 01993 813592