

BOURTON BROWSER



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DIARY DATES

- 2nd Friday Club Over 60s, **BCH**, 2.30pm, 810233.
- 2nd & every Friday, Moore Lunch Club, 10am-2pm, **GMCC**, transport provided. 824338.
- 7th Parish Council Meeting, **GMCC**, 7pm, all residents welcome.
- 7th & every Wednesday. Tea 3-4pm. **JL** Care Centre, Everyone welcome.
- 13th WI, **VH**, 6.45pm. Jan Harvey "The Seven Letters".
- 14th Irene's Knitting Circle, Coffee Morning, **GMCC**, 10-Noon, 798718.
- 14th Horticultural Society, **BCH**, 7.30pm, Pete Ralph, "Wildlife & Plants in the Forest of Dean".
- 14th & 28th Young at Heart Club, 10.30-2.30, **MC**, Supportive Social Club, lunch £3.50. FREE Carer Respite. Bookings 07707 787580.
- 19th Rural Cinema, VICTORIA AND AB-DUL. PG. Drama. Judi Dench, Ali Fazal. 1hour 52 mins. **VH**, 2.30pm & 7.30pm. Refreshments from 2pm & 7pm, tickets £3 on the door.
- 21st History Society, **BCH**, 7.30pm, Dr Simon Draper "Making a living on the river Severn". Visitors welcome.
- 22nd Tayler & Fletcher, Fine Art Sale, **NCS**, 10am. View Tues & Wed 8am-8pm www.taylerandfletcher.co.uk. 821666.
- 22nd Greystones Farm, drop-in session 4.30pm-6.30pm, see page 2.
- 25th Farmers Market Countrywide Forecourt, morning.
- 25th Bourton Roadrunners 10k race, road

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PARISH COUNCIL NOTES

Parish Council Notes – Council Meeting 3rd January 2018

Allotments: Although some vacant plots have been re-allocated, there are still a number of vacant plots at the Cemetery Lane site, and interested residents are asked to contact the Council so these can be re-allocated without delay. It's hoped that tenants will come forward before the growing season to avoid fallow plots getting out of hand.

Youth: The Council is considering increasing the number of outreach sessions to be provided in 2018 to enable youth workers to engage with young people locally, over a longer period.

Winter weather: Please see the separate article on page 5 for further information on the Council's winter weather plans.

Riverside Walk: Works to improve the verge between Sherborne and Victoria St by laying part-cobbled matting, part-turf are scheduled to have completed at the end of January, weather permitting. It's hoped that residents will agree these works have greatly improved the appearance of Riverside Walk, and will help to protect the reduced areas of turf which are now separated from the public footpath. Any areas of turf on the Village Green which were damaged by the temporary works compound will be made good by contractors at the end of the works period. Residents will remember that Council did canvass local traders for financial support for this project, as it will have a major benefit for the tourist trade. The response from local businesses was not overwhelming (although grateful thanks again to those businesses which did contribute) and it's hoped that, now the project nears completion and they can see the full effect of the work, more traders will come forward and support us in this venture.

Budget and precept 2018-19: The Council approved its budget for 2018-19 at the January meeting, and is pleased to be able to confirm a 4% reduction in its precept for this coming year. It is also considering a strategy for the investment of reserves which it is required by law to set aside for contingency purposes, in order to maximise income from these monies so this can be used to fund local projects. A statement setting out its rationale for the budget and investment strategy will be available on the Council's website, once approved at the February Council meeting.

Village Green hire: The Council will be making its first consideration of requests from local groups to hire the Village Green at its meeting on 7th February. Any requests received after that date will be considered at the next meeting following their receipt.

Annual Parish Meeting: An early reminder that the Annual Parish Meeting will be held on Wednesday 28th March at 7pm in the Community Centre. This year the Council will be canvassing residents regarding

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Baptist Church Hall = **BCH**
British Legion Hall = **BLH**
George Moore Community Centre = **GMCC**
Jubilee Lodge = **JL** Market Close = **MC**
North Cotswold Sale Room = **NCS**
St Lawrence Church = **StLC**
Victoria Hall = **VH**

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closures. See page 15.
28th U3A, BLH, 10-10.30am coffee, 10.45 Gillian White, "Queen Elizabeth and the Kenilworth Entertainment of 1575". Visitors welcome, see page 6.

Memories of '77

On 11th January I had the opportunity to see and remember some wonderful memories from Bourton's more recent history - a viewing of the 1977 Silver Jubilee Celebrations.

The Parish Council had somehow sourced some rare cinefilm and photographs from forty years ago, familiar faces both young and old featured and included footage of the beauty pageant, football in the river, Pulhams coaches and some classic vehicles.

I'm sure the Parish Council would be happy to organise another showing of this sentimental but important heritage of our wonderful village, just get in touch with them & show your interest.

Julie Walford (yes, the surname will be familiar to many of you, I still live in Gloucestershire and visit relatives and friends at every opportunity).

The Bourton Branch of the ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

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Please Contact John Cork, Chairman on 01451 820597.

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Community Plans; responses to the survey included in the January Browser will be gathered and summarised in the next Browser, and discussed at the APM.

Councillor appointment: The Council is pleased to advise that Stephen Senior was co-opted onto the Council to fill the remaining vacancy. Stephen is welcomed on board, & is thanked for coming forward to help progress the various projects & day to day running of Council's business.

Next Council Meeting:

Wednesday 7th February at 7pm in the Community Centre.

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Greystones Farm

Things are moving on at Greystones, with the buildings having been completed before Christmas and the Interpretation Centre being installed over the first few months of this year. For this reason, we'd like to keep you all in the loop as much as possible, and hopefully you will want to be involved in the project here (if you aren't already) in some way. On **22nd February between 4.30 and 6.30** we will have a drop-in session here at the farm, and all are welcome to have a nose around and see what's here and what is in preparation. Coffee, tea and biscuits will be provided. Please drop by at any time, and Tom, Gareth and myself will be here to greet you, show you around and answer your questions.

Best Wishes, **Will Masfield.**
01451-810853

Tuscini (my cat) is safely home!

I feel an enormous debt of gratitude to the many caring people of Bourton. Due to their relentless "postings" on Facebook, watching out for, and finally sightings of my boy, I have got him home where he belongs.

I just feel as if I'm surrounded by friends who took on my worry and sadness, and made it their own, until we finally got him back. My sincere thanks to everyone, there has been so much love and kindness from you all.



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Unfortunately due to the snow and ice in December we had to cancel our Christmas Party, however we had a smaller celebration at our meeting on 9th January with some delicious punch or a glass of wine, some tasty savouries organised by Jenny Jacob and Carol Price and delightful cupcakes made by Gina Davis as well as Christmas crackers produced by Janet Stenton.

Before we could get to the refreshments, though, we had to deal with the business part of the evening, which involved voting on the shortlist of Resolutions put forward to be voted on at the National AGM in June and to become one of the campaigns run by the National Federation.

Our next meeting is on 13th February when author Jan Harvey will be speaking about her book 'The Seven Letters', so do come along and join us from 6.45 p.m. at the Victoria Hall, new members are always welcome.

Janet Randall

Santa's Magical Grotto—£7,356.00!!

Yes isn't it amazing! What can we say to all our followers? Children, mums, dads, grandparents, and relations, not forgetting all the lovely supporters who came to the adult day. Thank you to everyone for helping to exceed our expectations and raising such an unbelievable amount. The Cotswold School are delighted and of course it's all going to benefit the health and well-being of our children and grandchildren.

Believe it or not we are already planning this year, with something very different in mind. Shhhhhhhh.. but you're all going to love it!

We and our Team would like to thank you again and wish you all a New Year filled with Love, Peace, Health and Happiness.

Jim and Helen Adams

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- 2nd Orchestra Pro Anima Concert, Northleach Church, 7.30pm, tickets £15, from the Black Cat Café, Northleach Square or www.thelittleboxoffice.com/northleachchurch Under 18s free. Must book 01451 820274 07709545967.
- 2nd "Planning the vegetable garden", Hidcote Garden, NT, Nr Chipping Campden, GL55 6LR, 10.30-11.30, £30. Booking essential 01386 438 333.
- 3rd, 4th, 10th, 11th, 17th, 18th, 24th, 25th Snowdrop Weekends at Colesbourne Park, Cirencester, GL53 9NP. 01242 870264 From 1-4.30pm Adults £8, Children Free. Dogs on leads welcome. Teas, Coffee & Cake provided by local charities.
- 3rd Walk, "Celebrating Women in the North Cotswolds". Start 9:30 am The Market Hall Chipping Campden, OS Map ref SP 151 391 Free parking. Lunch available in Blockley. 7 hours: 11 miles. Strenuous. 01451 862000 www.cotswoldsaoib.org.uk
- 8th Country Music Night at Notgrove Village Hall. 7:30-11:30pm - live music, licensed bar. £5 pp entrance fee. Tonight's act is Ben Thompson. Contact Ken on 07870795560 or 01451 850502 for further details.
- 10th Chocolate Making in the Cotswolds. Work with Belgian chocolate & learn some basic techniques Suitable for all age groups & levels of experience. £45 2-4pm Chocolate Genie, Unit 21, Bond Ind Est, Wickhamford, Evesham WR11 7RL. Please book www.chocolategenie.co.uk
- 10th-11th Snowdrop Weekend, 1-4pm, Snowhill Manor, NT, Snowhill, near Broadway, WR12 7JU www.nationaltrust.org.uk 01386 852410.
- 10th & 11th Bring your loved one to Batsford this Valentine's weekend for breakfast followed by a romantic stroll around the Arboretum; £25 per couple (£14 for Batsford members), must be booked in advance. Visit www.batsarb.co.uk or call 01386 701441 for details.
- 10th-18th Half Term Activities, Chedworth Roman Villa, NT, Yarnworth GL54 3LJ. Roman romance trail, craft activities and mosaic workshop. www.nationaltrust.org.uk
- 14th Afternoon Tea Talk "Below Stairs, Upton's Staff". 3.30-5pm, talk & cream tea £10, booking essential, Upton House, NT, Nr Banbury, Warwickshire, OX15 6HT, 01295 670266. www.nationaltrust.org.uk
- 16th Rissington Local History Society talk, 2.30pm, Great Rissington Club, GL54 2LW. Turnpikes & Transport in Georgian Gloucestershire - an illustrated talk by Nicholas Herbert highlighting the improvements made to our roads during the 18th & 19th centuries. Visitors welcome £3.50 to include refreshments 01451 820233.
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Day / Date	Times	Officer
Wednesday 7 th	1400-1500	PCSO Mel Oliveira
Wednesday 14 th	1400-1500	PCSO Mel Oliveira
Wednesday 21 st	1400-1500	PCSO Mel Oliveira
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Winter Weather Arrangements

During the late December spell of bad weather, a number of questions were asked as to why Glos. County Council (GCC), or indeed Bourton Parish Council, did not clear all roads or footpaths in the village.

GCC's first priority is to keep the strategic road network running by clearing main roads to ensure supplies and traffic can get through - in Bourton, this means Station Rd, Meadow Way, Moore Rd, Lansdowne and Rissington Rd. This is done admirably with the use of gritting vehicles and local Snow Plough Operators. They do not have sufficient means to clear and grit secondary roads - when you consider the number of secondary roads throughout the district, and the geographical spread of communities over a very large area, it's evident this would not be achievable. Footpaths are not cleared for a number of reasons, namely cost, resources and sheer impracticability when you again consider the number of footpaths in any one community.

The Parish Council has limited resources it can call on to ensure grit bins are full and re-stocked during winter. Each of the 12 village grit bins takes approximately 8-10 bags of grit to fill - it's therefore easy to understand the amount of grit stocks that can be gone through in a bad weather event, as well as the impact on the Council's limited manpower resources in re-filling these.

The Parish Council also maintains a supply of grit/salt that can be given out to residents or businesses for use on public areas only, as well as lending out grit spreading equipment which spreads the grit evenly and thereby maximises stocks. As in most communities across the country, resilience in bad weather relies to a large degree on individuals (both residents and businesses/traders) pulling together and supplementing the work of the county and parish councils.

If each property owner, particularly business owners in the village centre, could clear the footpath in front of their own property as soon as possible after snow falls this would help enormously, particularly in keeping the High St clear so residents and visitors can access local shops and services. In reality, this is really considered good practice for any responsible property owner. The cost of buying in 1 or 2 bags of salt/grit is probably within the means of most businesses, and household salt is available at a very low cost, and is very effective in keeping paths free of ice once cleared. For those unable to buy in their own stocks, they can collect small quantities of grit (eg 2-3 bags) and borrow grit spreading equipment from the Parish Council for use on public areas only. The Council will also re-

stock the grit bins around the village as soon as possible after these become empty. However, again we would ask that this grit is used responsibly and not spread in clumps which depletes the stocks quickly.

We'd therefore ask that residents and businesses prepare now for any future bad weather by buying in grit/salt in advance, where possible. It would also be helpful if residents in all streets could get together now and form small volunteer groups which could be mobilised promptly during bad weather to help clear paths in their area, and assist those in their street who are less able to help themselves. When a bad weather forecast is issued, they are asked to grit paths in advance, and clear snow as soon as possible after it falls. Where residents or businesses are unable to do so, please make arrangements to collect grit and borrow equipment from the Council during office hours, and return the equipment promptly so others can use this.

Contrary to many people's understanding there are no laws which prevent you from clearing snow and ice on the pavement outside your homes or from public areas. However, it's obvious that this should be done responsibly and with due care for yourself and for others. Basic guidelines are that snow should be cleared if possible when loose and easier to move, be responsible about where you are moving snow to, do not use water on paths as this will turn to ice, and spread salt afterwards which will prevent re-freezing. In respect of the use of equipment and snow clearance in general, we have some guidelines from The Met Office (<https://www.metoffice.gov.uk/barometer/advice/your-home/the-snow-code>).

This is about communities helping themselves and each other, and we very much hope that everyone will come on board and help their fellow residents and neighbours in Bourton in winter months. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sue Cretney, Clerk

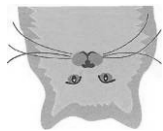
Clie Sargent Concert

Our final total sent to CLIC SARGENT CANCER IN CHILDREN FUND was £830.00. Followed by a cheque given by the North-leach & Fosse Lions Club of £100.00, bringing the overall total to £930.00.

Many thanks to you all who supported us, especially the Lions. Special thanks also to David and Jackie Van Trump for all their hard work and support and thank you to Angela for doing the teas for the band.

Thank you all
John & Yvonne Finch

Felines & Friends

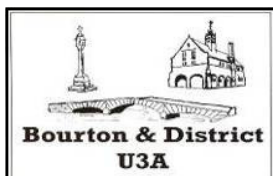


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February will kick off with the Theatre Group attending a matinee production of "Flashdance The Musical" at the Everyman, Cheltenham. The new groups—Walking Football, Scrabble, Basic Cooking Skills and Armchair Critics are now up and running. That makes 49 different Interest Groups so plenty of choice for everyone including our steady stream of new members..

Our monthly meeting this month sees the return of popular speaker Gillian White, her subject is "Queen Elizabeth and the Kenilworth Entertainment of 1575".

All members are reminded that a number of different volunteering opportunities still exist and urgently need filling. See your latest Newsletters for details.

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Susan Dodd, U3A Newsletter Editor.
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Rose Cottage Nativity Sherborne Street.

Thank you, to all who donated to the Christmas Nativity at Rose Cottage

You will be pleased to hear the amount raised for Tear Fund (charity number 265464) was £671.03 this is eligible for the government to double the amount to £1342.06. We understand that this donation will go to the Central African Republic which is one of the poorest countries in the world, 461,000 people have taken refuge in neighbouring countries and 600,000 have fled their homes, thousands are grieving the loss of loved ones and do not know how they will survive or whether they will see their home again. 'Well done Bourton'

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THE FRIDAY CLUB.

The January meeting was our usual Annual auction. It was a really fun afternoon where members were out-bidding each other.

Members were also reminded of their outing this year. The Committee have asked members to put forward their choice of places to visit, Jenny will then arrange to go to the most popular venue to make sure that everyone is in agreement and interested.

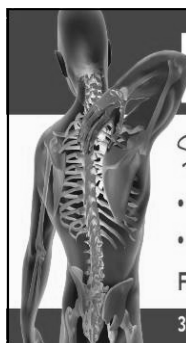
Our February meeting will be on Friday 2nd and the speaker will be Mr Bill Wragg who will talk on the NHS.

M.M.J

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Please note—the deadline for the March issue of the Bourton Browser will be **Noon on 13th February**. This earlier deadline is due to February being a shorter month. If this gives you a problem please contact us, we maybe able to reserve space for you.

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Message from the Church for the New Year

Winter Blues

Like many of you I am old enough to remember a time before central heating, a time when getting out of the bed felt like entering the Arctic and where ice formed on the inside of windows. I bring it up only because I have been having some issue with heating. I was without central heating at home for about a week because of a faulty three-way valve and then the main church building was out of action one Sunday morning because there was no water in the header-tank. I am pleased to report that both of these issues are resolved now, but it did start me thinking about the people in our society who have no heating.

There are those who although they live in a house with central heating, financial constraints are such that they can't afford to put it on for any period of time. Then of course there are those who are forced, for whatever reason, to live rough, finding

shelter in shop doors or the occasional hostel. Having been reminded of the cold this winter I am more struck than ever of our need to help in whatever way we can.

Jesus said this in Matthew's Gospel, "I tell you the truth, whatever you did for one of the least of these brothers and sisters of mine you did for me." This I find very challenging mainly because Jesus identifies so closely with the poor and the outcast that He calls them His brothers and sisters. He also says "whatever we do", so it means that we don't necessarily have to head up big organisations, but it can be something as simple as donating food to the Food-bank or clothes to a charity shop.

How can you help the least of these?

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<i>Sunday Services</i>	8am	Communion (BCP) on 2 nd & 4 th Sundays of the month
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	6pm	Communion on 1 st & 3 rd Sundays of the month

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Dates for Diary :

Wednesday 14th Feb, ASH WEDNESDAY, St. Lawrence's 7.30pm.

Monday 19th & 26th Feb, 12.30—2.00. Lent Lunches. (also March 5th, 12th, 19th, & 26th)

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Ash Wednesday—14th February

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7.00 p.m. Mass (Bourton)

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Cotswold Hall, Northleach

Jacques Astic 01451 860366

Bourton Farmers Market

Jeremy Benson 01451 844134

DIARY DATES

To avoid that date for your special event clashing, why not check with the *Bourton Browser* first.

We hold a diary for village events

Contact Ray and Susan Dodd

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For The Younger Generation

Hello Young Bourtonians,
February is here and the year is well under way. The promise of spring is just round the corner with, hopefully, better weather. Have a Fun Filled February!

Christine Sub Editor

NEWS FROM THE COTSWOLD SCHOOL

By Principal Mr Morgan

We start the spring term with the amazing news that Mr & Mrs Adams have raised over £7,000 from their annual Santa's Magical Grotto. This year the monies raised are being kindly donated to the School to continue developing and improving mental health support. In addition, Mr & Mrs Adams are generously increasing the total to just over £10,000 from other donations they have received throughout the year. Truly amazing.

Mrs Adams comments, *"We are ever so grateful to our voluntary team of helpers – so many people gave of their time and it couldn't happen without these people and of course to the overwhelming numbers who came to support the Grotto. We are delighted to be able to give such a lovely amount to the School. Many, many thanks."*

Of course, we cannot thank Mr & Mrs Adams and the whole committee and volunteers enough. Unfortunately, illnesses of anxiety, depression, self-harming, to name a few, are on the increase. It's all about helping children, NOW. With this generous donation, we are able to put these monies towards mental illness, NOW, including funding an additional counsellor, available to all children, and to allow us to proactively add mental health further into the curriculum and to increase the amount of sport, cooking and mindfulness workshops through extra-curricular activities.

In other news...

The term began with Year 11 and Year 13 mock exams – we wish all students the best in their continued work towards those all-important GCSE and A Level exams.

Ben Bright, Year 10 student swam 3.5 km (140 lengths) on the 3rd January in a time of 75 minutes and 8 seconds, to raise funds for CLIC Sargent and African Impact. He has raised £973 to date and would like to make it up to £1000:

www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/ben-bright14.

Beth Gabriel, Year 12 made her senior debut with Severn Stars in the netball tri tournament held in Bath. A huge achievement.

The Year 9 rugby team won their quarter final match in the EDF Energy Cup in association with Gloucester Rugby. The EDF Energy U14s Schools Cup is an annual competition open to all schools across Gloucestershire. It is a straight knockout competition with the final held at Kingsholm Stadium. The best of luck to the team!

In North Cotswolds Rotary News: A first round of the Rotary Young Chef Competition took place at The Cotswold School back in November. Six students - Alice Cannon, Henry Cannon, Peter Hoole-Jackson, Ed Parker, Hattie Price and Florence Sumner - took part, and they served up some excellent dishes for the judges - Rotarians Peter Boxall and Bob Hadley, with Amanda Everitt and Caroline Wrightson - to taste. Picking a winner was not easy, but in the end the judges chose Hattie Price — her panna cotta was delicious— and in second place was Ed Parker.

The first round of the Rotary Young Writer competition was held

at The Cotswold School last term. The subject this year was a challenging one - 'A Different Perspective'. There were over 150 entries from The Cotswold School in the intermediate and senior age categories. Congratulations to the winners and runners up, and those commended: Seniors - 1st, Bethan Powell; 2nd, Charlotte Davis; Intermediates - 1st, Alexa Butterfield; 2nd, Victoria Kennedy; 3rd, Ollie Brosch. Highly Commended were: Alessandro Griffini, Lorna Finnimore, Jasmine Shaw.

We welcomed Lucinda Jarratt into the School. She heads up 'Dream a Difference' which aims to connect schools across the world with poetry. English classes of Year 8 are taking part this year, following the success of last year's initiative.

We wish all those students off to New York, Spain, France and Germany good trips and safe travels.

NOW RECRUITING...

TEACH IN THE COTSWOLDS

The Cotswold Teaching Partnership is now open for applications to study teaching in either secondary or primary school education. New for 2018 are places available in primary teaching in the North Cotswold area, as well as continuing with places for secondary education.

Ben Edwards Teaching School Manager, based at The Cotswold School where he is a Teacher of History and who sits on the Senior Leadership Team comments, *"We find that the School Direct courses that are offered through the CTSP often suit career changers with the knowledge and comfort of knowing where and how they will teach. Working in partnership with other local schools, experienced teachers, training providers and universities, these School Direct courses enable graduate status students to gain either a PGCE or Qualified Teacher Status training in a supportive environment at the heart of everyday life in a school. Many of our current recruits have all had prior careers and all live within a 15-mile or so radius of The Cotswold School. Some of our current trainees confirm,*

'Changing career to teaching hasn't disappointed – it's a challenging and rewarding career where every day is so different!' Current student Christina, a former vet, lives in Upper Rissing-ton

Daniel from Chipping Norton is now training to be a Maths Teacher, *'I have always enjoyed passing on the torch of learning. As a butler, this was limited to educating people on wines, with the reward of comprehension being infrequent. Choosing to be a teacher, I am seeing the rewards every hour.'*

For Rachel from Cheltenham, her previous career in the world of textiles business didn't allow her to be as creative as she wanted, *'I decided to teach because I'm passionate about the arts and wanted that opportunity to pass that on to young people.'*

Gloucestershire Graduate Trainee places are available now to start training this September and we are asking, in particular for primary school trainees as well as announcing places for secondary school – **go on, teach!**"

Local Groups and Organisations for the YOUNGER GENERATION

Army Cadets	IJ Haines	850758 after 6.30pm
Beavers	Tim Hemming	810996
Bell Ringers, BoW	Anne Clark	820759
Bourton Gymnastic Club	Martin Collett	820015 /07870624180
Bourton Road Runners Juniors	Richard Buffton	831733 / 824379
B'n Out of School Club (OSC)		07950 048066
B'n Rovers Youth	Deb Hunt	810966
Bourton Vale Cricket Club	Matt Walton	831954
B'n Vale Equestrian Centre	Leanne Lainchbury	821101
Bourton Vale Tennis Club	James Hilltout	07946 397186
Brownies	Kathleen Punchard	824459
Bumblebeez babies & pre-school tots	Linda Powell	822206
Canoe Club	Oliver Robbins	07890318079
Cubs	Paul Davies	01993 201059

Guides	Angie Iredale	822810
Hockey	Tracy Dixon	07813187933
'J' Team	Philippa Duckmanton	820754
Noah's Ark Toddlers Group	Ian Fowler	07906518316
Pre-School	Julie Cooper	07950 048066
Pre-School Jujitsu	Andy or Hayley	07951587398
Pre-School Gymnastics	Caroline Ardron	07793949198
Pre-School Friday Club	Gina Davis	07515866358
Pre-School Music Class	Sian Ferris	01242 890200
Rainbows	Angie Iredale	822810
Rascals, Babies & Toddlers	Veronika Boshier	824257
Scouts/Explorer Scouts	Scott & Lynn Dartnell	810332
Taekwon-do	Lee Chapman	01285 640500
Wiggle	Maria Blundell-Paethorpe	07732754431



About the CTSP

The Cotswold Teaching School Partnership (CTSP) was

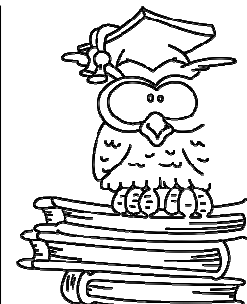
founded in April 2016 and is administered by The Cotswold School based in Bourton-on-the-Water, Cheltenham – a highly popular, happy and successful 11-18 secondary comprehensive school, outstanding across every category and sub-category as judged by Ofsted in the last three reports. The CTSP brings together a range of local primary and secondary schools with a prime focus on improving the educational experience of pupils in our schools and to support and develop teachers professionally in the local region and beyond.

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bedwards@thecotswoldschool.co.uk

For more information please visit

<https://www.cotswoldteachingschoolpartnership.org.uk/>



Interact Club

The Interact Group at the Cotswold School ran a Christmas Jumper Day on the last day of term. Students paid £1 to wear a Christmas Jumper to get in the festive spirit. The group raised £289.53 for Save the Children. They also raised £39.06 for local charities by selling Christmas goodies such as mince pies, candy canes and gingerbread men! Well done to all who helped organise and support this event.

Zara Bhambra

PARENTS&TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

Dear Quiz-goer,

THE COTSWOLD SCHOOL PTA QUIZ NIGHT IS BACK!

Yes, it's already time to think about getting a team together for our Quiz night! So please put the date in your diary - **Friday 9th of March 2018** - when we will be hosting the next quiz in the school hall, starting promptly at 7.30pm. As usual, it's a general knowledge quiz for teams of up to four. The entry fee is £20 per team. There will be a licensed bar, raffle, free snacks and prizes for the winners! ALL PROCEEDS GO TO SCHOOL FUNDS AND WE WILL GREATLY APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT!

If you would like to enter a team, please return the slip below, and your fee, to the school, addressed to 'Pupil Reception', so that we can plan our event!

If you could let us know by the 28th of February, we would very much appreciate it.

Please feel free to pass on this invitation to anybody else you think might be interested. We hope that you will be able to join us again.

We hope to see you on March 9th 2018!

Kind Regards,

Anita Torris Quiz Organiser Phone Anita on 07825 408551 or e-mail address: anita.zantor@yahoo.co.uk

COTSWOLD SCHOOL PTA QUIZ NIGHT

ENTRY FORM

Name of Team.....

Name of Team Organiser

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Award Presented for an Amazing 30 Years of Volunteering Service

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Flexman who received their long service award for an incredible 30 years of volunteering service to Cotswold Friends.



Cotswold Friends is a local charity based in Moreton-in-Marsh, providing Community Transport, Befriending, Carer Respite and Community Activities to older and vulnerable people in the North Cotswolds. Mr. Flexman is a volunteer driver, taking those who cannot drive or use public transport to their medical and social appointments. Mrs. Flexman attends each drive providing additional help and support to those using the service.

Mr. and Mrs. Flexman were presented with a beautiful picture of Upper Slaughter, painted by local artist Tom Asbridge. Following the presentation, Mr. Flexman said: ".....It is pleasing to have been able to serve the community... and I am cheered to know that other volunteers are helping to keep this essential service alive. I offer my thanks to my wife and all those who have encouraged me in my period of service which I hope to continue while my health permits. We find this is not only a wonderful way of making friends but also, hopefully, encourages others in this service to the community."

Cotswold Friends urgently needs more volunteer drivers with over 1,100 members currently registered to use the service and almost 5,000 drives completed within the last year. Driving for Cotswold Friends is rewarding and flexible. As a volunteer driver, you will be reimbursed for the miles you drive, offered training opportunities and invited to social events. Please do get in touch for an informal chat if you think you could help:

Pop into our offices inside the Moreton Area Centre, High Street, Moreton-in-Marsh

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Too many provincial auctioneers have crowded salerooms where fine antiques jostle with boxes of prints, tailors dummies and old brass bedsteads. Stacked in heaps, it is the way things have been done for years and makes a wonderfully Dickensian spectacle; however, despite the outward charm, stacking it high often leads to selling it low. It is also disheartening for vendors to see their treasured item stuffed in among many others on a shelf, making them reluctant to sell further items. At Chorley's saleroom, room settings show each item to its best advantage and buyers are able to see an item's potential as part of a wider decorative scheme, often prompting them to bid on items they might have overlooked in a cramped saleroom.

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BOURTON PANTO GROUP

The curtains are now closed and the scripts have been put down, the cast and crew are putting their feet up and are just beginning a well earned rest. But it won't last long we will soon be back and working towards the next production.



Bourton Panto Group have been producing shows since 1979 when the group was formed by Richard Mooney. He decided the village would benefit from some home grown entertainment so he put his creative flair into a Panto. The proceeds from their production of Dick Whittington were donated to charity. The group has developed and grown since then and, as you know, they perform more than the panto. Usually entertaining with a summer production, last year was no exception with a spectacular junior production which was thoroughly enjoyed by all. The Panto group also run fetes and various activities through the year. If you would like to read more about the history and activities of the group go to www.boutonpantogroup.com.

Alternatively, if you would like to see what happens or if you have any ideas for the next production come along and let us know. Come and join in when rehearsals start for the next production. They will be every Tuesday and Thursday evening 7.30pm-9.30pm at Victoria Hall, watch this space to see when they're starting again.

You can support the Bourton Panto Group by being a Patron. If you would like to find out about this please ring Jackie Denham on 01451 810617 for details. If you would like to join the group and be part of the fun you can speak to Jan Close on 01451 831911.

JACKIE DENHAM



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MORETON BOWLS CLUB

Although we haven't seen the last of the winter yet, the promise of spring is just around the corner. Monday "Club Nights" are growing in popularity with more members enjoying the relaxed atmosphere and chance to socialise with darts, cards, board games and chat as well as short mat bowls!

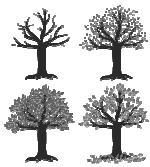


Even though the green isn't played on until April, there are plenty of jobs outside that require attention before the outdoor season begins. A working party of club members have completed general cleaning of the paving slabs and exterior areas. The flower beds will be given a make-over soon and pots prepared to accept new plants and bulbs to create some beautiful floral displays around the green. The work was achieved in one morning with the volunteers in jovial mood, well supplied with hot drinks and even bacon butties! Many thanks to everyone who helped with the work and provided refreshments.

The calendar for the season is prepared and will be given to members soon, setting out the games for this year. We look forward to the summer with anticipation and hope for a host of competitions and "friendlies" at Moreton when we invite teams to our green. There will also be several trips to other clubs, meeting others who share our passion for the sport. Sometimes we see people for the first time but it is also the opportunity to catch up with friends from previous away matches.

If you would like any details about trying the game of bowls, becoming a member, or even a social member, please contact our Club Captain B. Dix on 01451 821020.

Ann Chapman



Bourton Vale Horticultural Society your friendly garden club

10th January 2018: AGM and

Chris Small: *Preparing Vegetables for Showing*

Next month: 14th February: Pete Ralph - *Wildlife and Plants in the Forest of Dean*. **Competition: Vase of Snowdrops**

Very pleased to see an excellent turn out for the Annual General Meeting, which was dispatched with speed and efficiency by our President, Sheila Thorpe, aided and abetted by the Chairman, Mike. He not only gave a comprehensive review of the year, covering our talks, outings and events, but also the Show. As he had also been covering the vacant position of Treasurer, he gave a brief report on our financial position - which is healthy - pending the publication of the accounts after they have been scrutinised. This will probably be February.

Mike thanked everyone who helps with the organising of events, particularly the Show. This requires more people than just the committee, and we are hugely grateful to all those who give their time. He also thanked the committee who always reliably act and react.

Sheila then thanked Mike too for all the work he does for the Society. She confirmed that all the existing committee are prepared to stand again with just the addition of Carole Keen who is helping with the accounts.

Following the AGM we were due to have a talk on chickens, but the speaker had to cancel at the last minute. We were very grateful that Chris Small was able to step in to guide us in the gentle art of showing vegetables. A lot of extremely helpful information - a lot of it aimed at ensuring the exhibitor has actually grown the produce! It seems that to impress the judge, presentation is the key. Present your tomatoes or carrots with their best side to the judge, and all will be well. We will now apply his helpful hints to the new Show schedule which will be under discussion shortly.

The prize for the vase of flowering shrubs was won by Sue Davies. Please do all enter the next month's competition of snowdrops. Mine are already in full flower - spring is on the way.

Antoinette Green

ROTARY CLUB OF THE NORTH COTSWOLDS

Rotary Young Writer Competition

The first round held at The Cotswold School has just been completed. The challenging subject this year - 'A Different Perspective' caught the imagination of over 150 entries from The Cotswold School in the Intermediate and Senior age categories, and among these were some excellent pieces of work, showing both imagination and good written English in both prose and poetry. Congratulations to the winners.



The Spirit of Christmas. "Community Awareness" is a local charity that brings a little bit of seasonal good cheer to needy families throughout the North Cotswolds area. A recent report found that, surprisingly, the Cotswolds is the second worst area in the country to be poor. This Christmas, with our help, they provided 180 local children from such families with a Santa Sack of toys, stationery, books and games, and a further 80 families with bags of fresh fruit, vegetables and groceries. Well done to all the Community Awareness volunteers - The Rotary Club of the North Cotswolds is pleased to support the work you do.



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Irene's Charity Knitting Circle

Our first meeting in 2018, on 10th January, was well attended and we had a few celebration nibbles to welcome in the New Year.

We have already started the year off with a further supply of baby beanie hats and a few teddies for the Great Western Hospital in Swindon. The maternity unit is always very grateful and we aim to keep up a regular supply during the year as they need several thousand over a twelve month period.



On 22nd January we delivered a carload of items for distribution from the Telford Distribution Centre to the many poor and needy families who live in desperate circumstances at home and overseas.

Peter and I are so grateful for all the support we receive and are very proud of the efforts made by our members throughout the year. If you enjoy knitting/crochet, we are always looking for new members to come and join us and a welcome awaits you on the second Wednesday of each month from 10:00 - 12:00 noon at The Cafe, Bourton-on-the-Water Community Centre in Moore Road.

**For further information about our activities please telephone: Irene Summers 01451 798718
Peter Boxall 01451 820099**

GREAT RISSINGTON ARCHERS



Great Rissington Archers is a thriving archery club (founded in 2006) at the Great Rissington Club.

You may have seen us last year at the Upper Rissington summer fete or at the Health and Wellbeing event at the North Cotswold Hospital, where we helped raise money for charity.

We hope to be at the Great Rissington Fete again next year, and if we are would like to invite you all to come along and have a go.

If you feel that archery may be of interest for you, we run several beginners courses throughout the year. Our next course starts on the 2nd May this year and a second course will be run starting 20th June. (There are, however, some age and height limitations for youngsters.)

Participants undertake 12 hours of structured tuition when they learn how to shoot safely and with the correct technique.

At the end of the course participants receive a certificate showing that they have attended an Archery GB approved beginner's course and then they are invited to join the club.

We are always ready to welcome new people in a friendly and relaxed manner. If you are interested in trying archery or have a valid Archery GB membership, please check out our website at www.grarchers.org.uk or pop down to the club for a chat.

Gary Wright



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Mummers

The Mummers Play is considered to have its origin in some form of very early pagan ceremony to portray the seasonal winter cycle of death and rebirth in the spring. More recently, it has been suggested the plays may only have appeared in the 18th Century as there is no written record of them before this date. The plays were passed down by word of mouth, changing over time, as some bits were forgotten, ad-libbed or made more topical. Bourton had its own band of mummers who performed up until the First World War.

Most plays were performed around the Christmas period. An essential purpose of the costume was to hide the wearer's identity from the audience. The performances took place either outside or in places such as public houses and inns – anywhere where there was an open space.

There was no "acting" as such, the characters stood back, stepped forward to say their lines and then stepped back again. The only real action took place during the fight. Then, once the champion was dead, the doctor was called to revive him. He might use a hammer, saw, pincers – any tool more likely found in a workshop rather than a doctor's surgery. After the "cure" the extra characters stepped forward and said their lines, usually finishing up with a song and dance. At the end, a collection of money was sought from the spectators by the mummers.

This old tradition was revived at the U3A Christmas Cracker event last December and stuck to the well-established plot. Their clothing was crude, the 'acting' was over-the-top and the audience were roused to shout such utterances as: Boo, Hiss, and Huzzah! Have a look at these photos to compare the old and new. **Sue Roberts**



Left
Bourton Mummers
Group pre WWI.

Below
Bourton & District
U3A Mummers
Group at the Christmas Party 2017



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Horticultural Society	Antoinette Green	824141
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Bourton 10k 25th February

Bourton Roadrunners hosts its annual 10k race at 10.30am on 25th February. We're always very grateful to Bourton residents for their patience and tolerance for the disruption this causes to village life.

This year, we're expecting more than 600 runners and their supporters so we can expect increased traffic before and after the race. We've instructed people to use the pay and display car parks and not to find street parking or park at the leisure centre.

We have permission to close the roads in the inner village loop (Victoria Street, Letch Lane and Sherborne Street) from 9.30am to midday and the High Street will be closed from 10am to midday. The Rissington Road will be closed from 10.30am to 11am (eastbound) and from 10.30 until about 11.30am (westbound).

We'd be extremely grateful if people could avoid driving at these times but if you do need to leave the village, please follow the instructions of one of the many marshals who'll do their best to help.

For those wanting to watch the race, and some of Gloucestershire's finest athletes in action, we'd recommend walking along the Rissington Road for a longer, uninterrupted view. The middle of the High Street, where the race starts and finishes, can get very congested and we need to keep the route clear for finishers from about 11am to 11.45am.

This year, we're supporting the Sam Pilcher Trust and donating 50% of the entry fees to this cause. We're hoping to have representatives from the trust on the day so do please come along and find out a bit more about the work they do to support families of children with cancer.

If you have any questions about this year's Bourton 10k, please email bourtonroadrunners@gmail.com or leave a message on our Facebook page.

Chris Dry

Bourton Roadrunners Chairman

Bourton Browser Team News

Well February is already upon us and it will soon be half term and Valentine's Day. Where does the time go?

We currently have space for 1 large or 2 small commercial adverts in next month's Browser, this is an unusual occurrence as most months tend to have a waiting list! If you run a business or provide a service in or near Bourton and would like to take up this advertising opportunity please contact us quickly, it will be first come, first served! Our rates are low and we deliver promptly and reliably. The Browser is full of local news and information (with limited adverts). It is therefore easy to read and full of relevant content. Most households keep it safe and refer to it throughout the month.

We currently print 2200 copies and deliver door to door throughout Bourton and Clapton on the Hill. We also place spare copies in the Community Centre, Post Office, Leisure Centre and various shops in the village. These are intended for residents of other local villages and tourists. Full details of our rates can be found on page 16.

Many advertisers tell us that Inclusion in this magazine enhances their trade and some find it is all the advertising they need to do. Commercial advertising revenue is our only source of income so advertising with us also shows your commitment to the Village by supporting a valuable resource. As everybody involved with the Browser is a volunteer and our only substantial outgoing is the cost of printing we are able to keep charges low and still make donations to support various village groups and projects.

If you would like to discuss your advertising needs do contact Ray Dodd Advertising Manager ASAP. See page 16.

We still need a new deliverer for the far end of Marshmouth Lane. This round is only about 7 houses. If we don't get a volunteer these residents will have to collect Browsers from the Post Office in future. If you can help please contact Rob and Christine (contact details on page 1).

The *Bourton Browser* Team

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Delivery—We print 2200 copies and aim to deliver to every house in Bourton-on-the-Water & Clapton-on-the-hill. A few people in outlying properties have to collect their copies from GMCC. Copies are also available from some village shops and GMCC.

Ray Dodd, Advertising Manager

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It's never too early to plan your next holiday, so why not pop in to see Lisa and Dawn for a chat or contact us now by phone or email.

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