

Farthinghoe Chronicle

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Farthinghoe Primary School News

The Christmas Bazaar We would like to thank everyone who contributed to our bazaar this year. It was yet another fun and successful event with the help and support from our amazing parents, volunteers, stall-holders, the dedicated staff of Farthinghoe School and the local businesses who donated generously towards the raffle. Of course a special thank-you goes to Santa who came to visit our school to give out lovely presents and to those who came to join in the fun and spent generously to help raise funds for much needed school playground equipment for our school – we raised an amazing total of £660.55 - thank you!

Round Table Collection With the help of Santa from Brackley Round Table we raised £460 on Saturday night collecting door to door in Farthinghoe and Greatworth. We thought it would be friendly to give £100 to Greatworth School as we collected in their village too and add £340 to our School Ties Christmas Bazaar total to make up to £1000 for playground equipment which is fantastic! The remaining £20 will go to Shelterbox, our school's chosen charity for this year. Many thanks to all who volunteered and supported this event; we couldn't have done it without you all.

STOP PRESS!!! Temporary Road Closure TTRO12/13 392:

Due to issues with a culvert that runs under the A422 Brackley Road, Farthinghoe there is a requirement to replace it. With the depth of the existing culvert it will require that the carriageway is excavated to allow the removal and replacement. Due to the depth and required safety zones it will not be possible to undertake this work without closing the carriageway in both directions. The intention is to carry out the works over a weekend which would hopefully give enough time for sufficient reinstatement to be completed which will in turn allow the road to be opened under traffic lights. Although it is the intention to complete the works between the dates and times specified if there are any unforeseen issues it will not be possible reopen the road until such time that they have been resolved and it is safe to do so.

It is intended that the works will commence on the Friday 1st February 2013 at 18.00 and be reopened at 06.00 on Monday 4th February 2013. If you require information once works have commenced, please contact David Howland on 01604 883400.

SCHOOL TIES

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Village News and Events

PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Wednesday, 9th January in the meeting room in the Village Hall. Public Time is from 7.00pm-7.15pm.



21 Poplars Road, Chacombe, Banbury, OX17 2JY Parish Clerk: e-mail: sue.shepard@talk21.com, tel. 01295 710148

January 15th - Fete meeting at 7.30pm at Farthinghoe Lodge. If you would like to be involved in any way with the Church Fete you will be most welcome!

Farthinghoe's got talent?

Armed with secateurs, gardening gloves and bags of enthusiasm, sixteen Farthinghoe ladies embarked on a whole new adventure on the 8/9th December, their challenge...to learn the art of Christmas wreath making. The workshop run by qualified florist Claire Cooper of Hibiscus Floral Design, Baker Street, Farthinghoe, guided us through the key steps of creating a Christmas door wreath and despite a slow start (due to our inability to follow the basic instruction of how to attach twine to the ring!), we soon we found ourselves creating a beautiful foliage wreath packed with fresh spruce, ivy, holly & Christmas tree, before adorning it with cinnamon sticks, orange slices, cones, baubles & bows.

Thanks to Claire's patience and good sense of humour and our lovely hosts Julia Pepler & Beste Bragg, a fun afternoon was had by all. Look out for these beautiful 'works of art' as you wander the village, then you can decide for yourselves if Farthinghoe's got talent! If you want to find out more about Claire's floral design services, please email her on

enquiries@hibiscusfloraldesign.co.uk or call 07872 321505.

Lucie Pearson

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Clubs and Societies

Mothers' Union There is no meeting in January but subs are due!

Farthinghoe Friends Our first meeting of the New Year will be Tuesday 8th January, 2.30pm-4pm at the Village Hall.

February's will be lunch gathering on Tuesday 12th February. Anyone is welcome to join us; contact Lin Deeley on 01295 711938.

Farthinghoe WEA A new ten week course at the Village Hall begins on Friday, 18th January at 7.30pm.

"The gift of the Nile": an introduction to the archaeology, art and culture of the ancient Egyptian civilization, placing many well known sites and monuments in their proper cultural and historical context. Fee: £52.50.

For further details contact Lin Deeley on 711938

Scrabble Club The Scrabble Club meets on the third Wednesday of the month. New members are always welcome. Please ring 01295 710397 for more information.

Candle prayers return for one more time in January. This simply means your local church will be open from 7:30-8:00pm, lit with candles, giving you the opportunity to come and enjoy the peace of these special places. You may want to light a candle for somebody or a situation, or just sit on your own for a few minutes. At 7:30 there will be a short opening prayer for those who want to join in followed by a time for personal space, then at about 7:50 there will be a short quiet closing prayer for those who want to join in. You are invited to come for as much or as little as you like, I just want to offer you some peace and space for prayer, private reflection or just enjoying the beauty of the place.

Tuesday 8th January St Georges, Evenley

Wednesday 16th January All Saints, Croughton

Tuesday 22nd January Holy Trinity, Hinton in the Hedges

Friday 1st February St Michael and all Angels Farthinghoe

Monday 4th February St Michaels, Aynho

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Rector's Letter

I would like to start this New Year by wishing everybody a happy and peaceful New Year. I would also like to thank everybody for the Christmas cards, gifts and good wishes we received.

As we start a New Year, I wonder what it has in store for us? What are our hope and fears for the New Year?

The economic situation is still going to be an ongoing problem, as well as the unrest in Afghanistan and other places, unemployment is a growing issue as well as below inflation rises in benefits. For many the future looks bleak and the problems of the world may appear too large for us, their enormity so overwhelming. Yet we should remind ourselves that a small trickle of water will wear down the hardest rock. The simple growth of a weed or shoot can break apart concrete and stone. The small can overcome the largest problems if they all work together. You may feel your little bit will not make any difference, but remember it was the last straw that broke the camel's back.

The year ahead I am sure will bring many challenges to our villages and churches, but also many opportunities for joy and celebration. I am not suggesting we need all to be blinkered enthusiasts and ignore the issues, but that by facing them, and looking for the opportunities they bring, we may see signs of hope and encouragement. The wise men or Magi in the Christmas story, were learned men of the world and studied the stars and that led them to discover the most wonderful gift that they were not expecting. May we as we look forward to the coming year find it to be a year full of unexpected surprises, joys and hopes.

My hopes for the coming year are that our communities will continue to build on the good things that we hold in common, our community life and care for each other. And that when new challenges come our way, as I am sure they will, we will be able to meet them together and through our combined strength find the wisdom to overcome them.

So whatever the New Year may hold may it also bring us all peace and fulfilment.

Have a happy New Year

Simon



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What's on at Limes Farm this month

Revised Christmas Opening Hours

Christmas Eve Closed

Christmas Day Closed

Boxing Day Closed

27th December Open 9am - 5pm

28th December Open 9am - 5pm

29th December Open 9am - 5pm

30th December Open

New Year's Eve Closed

New Years' Day Closed

2nd January Tea Room Open as normal

A New Year and New Opening hours

We are now open 7 days a week!

Monday - Saturday we are open 9:00am - 17:00pm

Sundays 10:00 - 16:00pm.

Treat Box Demolish those January blues by treating your friends, family or colleagues to something special. Order and collect one of our treat boxes full with our amazing cookies, cakes, and brownies and be the best thing since sliced bread!

Still a few tables left for Burns Night Mark 2 We are fully booked for Burns Night in January, but due to popular demand we have agreed to host Burns Night Mark 2 on Saturday, 26th January from 19:30pm.



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What's on at Limes Farm ctd/...

Product of the Month: Bakewell Butter

Trista's Bakewell Butter is an almond nut butter with all the sweet frangipane flavour of a classic bakewell tart

Nut butters are a firm American favourite where alongside the traditional peanut butter, you'll regularly find almond, walnut and hazelnut varieties

Trista's Bakewell Butter, produced in England, takes nut almonds to create a delicious bakewell infused spread - perfect on toast, as a cake filling or stirred into your morning porridge

We're delighted to add this unique product to Limes Farm Shop and if you'd like to try before you buy, just pop along to our tasting evening on the 6th of December where Trista Smith, creator of Trista's nut butters, will do a short demo of her delicious creation

Like us on Facebook

Over the next few months we will be offering special Facebook only offers to everyone who like our fan page so make sure you become a fan!

Just a note to say a massive thanks to Pip for all her hard work editing the Chronicle over the last two years, I'm sure she will be a hard act to follow!

Looking forward to carrying on the good work!

Shirley

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PIANO LESSONS IN FARTHINGHOE

Christopher Powell B.Mus. B.Ed. C.Mus.A (Pianoforte)

Christopher Powell moved to the United Kingdom just over 5 years ago from Australia, and has now settled into English village living in Farthinghoe



He grew up in an area of Australia just outside of Sydney, and discovered a passion for playing the piano at a young age, competing in numerous piano competitions. He then went on to do a double bachelors degree at the University of New South Wales, majoring in both music and education. For the past 10 years he has been teaching secondary school music, and is now the head of music at Tile Hill Wood Girl's School in Coventry. Throughout this time he has also taught piano lessons privately.

If you think you may be interested in starting piano lessons with Christopher, then please contact him via phone, 07792 919184 or email, cmpmusicman@yahoo.com for more information.

As we head towards 2013 test your knowledge with this historical quiz!

- 1 Which US President was born in 1913?
- 2 Which fruit was planted for the first time in Hawaii in 1813?
- 3 Which current overseas territory was formally ceded to Britain in 1713?
- 4 Which planet did Galileo discover in 1613 although he failed to recognize what he had seen?
- 5 Who was defeated at the Battle of Flodden in 1513? (I didn't want to put this one in!—ed)
- 6 Which British university was founded in 1413?

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From the Village Hall

Firstly on behalf of the Village Hall can I wish you all a happy Christmas and prosperous New Year.

I would like to take this chance to thank Pip for the support she gave us at the village hall and her reporting of the Village Show this year.

150 club numbers are due for payment and if you would like a number we do have some spare so call me on 01280 705345 please.

Draw for Oct 96 Pip Sandel

48 Mrs Abbis-Stubbs

17 Mr Lord

Draw for Nov 70 Mrs Mason

91 Mrs Pearson

60 Dr Chidwick

Plans for the 2013 Village Show are underway, any ideas or volunteers please ring me on the above number asap.

Thanks Pete



A plea from a concerned resident

— please, please will you pick up
after your pooches — we really
yould appreciate it!

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Benefice Worship for January

	Sun 6 Jan	Sun 13 Jan	Sun 20 Jan	Sun 27 Jan
Aynho	11am—Holy Communion	9.30am—Holy Communion	11am Choral Matins	
Croughton	9.30am— Matins		9.30am—Holy Communion	10am Benefice Commnunion
Evenley		11am—Holy Communion 4.30pm—Family Epiphany Praise	11am—Family Worship	
Farthinghoe	9.30am—Holy Communion	6pm—Evensong	10am—Family Worship	
Hinton-in- the-Hedges	11am—Family Worship		11am—Holy Com- munion	6pm—Evensong

Pizza Praise takes off!

Family Pizza Praise followed by Christingle Praise have gone down a storm, and so has the food.

Our next service in on Sunday 13th January for Epiphany Praise followed in 10th February by Pancake Praise.

Do put the dates in your diary, or if you would like a personal invitation and reminder just send me your details to the.revd.simon@gmail.com with 'Pizza praise' if possible in the subject line.

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Rotas for January

Week beginning	Church Cleaning	Brass Cleaning
7th January	Mrs Mason	Mrs Pim
14th January	Mr & Mrs Jarvis	Mrs Pim
21st January	Mrs Thompson & Ms Walker	Mrs Pim
28th January	Mrs Phipps	Mrs Pim



Thanks to everyone who helped with the Autumn Clean and also the Coffee Morning which raised £231!

Dates for your Diary.....

9.30am Village Hall Tues 8th Jan **Little Angels** Tues 8th Jan **Farthinghoe Friends** 2.30pm-4pm Village Hall **Parish Council meeting** Weds 9th Jan 7.00pm Village Hall Tues 15th Jan **Fete meeting** 7.30pm Farthinghoe Lodge Wed 16th Jan Scrabble Club 7pm Fri 18th Jan **Farthinghoe WEA** 7.30pm Village Hall

Quiz answers 1 Richard Nixon 2 Pineapple 3 Gibraltar 4 Neptune 5 The Scots!! 6 St Andrews University

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Happy New Year

From all of us at The Fox

Coming soon in the New Year

Lunchtimes and Early Evening

Two Courses for a Tenner

A starter and main course from the special menu for just £10

Noon to 2.30 and 6.00 to 7.00 Monday to Saturday, January & February

Ladies Night on Wednesdays

back from 9th January Three Courses and a glass of wine for £16.50

Seafood Specials Thursday & Friday

PLUS in January

2 Seafood Specials Main Courses plus a bottle of wine for just £26.00

Coffee Morning from 10.30am

Friday 11th January and the first Friday of each month

Happy Hours

Now Thursday, Friday and Saturday Nights

Thu 6pm to 7pm, Fri & Sat 5pm to 7pm

PLUS Two for One Happy Hour Cocktails