

The Forerunner – the monthly newsletter for the Kingscote parish - including Bagpath, Newington and Kingscote

January 2025 edition

Happy New Year to you all.

In this edition of the Forerunner events in the village hall for January are highlighted in the Community Corner section while the church news section contains details of charities supported during December in our special Christmas services.

Some practical notes

- Food waste is due to be collected on Monday 30th December. See the Key dates – Kerbside waste and recycling for more details
- Fireworks at Kingscote Barn- 12 midnight on New Year's Eve
- Windmill Lane will be closed on 10.01.25. More details are in the Community Corner section.

Please send copy for the next edition of the Forerunner to elin.tattersall@yahoo.com by noon on the 20th day of the month (01453 860182)

Vicar's letter

Dear Friends,

Happy New Year! January brings the opportunity for new year's resolutions and a sense of looking forward. A new year is always a chance to reflect on what has been and to look forward with hope and expectation.

2024 brought challenges and joys to church life in Kingscote. The biggest challenge was that of the break in at St John the Baptist Church. Moreso however, there have been many blessings. One of those blessings was brought by a number of different services, known in the church as a 'fresh expression' of church, with a time of fun craft themed activities, linked to the Christian message and followed by refreshments, as well as a holiday club for all the family. We also gathered together with a great sense of community with the snowdrop walk and the flower festival.

As we look to the new year, may this be a year of many opportunities for church and community.

With blessings for 2025, Rev. Caroline

Key dates

Events at the Church of St John the Baptist, Kingscote

Services in January 2025

Sunday 5th January at 9.30am- Communion service

Sunday 19th January at 9.30am- All Age service

All are welcome to services and events

Church flowers

5th and 12th January- Jane Nichols

19th and 26th January- Sheila Grey

2nd and 9th February- Elin Tattersall

16th and 23rd February and 2nd March - Lorna Reynolds

No flowers during Lent (Wednesday 5th March to Thursday 17th April)

Thank you to those who are on the flowers rota to supply one flower arrangement in the church per year. We would love to have a few more people join the team, so if you feel you could do this, please contact Lorna Reynolds (telephone - 01453 860231).

Book club:

Tuesday 14th January at 2.00pm at Angela's to discuss: 'This is Happiness' by Niall Williams..

Tuesday 11th February at 2.00pm at Louise's to discuss: ' Orbital' by Samantha Harvey.

Tuesday 11th March at 2.00pm at Teresa's to discuss: 'Black Loch' by Peter May

If anyone else would like to come and join the Book Club, please contact Angela on 860697.

Kerbside waste and recycling collections

Food waste - Monday 30th December, Monday 6th January, Saturday 11th January, Friday 17th January, Friday 24th January, Friday 31st January.

Recycling and garden waste – Friday 6th January (NOTE- recycling only. No garden waste collected on 6th January), Friday 17th January, Friday 31st January

The 2024-25 calendar is available on the CDC website

<https://community.cotswold.gov.uk/s/waste-collection-enquiry>

Recycling centre

Pyke Quarry (Horsley tip) is open for pre-booked appointments. It is usually open in the winter from 10am to 4pm on all days except Wednesdays. It will be closed on the January 1st bank holiday.

Book your visit [here](#). Phone bookings are possible only for those without internet access- phone 01452 596 626.

Post office

The mobile post office will be at Kingscote Village Hall from 9am to 10am every Monday and Thursday except bank holidays.

Planning applications

At time of drafting this newsletter there were no planning applications within the parish listed on the CDC website page and having a consultation expiry date in January 2025.

Note- Only applications classed by CDC as 'current', using the keyword Kingscote (i.e. the parish), and with relevant consultation expiry dates are included in The Forerunner each month. The standard consultation expiry date seems to be around 21 days after validation of the application by CDC although there are exceptions and sometimes applications do not seem to be listed on the website immediately after validation. Applications may not feature in the Forerunner if both the validation date and the expiry date fall in between Forerunner publications.

If you are keen to keep abreast of all new planning applications, it is recommended that you check the CDC website regularly and/or register to receive email alerts direct from CDC.

<https://publicaccess.cotswold.gov.uk/online-applications/>

Parish council update

1. Happy New Year 2025

Kingscote Parish Council would like to wish everyone in the parish a happy new year 2025. If there is anything in the parish which you think the parish council could/should be involved with, please speak to one of the councillors or email our parish clerk, Simon Hale, at kingscotepc@gmail.com.

2. GCC Highways

We have asked the GCC Highways Manager to inspect the road in Hazlecote Valley since the recent patching has not been as extensive as we would like. We are also hoping to get action on the poor road surface opposite the entrance to the Walled Garden in Kingscote.

3. Next meeting

The next meeting of the parish council will be on Tuesday 14 January at 7.30pm in Kingscote village hall. All parishioners are welcome to attend. If there is anything in the parish which you think the parish council could/should be involved with, please speak to one of the councillors or email our parish clerk, Simon Hale, at kingscotepc@gmail.com.

Kingscote Parish Council

Community corner

We welcome your contributions to this, our parish newsletter, in whatever format- photographs, puzzles, recipes, poems and stories and will try to publish a selection each month. Please send them to Elin Tattersall elin.tattersall@yahoo.com

KINGSCOTE VILLAGE HALL

Happy New Year from Kingscote Village Hall and thanks to everyone who supported us in 2024.

January events

COFFEE MORNING on Tuesday 14th January from 10.30 to 11.30am. Everyone is very welcome. Home-made cake and coffee (or tea if preferred) £2.50. Come for a friendly catch up with delicious cakes.

BAR NIGHT returns on February 7th

ROAD CLOSURE

A temporary road closure notice for Windmill Lane has been received from Gloucestershire County Council. **Closure - 401495 - Windmill Lane - Kingscote - Cotswolds** - The said road is expected to be closed between 08:30hrs and 15:30hrs on 10th January 2025 only or until the works have been completed, whichever is the later. For further information, please contact Gloucestershire Highways on 08000 514 514 or visit ww.gloucestershire.gov.uk. Alternative Route – as signed on site. Emergency access, and pedestrian access to adjacent properties, will be maintained.

CHURCH NEWS

We had a range of lovely church services in the lead-up to Christmas. These included the Christmas Tree Jamboree on 15th December, when 35 people attended and children made decorations for the church tree and reflected on the different parts of the Christingles they also made - the orange representing the world, the cocktail sticks and



sweets representing the seasons and harvests, the red ribbon representing the blood of Christ and the candle representing Christ as the light of the world.

Over 100 people took part in the candlelit carol service on 23rd December, when we enjoyed a variety of readings and sang well known carols.

The Christmas Day service enabled the adults and children present to take communion or have a blessing on this special day.



We raised £534 between the 3 services and £158 has been sent to The Children's Society and £179 to Christian Aid, with the remainder for church upkeep. Thank you to all who participated and donated to these events.

[Christian Aid](#) - *In this time of so much conflict around the world, these donations will help those who have fled from fighting and have taken shelter in refugee camps.*

[Children's Society](#) - *Right now, there are children living through abuse, exploitation and neglect. For them, childhood is a daily battle with nowhere to turn. You can change this through your donation.*

TETBURY GOODS SHED

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HIGHLIGHTS FOR JANUARY AT THE GOODS SHED

Jan 4

Beauty and the Beast: Wonder Pantomines bring this traditional favourite to the stage for two performances which will round off your Christmas celebrations! (oh yes it will!) 2pm and 6pm. Family ticket £35 Adult £12.50 Children £9.



Jan 10

Totally Blondie: Chloe is a stunning look-alike for Debbie Harry so come and relive her greatest hits with this wonderful backing group. 7.30 Tickets in advance £20

Jan 12

The Andrews Massey Duo: From The Roots. With flute and guitar this folk duo bring their own interpretation of traditional British folk music. 6pm. Tickets in advance £15. Table for 2 from £35.

Jan 18

Classical series: Harpsichordist and Flautist Tom Foster and Georgia Browne offer a glimpse into the musical world of Versailles in the time of Louis XIV and VI. Tickets £24 in advance. 7.30

Jan 25

Cardiff Cotswold Opera Present Murder At The Opera: an evening of music, mischief and murder as some one murders the top diva! Tickets £13.50 in advance. 7.30

For more details of our other events including film, talks, exhibitions, and afternoon tea concerts and to book tickets visit our website:

www.tetburygoodsshed.co.uk

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