

THE VILLAGE NEWS

Siddington
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AILEEN CALVERT

Aileen Calvert who has died aged 92 was a tireless champion of the local community. A Cotswold District Councillor for many years, and mayor of Cirencester, she lived here in Siddington for 38 years. She was a long-standing trustee of the Village Hall, only stepping down at the grand old age of 90! She was above all else a doer, thinking nothing of baking 120 mince pies each year for the annual Carol Singing. She organised many village-wide events including safari suppers and charity lunches – once going round house to house in the rain selling tickets for a meal in her home in aid of parish plan projects; 26 people enjoyed her sit-down supper and £400 was raised. She regularly organised coach excursions for her ‘elderly’ friends, taking on the travel arrangements, the concert tickets and meals and ensuring everyone got home safely. You were an inspiration to us all Aileen and will be sorely missed! Everyone is invited to her Memorial Service in Cirencester Parish Church on Wednesday January 16th at 1pm.

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PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – 11TH DECEMBER 2018

New Parish Councillor

Recently co-opted, Dan Rajan, Dan Rajan formally joined the Parish Council at its meeting on 11th December and was warmly welcomed by the Chairman and members.

Planning

Planning application received by Cotswold District to 6th December 2018

- **18/04302/FUL CT.4695/1/K**
Proposed 2 storey extension at 20 The Twenties, Siddington, GL7 6ES.
No objection.

Cirencester Neighbourhood Plan

Cirencester Town Council had asked Siddington Parish Council if it would wish to be kept informed and consulted as the plan progresses. It was agreed to be a good idea, and the Clerk would write back to the Town Council.

Precept and Budget Considerations for 2019-20

Members considered suggestions for precept budget expenditure for 2019-20. It was agreed that the reserves would need replenishing, particularly for replacement play equipment. The Clerk also reported that South Cerney Parish Council was looking at purchasing automatic number plate recognition (ANPR) cameras in an attempt to combat the speeding problems in the village, and that there was to be a presentation to South Cerney PC the following evening, which members were welcome to attend. Members expressed an

interest in the scheme, particularly as match-funding was available.

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – the next meeting will be Tuesday 8th January 2019 at 7.30pm in the Committee Room at the Village Hall.

Robert Cowley – Parish Clerk

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Cotswold International Language School is due to have an exciting 2019! They have lots of students coming over to study from a range of countries, mainly Italy and Spain. This means there are more opportunities for people in Cirencester and the surrounding areas to host. It is a wonderful experience to meet children and young adults from other countries and offer them a home, to hear about their lifestyles and for them to learn about yours, whilst getting paid for it. Some people like to host regularly and others like to host here and there, the arrangement can be as individual as those that are doing it. If you are interested in joining the experience or just want to find out more then please contact the school on 01285 642345 or email accom@cotswoldinternational.com



Siddington CE Primary School

Our very special vision

Our vision is – ‘To have fun, do our very best and to look after everyone in a caring Christian community’. Our vision shapes all we do at school. Last year the children were asked to design a logo to depict our vision and there were 2 designs that were amalgamated to create this:



We have a group of children (2 from each class) who together act as our ‘Vision in Action’ group. They check to make sure what we do at school helps towards our vision. They also make sure we look after everyone, in school with our care stop at playtimes and lunch times as well as locally and nationally by organising support and fundraising events. Everyone who visits our school comments upon how friendly and family like it is.... We are proud of how we care for everyone – and then everyone can do their very best. If you visit school over the coming months and want to let us know how you think we care, then do either email admin@siddington.gloucs.sch.uk or write in our comments book.

Thank you and see you all soon!
Until next time,
Mrs Carol Dougill
Executive Head teacher
Kemble Primary and Siddington C of E Primary Schools

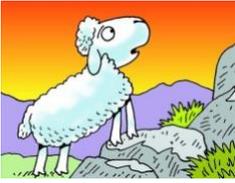


PATA @ Siddington & Kemble opened up as a community preschool in the village hall at the start of September. Thank you for welcoming us to your village after we had to move from our previous premises in Kemble.

We are open every day from 8.40am to 2.40pm and have a fantastic space with an emphasis on outdoor play and learning. We've recently been learning about celebrations, the seasons and animal habitats. We held a successful open morning and Christmas Fayre on 1st of December. We have some places available and accept 15/30 hour funding.

If you are interested in having a look round please call Harry on 07933 203230 or email siddington@pataglos.org.uk





‘WINTER KIDZ’ Saturday 26th January
2.00 pm– 4.00 pm

Following on from the success of Harvest Kidz in October, St Peter's Church is organising 'Winter Kidz' which will be an afternoon full of activities for the whole family. 'Winter Kidz' will be held at the Village Hall on Saturday 26th January from 2.00pm till 4.00pm. Activities will be based around the story of 'The Lost Sheep' and will include making an edible sheep, decorating a party hat as well as other creative crafts, games, puzzles and much more. There will also be a story and singing time before we enjoy some refreshments together. The event is free and is suitable for children of all ages.

VILLAGE HALL NEWS

QUIZ NIGHT RESULTS - Sunday 18th November

As ever a fun evening was held which raised £425.83 in aid of the village hall. The winning team was once again The Yoohoos who kindly donated their winnings back to the hall. Thank you to everyone who supported the evening and to Robert Cowley, our indefatigable Quiz Master.

Hire of Hall: if you would like to book the Hall, the Committee Room or discuss availability, please contact the Bookings Secretary on 07407352025 or visit the website to check availability www.siddingtonvillagehall.co.uk and forthcoming events. It is cheaper to hire if you are a Siddington resident!

SIDDINGTON with PRESTON WI



Thursday 17th January 2019

Teenage Cancer Trust

John Plant is joining us in January to tell us about his work for the Teenage Cancer Trust. As usual visitors and guests are welcome. We will have a bring and buy, with proceeds going to The Cobalt Breast Cancer Unit.

We will have tea and biscuits and a raffle.

We will be meeting in the Elizabeth Way Community Room Siddington at 7.30pm. Please contact Ann on 01285 641469 for more information.

A special thank you to the Rev'd Jennifer McKenzie for the lovely Christmas card everyone received from St Peter's Church, designed by a pupil from Siddington Primary School. A wonderful Christmas card which shows Jesus was born for us all.

Michael Painter

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News from St Peter's Church

St Peter's Siddington	Services	All Saints Preston
11.15am Family Service	6 th January	8.00am BCP Holy Communion
6.00pm Songs of Praise	13 th January	9.30am Morning Praise
11.15am Holy Communion	20 th January	
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Details of other services in the benefice can be found on the Churnside Benefice website. www.churnsidechurches.org.uk

A warm welcome to parents and children to our monthly family service.

Holy Communion (Gluten free)

Coffee is served between 10:30–11:00am with our morning service at 11:15am.

Church spire illumination is only £5 per evening to sponsor, in memory of a loved one, anniversary, birthday or just for yourself.

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