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ST MARY THE VIRGIN, FREELAND

Services for October 2018

28th 08.00 Holy Communion (Rev. Emma Hopegood Jones)

Services for November 2018

4th	10.00	Family Service (Rev. David Tyler and Rev. Sue Spankie)
	16.00	Commemoration of the Departed (Rev. David Tyler and Rev. Emma Hopegood Jones)
	18.00	Commemoration of the Departed (Rev. David Tyler and Rev. Sue Spankie)
11th	08.00	Holy Communion (Rev. David Tyler)
	10.15	Remembrance Day Service (Rev. David Tyler and Rev. Emma Hopegood Jones)
18th	10.00	Holy Communion with Junior Church (Rev. Emma Hopegood Jones)
25th	08.00	Holy Communion (Rev. David Tyler)

Services for December 2018

2nd	10.00	Family Service (Rev. Emma Hopegood Jones)
	18.00	Advent Carol Service St Peter & St Paul, Church Hanborough

St Mary's Junior Church

St. Mary's Junior Church meets at 10 - 11am on the third Sunday of every term-time month. The leaders and children leave the service during the first hymn and walk through the churchyard to the quiet Convent Chapel. There, using crafts, games, DVD, and drama we explore the same passage as the adult congregation. We have the chance to be slightly noisier in our study!

We then walk back to church to join our families for a blessing or communion.

Bible Fun Club, 'BFC' - Bible Fun Club will be restarting in the New Year.

The Light Party is taking place on **Wednesday 31st October** at **Christ Church, Long Hanborough** from **6 - 7.30pm**.

Join us with your parents/carers for food, fun, crafts and sweets.

All are welcome - come for the whole time or drop in for part of it.

Email revdavidtyler@gmail.com for further information.

THANK YOU TO BRUCE HAMMERSLEY FOR THE COVER PHOTO
and to the members of the Freeland Craft Club and other Freeland villagers
for the colourful array of poppies to celebrate the November Centenary
of the ending of WWI.
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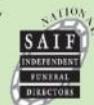
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meet in the church on **Wednesday** mornings at **10.00 - 11.30am**. Mums, dads, grandparents, carers and their pre-schoolers are very welcome.

There are toys, a craft or activity and, of course, snacks and drinks for children and adults. Please bring a 50p donation.

The group runs weekly during term time and on an ad hoc basis in the school holidays. Please contact either Alice on **886833** or David on **881270**; or see our Facebook page to find out more: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/958595840860028/>

11+ Hitchhikers meeting in Hanborough at 7pm on Sunday evening.

For further information on all these groups or services phone David on **881270** or visit www.achurchnearyou.com/st-mary-the-virgin-freeland or www.hanboroughparish.org.uk

Some useful contact details:

Rector: Rev. David Tyler

01993 881270

The Rectory, Swan Lane

Long Hanborough OX29 8BT

Email: revdavidtyler@googlemail.com

Licensed Lay Ministers:

Clive Berry 01993 882080

Hugh Dalton Emeritus 01993 881742

Curates:

Rev. Sue Spankie

01993 706469

Email: revsue@gst.org.uk

Rev. Emma Hopegood Jones

01993 881936

Email: curate_emma@hanboroughparish.co.uk

Lay Pastoral Assistant:

Peter Langley 01993 883775

Churchwardens:

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01993 883205 01993 882044

Weddings:

Margaret Stringer

01993 882112

Flowers in the Church:

Janet Dalton

01993 881742

All sorts of interesting information about St Mary's can be seen on the "A Church Near You" website: www.achurchnearyou.com/st-mary-the-virgin-freeland

If you have any interesting pictures that could be used on this site, please contact Roy Thomas on **01993 882866** or email: print@associatedagencies.co.uk

You can see a virtual tour of St Mary's on Google Street View at:

<http://goo.gl/g53NJH>

MARIE CURIE HALLOWEEN QUIZ NIGHT @ THE YEOMAN

Wednesday, 31st October 2018, 7.30pm. for 8.00pm start at The Yeoman

Don't worry if there's only a couple of you as we can make up teams on the night!

Entry is just £3 per person with all proceeds being donated to Marie Curie Cancer Care.

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And a reminder of the next Marie Curie Quiz at the Yeoman on **28th November**.

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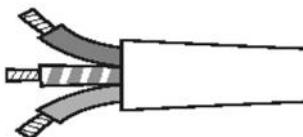
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Letter from our Rector:

Dear friends,

As many of you know my wife Catherine has been very unwell. She had to have emergency surgery to remove a cancerous tumour from her colon.

It's improved my prayer life recently! And it has also left me very grateful that I know God. We have been so grateful that so many people have sent good wishes and have been praying for us all. So many people have prayed, but as they have prayed Catherine has not been miraculously healed in the sense that Catherine is completely better - though I am convinced that God does at times miraculously heal.

So were our prayers in vain? Absolutely not! We have noticed as we have prayed that two things have happened. Firstly 'coincidences' have happened - the anaesthetist who was to be involved in the operation knew us and prayed with us before the operation - also a dear friend happened to be at the JR before Catherine went for surgery and was able to pop down and be with us. Are they just coincidences? - I don't think so.

And secondly we have sensed a real peace in our lives.

When we were told that Catherine had a tumour, we didn't dissolve or panic - but prayed and felt that God gave us a real sense of peace.

When we pray God answers prayers - not always in the way we pray them - but my experience is that he always answers them which is why I pray.

So I thank God for the medical staff who have been and are amazing - and I thank God for 'coincidences' and for a real sense of peace.

Catherine still has a long way to go to full recovery - but we know that God is with us.

With best wishes,

David

ST MARY'S CHURCH BELLS RINGING REPORT

The bells will be rung at the following services:

Sunday 4th Nov: 9.15am - 10.00am

3.30pm - 4.00pm Commemoration of the Departed

5.30pm - 6.00pm Commemoration of the Departed

Sunday 11th Nov: 9.30am - 10.15am Remembrance Sunday

12.15pm - 12.45pm Centenary of the Armistice

Sunday 18th Nov: 9.15am - 10.00am

Sunday 2nd Dec: 9.15am - 10.00am

Usual practice every **Monday** from **7.30pm until 9pm**.

FF6 takes place on **Fridays** from **6pm to 7pm**, except where a practice falls immediately before a Saturday practice.

Please contact the Tower Captain, Neil Ephgrave (**883850**) or

Michael Probert (**882687**) should you wish to discuss any bell ringing matters.

You can see more about Freeland Bell Ringers under the "Clubs and Groups" section of the village website www.freelandoxon.co.uk

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FROM THE REGISTERS AT ST MARY THE VIRGIN

Funerals: Joan Scrivens 11th October 2018

Services in Hanborough for October 2018

28th	10.00	Holy Communion with baptism (Rev. Sue Spankie and Rev. Emma Hopegood Jones)	St Peter & St Paul
	10.00	Morning Worship	Manor School
	18.00	Evening Prayer (Rev. Sue Spankie)	Christ Church

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4th	08.00	Holy Communion (Rev. David Tyler)	St Peter & St Paul
	10.00	Holy Communion (Rev. Emma Hopegood Jones)	Manor School

11th	10.00	Remembrance Day Service	Methodist Church
	18.00	Evening Prayer (Rev. David Tyler)	Christ Church

18th	08.00	Holy Communion (Rev. Emma Hopegood Jones)	St Peter & St Paul
	10.00	Worship Together (Rev. Sue Spankie)	Manor School
	10.00	Morning Prayer (Rev. David Tyler)	Christ Church
	18.00	Compline (Rev. David Tyler)	Christ Church

25th	10.00	Holy Communion with Baptism (Rev. David Tyler and Rev. Emma Hopegood Jones)	St Peter & St Paul
	10.00	Morning Worship (Rev. Sue Spankie)	Manor School
	18.00	Evening Prayer (Rev. Sue. Spankie)	Christ Church

Services in Hanborough for December 2018

2nd	08.00	Holy Communion (Rev. David Tyler and Rev. Sue Spankie)	St Peter & St Paul
	10.00	Morning Worship	Manor School
	18.00	Advent Carol Service (Rev. David Tyler and Rev. Emma Hopegood Jones)	St Peter & St Paul

This information is correct at the date published. Should any changes be necessary, the up-to-date information can be found at www.hanboroughparish.co.uk

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Oct 28th 10.00 Mrs Mary Blow

Nov 4th 10.00 Rev. Harris (Holy Communion)

11th 10.00 Service of Remembrance

18th 10.00 Mr Richard Bowler

25th 10.30 Service at High Street (no service in Hanborough)

Dec 2nd 10.00 TBA

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Mass also on Mondays, Tuesdays and Fridays at 9.30am, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 10.00am. (Times are changed occasionally and announced on the preceding Sunday.)

THE PARISH PRIEST: Father Mark Lagorio is happy to receive enquiries by phone on **01865 881613** or on email stpeterschurcheyndham@gmail.com

The Retired Priest: Father Martin Flatman is available on **07719 646790** or email: frmartinflatman@gmail.com

BIBLE STUDY after Mass on Wednesdays

ADORATION after Mass on Fridays.

THE HALL (The Tolkien Room) is available for hire with a lovely outside area where people can sit or walk, and children can play. To book contact the Parish Priest as above.

WE REMEMBER OUR DEPARTED LOVED ONES in November. We start with All Souls Day on **2nd November** when we have our Mass at **9.30am**, but we also have a Requiem Book in which people can write the names of those they want us to pray for, and that Book lies on the altar every day at Mass for the whole month.

PRAYING FOR THE DEAD is like praying for the living, for prayer is sharing our thoughts and feelings with God, which is the way God helps and supports us. The sadness we feel when our loved ones die can last for years, so sharing these feelings with God is a great help.

ALL SAINTS DAY is the day before All Souls when every Catholic tries to be at Mass somewhere at some time to celebrate the glory of being part of the company of the living and the departed who tries to serve Jesus.

Mass on **Thursday 1st November** at St Peter's will be in the morning at the usual time, and then in the evening at **7.00pm**

WOODSTOCK and DISTRICT UNIVERSITY of the THIRD AGE

Monthly meetings at Woodstock Community Centre, New Road, Woodstock **OX20 1PB**.

Visitors are welcome to our Speaker Meetings which start at **2pm (£2.00)**

Tuesday 6th Nov: *From Page to Stage* - Jennifer Cowling

Tuesday 4th Dec: *In the Bleak Midwinter* - Tim Walker

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Remembrance Sunday, Freeland

11th November 2018, 10.15am

A Service of Remembrance will be held at St Mary's, Freeland at 10.15am. The service will be followed by a procession to the War Memorial in the Churchyard, where silence will be held at 11.00am.

All are welcome



FREELAND PARISH COUNCIL

LISA'S NOTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 15th OCTOBER 2018

Community Resilience

Two representatives from Scottish & Southern Electricity Networks (SSEN) attended the October meeting and gave a very brief presentation about how they can help communities become more resilient in the event of a power cut. They explained that they are able to provide emergency electricity supplies in the form of a generator, and refreshment provisions during a prolonged power cut. The Parish Council have taken up this offer and have provided contact details so that the village hall may be opened as a safe haven for residents to go to in the event of prolonged power outages.

SSEN representatives also explained about their Priority Service Register that residents can register with should they have certain needs.

Those eligible to join the Priority Services Register are:

- Those dependent on electricity for home medical care eg kidney dialysis machine/ventilator;
- Those who have a chronic illness or short-term medical condition eg those recovering from a major operation;
- Those who are disabled;
- Those who have special communication needs eg blind, partially sighted, deaf or hard of hearing;
- Those who have children under 5 years old;
- Those who are over 60 years old.

To register with the priority service, you can call **0800 294 3259** from a landline or mobile or call **08003 165457** from a text phone.

Some information booklets have been placed in the Little Free Library about how to register with the Priority Service and further information about keeping safe during a power cut has been placed on the village website.

A little thank you!

The Parish Council wish to pass on their thanks to the Freeland Teddy Girls who raised an amazing **£531.90** from their sale held on 29th September. *Continued.....*

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These funds will be put towards a new larger Little Free Library. Thank you to everyone involved with the sale, and to those who went along to support them and purchased their lovely wares!

WODC Adoption of the Local Plan

As I'm sure many of you will be aware, the Local Plan has now been officially adopted by WODC.

District Councillors voted in favour of formally adopting the Local Plan for West Oxfordshire, which establishes a blueprint for the development of the District until 2031.

The Local Plan sets out how the District can achieve economic growth and a housing target of 15,950 new homes, although some have already been built as the Plan covers the period from 2011 to 2031.

It identifies the most suitable sites for new housing and what accompanying infrastructure, such as road improvements, new schools and play facilities, is needed to achieve the greatest benefits for the new development and, wherever possible, a wider area.

The adoption of the Plan means speculative developers will no longer have their way and ensures housing meets local need and employment requirements while also improving local infrastructure.

The Local Plan report has been accepted by the Inspectorate subject to the modifications set out in the Inspector's report on
www.westoxon.gov.uk/localplan2031.

Garden of Remembrance

The Garden of Remembrance will be available for use for the interment or scattering of ashes after cremation from 1st November 2018. Further details about scales of fees can be found on the village website at www.freelandoxon.co.uk under the Parish Council/Garden of Remembrance section. A small official opening will be held in the Spring.

Disconnection of power to phone box on the corner of Parklands

Just to make you all aware, the power to the phone box near the School has been disconnected in error. This could affect the use of the defibrillator as there is an electrical heater in the defibrillator box to maintain the temperature of the batteries above 0 degrees to prevent their failure. When the Parish Council requested disconnection of power to the phone box by the Village Hall, it appears that, instead, the box at Parklands was disconnected in error. The Parish Council have contacted BT to ask for this to be reconnected urgently.

Planning Applications:

Applications can be seen via Freeland Website (www.freelandoxon.co.uk) under Parish Council/Planning Tracker as well as the WODC website at
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Applications Approved: None.

Contacting the Council & Date of Next Meeting:

The next meeting will be held on:

Monday 19th November 2018, 7.30pm in the Newell Room.

Please note this time and venue is subject to change; please check the village website and noticeboards for the final agenda up to five days before the meeting in case of alterations.

If you wish to contact the Parish Council about a particular matter and have access to the internet, please have a look at the village website where lots of useful information is held. The website can be accessed via www.freelandoxon.co.uk. Alternatively, please contact me between the hours of 9.00am – 5.00pm, Monday to Friday - Lisa Smith, Parish Clerk on **01993 880067** or email lisa.fpc@gmail.com.

FREELAND CRAFT CLUB

The October meetings were spent in producing poppy wreaths - one for each memorial tree - and we hope to put them up during the week beginning November 5th. We still had time to make some "teasel animals" and complete our efforts in making items for the annual shoebox collection too. All are welcome to our meetings - whether you are "crafty" or not. We often try out new skills when everyone is a beginner, and we always enjoy a time of friendship and chatter.

NEXT MEETINGS: In the Newell Room, Village Hall - 2pm to 4pm:

Wednesdays: November 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th; December 5th & 12th

It costs £1 per session to cover heating, lighting and refreshments.

For further information (or someone to go with) please contact:

Margaret Wright: **01993 881316** or Helen Molden: **01993 882305**

POPPY APPEAL 2018

This year door to door collections will take place from **Saturday 27th October to Saturday 10th November**.

Thank you in advance to everyone that supports this cause so generously and of course to the collectors who give their time and support.

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FREELAND GARDENING CLUB

A very well attended meeting of the Gardening Club took place on 24th September when Rosy and Rob Hardy came to talk about 'Autumn Flowering Plants'. The Hardys exhibit at Chelsea most years and have won many Gold Awards so what they have to say is well worth hearing. Having had them as speakers once before many people came to hear them again and buy some of the lovely and unusual plants they brought to sell. Rosy is obviously the plantswoman and Rob the administrator! Their large Nursery is situated near Whitchurch in Hampshire off the A34 and some of us are looking forward to going there.

The end of the Club year when we have our AGM is on **Monday 29th October** at **7.30pm** in Freeland Hall. As we are celebrating 20 years since the Club started we will have a brief AGM followed by a Cheese and Wine Party plus a special celebration cake! All members are very welcome to come and enjoy this occasion. There will not be a Plant Sale at this meeting.

At the AGM the programme for 2018/19 will be presented, the Committee appointed and subs discussed. These will be due from the November meeting.

No new bulbs will be planted in the verges this year, but there will be many daffodils spread around the village to enjoy next spring.

Members of the Club weeded the beds around the Hall recently. Many thanks to them for helping to keep the outside of our lovely Hall looking neat and tidy.

For any further information about the Freeland Gardening Club please contact Ray and Jill Evans at 99 Wroslyn Road, tel **881420** or email **jillandray@btinternet.com**

Janet Dalton (Publicity Secretary)

LITTLE FREE LIBRARY NEWS

I must start by saying a very big THANK YOU to the amazing Teddy Girls and all their helpers, who held a very successful sale last month to raise funds for the Little Free Library. Thank you also to everyone that came along to support them. They raised an incredible £531.90, which is an absolutely brilliant achievement! Thank you so much!



I know I might seem to be the face of the Little Free Library, but it is, in fact, owned by all of the village; I'm just the person that looks after it. It was set up as a community project with a WODC grant, through the Parish Council, three years ago. At that time, we had no idea just how popular and well-loved it would become. It has been a very successful Parish Council project, and we are thrilled that it is appreciated by so many people.

These funds raised by The Teddy Girls will be used by the Parish Council to replace and upgrade the Little Free Library, with a much needed sturdier and larger one, to better cope with the volume of books that travel through it. I'll keep you updated as we progress with the project.

Once again, thank you very much to the Teddy Girls for their generous support and community spirit. You're amazing!

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Services for the Commemoration of the Departed will take place at St Mary's, Freeland on **Sunday 4th November**.

Due to the popularity of this service, this year we will run identical services at 4pm and 6pm.

All are welcome at either service.

If you would like the name of a loved one read out (at both Services), please add their name to a list at the back of St Mary's, or Ss Peter and Paul, Church Hanborough, or Christ Church.

For further details, contact David Tyler on **881270**.



WYCHWOOD PROJECT AGM

Date: Thursday 29 November

Time: 7.30 - 9pm

Venue: New Beaconsfield Hall, Shipton -under -Wychwood

Find out what we have been up to this year and then hear our guest speaker John Tyler presenting 'Life in a Nutshell' a talk that looks at how nature is full of countless small and infinitely detailed things, most of which go completely unnoticed by busy humans. We do hope you will join us and stay for a chat and refreshments.



FIRST FREELAND BROWNIE UNIT

First Freeland Brownies runs on term time **Tuesdays** from **6.15 - 7.30 pm** at Freeland Village Hall.

We are a small friendly group, with girls aged between 7 and 10, mostly from either Freeland or Hanborough. There are 4 guiders, a young leader and various parent helpers.

This year GirlGuiding have released a new program with different badges and activities for all members, and we will be exploring the theme 'Have Adventures' through various activities including night hikes, bonfire sessions and camping practice.

Girls have the chance to overcome fears, try new activities and learn survival skills such as fire building, backwoods cooking and navigation. Getting outside and having adventures has always been an important part of guiding and this term we will be focusing on getting the girls outside as much as possible and experiencing the great outdoors in new ways.

If your daughter is interested in joining, please either contact

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FREELAND VILLAGE HUB

Our fundraising efforts have continued over the past month with another LIVE MUSIC Concert here in Freeland thanks to Graham Warby and his band “Riot of Gollins”, who gave a superb performance on 23rd September in the Village Hall; telling the story in words and music of Otmoor and the 1830 Enclosure Riots. The versatility of all the musicians really brought to life the story and provided an excellent night’s entertainment. The event raised £390 towards our funds and the Management Committee would like to extend a big thank you to everyone who performed, including the support performance of the duo “Dr Robert”.



We hope to have further LIVE MUSIC events over the coming months; our next event will be a Christmas concert on **Sunday 9th December at 3pm** in St Mary’s Church, Freeland when a programme of Christmas music from around the world will be performed by the Foxgloves Recorder Consort. Do put the date in your diaries, we look forward to welcoming you.

Our funds have been further enhanced this month by the receipt of a £2000 grant from the Councillor Priority Fund awarded at the discretion of our County Councillor Liam Walker to whom we are very grateful for his continued support of our project.

Our artist’s impression of the Methodist Church as a shop and café as painted by Amanda Cooper is now in place outside the Village Hall and our thanks go to Andy Murray for overseeing the installation. We hope it will inspire many of you to see the potential of our project.

If you wish to contact us about this project our email web address is
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Jane Duff November 2018

WITNEY MUSIC SOCIETY

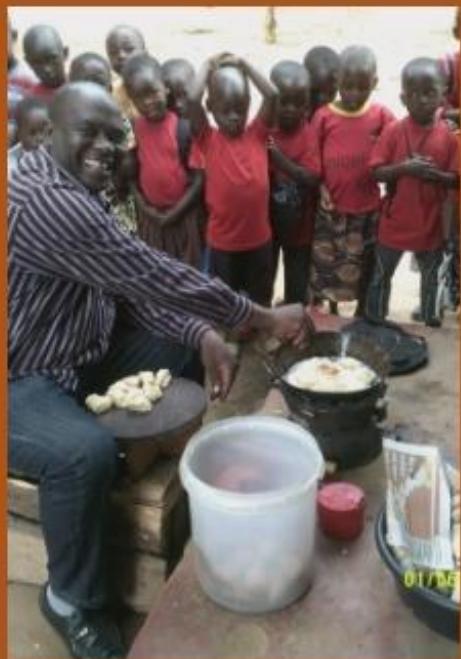
The next concert in Witney Music Society's new season will be given by the guitarist Giacomo Susani with a recital of guitar music by composers including Frescobaldi, Rodrigo and Walton. The concert will be at **7.30pm on Friday 9th November**.

In December, the award-winning trumpeter Matilda Lloyd and pianist Leo Nicholson will be performing works by Scarlatti, George Antheil, Vivaldi, Gershwin and more. The concert is at **7.30pm on Friday 7th December**.

Both concerts are at High Street Methodist Church, Witney.

Tickets (**£12**, under 19 **£1**) will be available at the door from **7pm**.

For more information, please telephone **01993 702296** or visit the Witney Music Society website **www.witneymusicsociety.org.uk**



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NOTTINGHAM KNOCKERS

We have received a few reports of Nottingham Knockers operating in the area. Please read the following advice from Thames Valley Police.

What are Nottingham Knockers?

Door-to-door traders who try to sell goods on the doorstep, often cheap household items. They will often claim to be on a rehabilitation scheme trying to find work and may have a false trading permit or other forms of ID.

Nottingham Knockers are not part of any recognised rehabilitation scheme. The government-backed Community Payback scheme does not involve door-to-door sales.

What is the issue?

The conmen will cover a number of streets looking for a vulnerable victim they can scam. Concerned residents say they feel vulnerable in their own homes when they are approached in this way. Police say streets being targeted by Nottingham Knockers often see an increase in distraction burglaries.

They say those going door-to-door often have long extensive criminal histories and anyone who gives them money may find themselves the target of other scams including rogue builders and other groups.

Thames Valley Police want to share a simple message with anyone trying to sell goods on your doorstep: "**We do not buy or sell anything at the door.**"

Cold calling door 'stickers' can be downloaded from:

<https://www2.oxfordshire.gov.uk/cms/sites/default/files/folders/documents/business/tradingstandards/adviceforcommunities/ColdCallingSticker.pdf>

Any traders who see the sticker but choose to ignore it commit an offence.

Is it illegal to sell goods on the doorstep?

Selling anything in a public space is subject to street trading laws and can only be done with special permits. Anyone selling goods on a public forecourt, road, footway or adjacent site, to a distance of 10 metres, must have written consent. Charity collectors can only collect on the doorstep with permission of the council's licensing team.

Selling goods door-to door is only permitted with a valid pedlar's certificate. The Police will only issue these to people who haven't been convicted of a crime, any conviction will mean you cannot hold a licence.

Traders selling vegetables, fish, fruit or food and drink do not need a pedlar's licence but must register with the environmental health department at their local authority. Other traders can only sell at your doorstep if you have invited them round.

Anything you buy at your doorstep over £42 is subject to a legal 'cooling-off' period of 14 days where you hold the right to cancel. The trader should give you pre-contract information, a written receipt and a template notice you can use to cancel. Failure to do this is a criminal offence and should be reported to trading standards.

No cold calling zones

These can be set up by communities, who want to stop door-to-door selling in their area, with the help of the Police and trading standards.

If cold callers are in your area, please call TVP immediately on **101** with a description of the individuals and any associated vehicle they may be using.



FREELAND CE PRIMARY SCHOOL



October 2018



The school's Christian value this term is 'Courage'

*"Be strong and courageous; do not be frightened or dismayed,
For the Lord your God is with you wherever you go." Joshua 1.9*

This term we have worked relentlessly to create our very own permanent prayer space. The Prayer Shack has been created to be a place for the children to seek reflection and thought during lunchtimes. It was initially an idea that grew from the Prayer Space sessions that the children took part in over the last few years at St Mary's Church and in the school building. The feedback from the children during these sessions has always been incredibly positive and we felt that giving children time to be thoughtful and reflective on a more regular basis would be beneficial for them. The Prayer Shack (named by the children) will be open for key times across the year with different themes as a focus. Our Worship Team will be working with Reverend Sue to develop the activities for the sessions linked to different themes. The Worship Team will organise each session and support children of all ages to access the activities. I am incredibly delighted with the way the Prayer Shack looks and also the way the children have been enthused by it. Thank you to Reverend Sue, and Mr and Mrs Molden for creating a fantastic haven for the children, and to Janet Faulkner (school governor) who proudly cut the ribbon to put the Prayer Shack into action.

Please see the school website for more photos:

www.freeland.oxon.sch.uk/news/detail/the-opening-of-the-prayer-shack/



Sarah Nickelson

Headteacher of Freeland CE
Primary School

School office: **01993 881707**

FREELAND PHOTO GROUP

The next meetings of the Photo Group will be on **Tuesday 6th and Tuesday 20th November**.

Meetings are held in the Newell Room starting at **7.30pm**. Everyone is welcome at all levels of experience. We are a friendly group who provide mutual support and encouragement. Refreshments provided and cost is £4 on the door.

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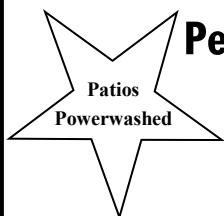
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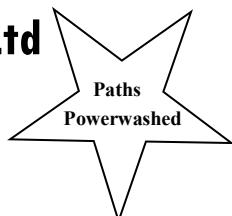


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Making a shoebox is so easy - find an empty shoebox, wrap it in decorative paper (or pick up a covered shoebox at the Methodist Church), fill it with simple gifts, add **£2.50** donation (to cover transport and distribution costs), deliver it to High Street Methodist Church in Witney by **Thursday 15th November**, and give an impoverished child a Christmas to remember.

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Sue Thomlinson & Dot Sharpe

THE UNACCEPTED FREELAND RAMBLERS 7th October 2018

We had a bumper turn out again this month with ideal conditions in the glorious autumn sunshine. Our mapping expert seemed eager to please and chose a superb route through Winsley Wood with him highlighting points of interest such as the bomb craters caused by squirrels in the first world war (we didn't like to contradict him for fear of reprisals).

The ramblers looked on in awe at the housing developments that impeded our path at every turn with cries of 'cor blimey' and 'lawks a lummy'. I must issue an apology for last month's error, the photograph entitled 'Ramblers resting' were in fact cows in a field, an easy mistake to make. I'll rectify this mistake next month if they don't run away, the ramblers that is, not the cows. Mrs Trellis has spotted someone fracking on the playing field and this must be urgently investigated. Tea and scones were enjoyed overlooking Doggers Hill and we returned in high spirits via the stream at Pooh corner. The accompaniment of the pub landlord was a bonus and it was good to have him back in good form.

Our next ramble is from The Oxfordshire Yeoman, **9.30am on Sunday 4th**

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FREELAND WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

We spent our October meeting at Freeland Nurseries, where we found out about planting and growing bulbs. We were introduced to a “bulb lasagne”, which is made by planting layers of bulbs in one pot. The idea is to provide continuous flowering over the spring months. We selected our bulbs from the wide range available, planting the latest flowering first, and adding layers, until the earliest to flower were at the top. Thank you to Tim and Sue for an enjoyable evening. We are hoping that Freeland will be full of pots of beautiful spring flowering bulbs in the new year!

Our next meeting is on **Monday 12th November**, when we will be joined by Lauren from Cocoa Criollo for a chocolate demonstration. You do not have to be a WI member to join us for what promises to be a delicious evening.

Freeland WI normally meets on the second Monday of the month in the Village Hall, starting at **8pm** and finishing around **10pm**. We welcome visitors and new members. Further information is available on our website <https://freelandwiuk.wixsite.com> on our Facebook page www.facebook.com/freelandwi or contact Lorraine Pengilley **01993 881129**.



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We still have some spaces available.

Many thanks to all those who have offered to help
Everyone is welcome, individuals, couples, families -
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Dear Christmas Lunch team

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FREELAND FOOTBALL CLUB NEWS

200 Club September Draw

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2nd prize:	£10	No. 50	D. Kershaw
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The **Firsts** have had mixed results this month in the League, winning two games and losing two games after a couple of disappointing performances.

The **Reserves** have faired somewhat better, wining three and losing one and also progressing into the 2nd round of the Intermediate Cup with a great win over Heyford Reserves.

Our **Under 12s** currently are sitting top of the League and at present are yet to taste defeat in the League.

Also topping the table are our **Under 15s** who also are unbeaten in their League this season.

We would like to thank all those who have re-joined the **200 Club** for this year, it is a valuable fundraiser for the club. If you wish to see the things your help goes towards, please do come to the field on a match day to see the great new goals and dug-outs we have recently purchased, with the help of the money from 200 Club and generous sponsors. Thanks must go to Liam Harris for all his hard work on sorting these items. Another date for the diary is the return of **Phil Panting's World Famous Quiz**

Night – this year on the subject of the World Cup and to be held in the Yeoman on **Saturday November 24th**. All are welcome to join in!

Ben Symonds - Secretary Freeland FC

THANK YOU FROM THE TEDDY GIRLS

To all those who came to our Michaelmas Fayre. We raised **£531.90p** for the Little Free Library. Many thanks for all the very generous donations we received and particularly to Tim Webster at Freeland Nurseries and Mike Tinson - local milkman - for their continued support.



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Sunday 2nd December
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Your wreath can be hung on a door or used as a centrepiece for your festive table. It will easily last until Christmas.

The workshop costs £25, to include your wreath base and refreshments. We will have ribbons and decorations to buy, or you can bring your own. Places are limited, so sign up now, and be the envy of your neighbours this year – or better still bring them along!

Please contact: Rosie James (colinandrosiejames@hotmail.co.uk) or
Lesley Jenkins (lesley8055@gmail.com)

EXERCISE GROUP

Come and join our friendly exercise group run by an Age UK tutor at the Village Hall, Fridays 10.00am - 11.00am First taster session is free. To suit all abilities (seated or standing). These classes are to build muscle strength & help prevent falls.

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MARGARET BUGG

James, Debbie and family would like to thank everybody for their support and kindness at this time.

NORTH LEIGH HISTORY SOCIETY

Tuesday 6th November: Friends Ambulance Unit - a talk by Sue Smith

At our meeting on November 6th we remember the two World Wars through the experiences of the Friends Ambulance Unit. Of those called up to serve in the Wars, there were a number of men who were conscientious objectors because of a strongly held belief that killing another human being was wrong no matter what the circumstances. Some of these people were imprisoned for the duration of the war, but others chose to serve in a non-combatant role in the Friends Ambulance Unit, risking their lives to help those wounded in battle. Explore with us what happened to those who chose this path of service.

Tuesday 4th December: A 17th Century Christmas - a talk by Tim Healey

Meetings take place on the first Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm in the Turner Hall, Church Road, North Leigh **OX29 6TX**. All welcome. Visitors £4, members free. Further details from Diana Power **01993 882301**

BURFORD ORCHESTRA

On **Saturday 24th November**, Burford Orchestra returns to Burford School with a **Romantic Masters** concert. The programme opens with Franz Liszt's *Les Preludes* and ends with one of Tchaikovsky's final works – his emotionally-charged and deeply romantic 6th *Symphony*. We are also delighted to be joined by local up-and-coming baritone soloist Will Diggle who will be singing a selection of well-known operatic arias including *Toreador Song* from Bizet's *Carmen* and *Largo al Factotum* from Rossini's *Barber of Seville*.

Tickets cost £9 with £1 entry for under 16s and are available online from TicketSource. Contact info@burfordorchestra.org.uk or Sarah on **01993 883490** for information. Doors open 7pm, refreshments available.



Congratulations for helping to raise **£60** on the Oxford Historic Churches Trust sponsored ride and stride on Saturday 8th September 2018, **£30** of which will go into St. Mary's church funds. Thank you everyone who took part, cycling, walking, sponsoring participants and welcoming visitors to the church.

John Fox

1st HANBOROUGH FREELAND SCOUT GROUP

We are always on the look out for additional volunteers. We will soon be in need of extra helpers for the Beavers group, who meet on Wednesdays during term time, from 5:30 until 6:45. If you or anyone you know is interested please contact us by sending an email to Adam gsl@hfscouting.org.uk or by chatting to one of the leaders.



Explorers had a great time at CESAW (County Explorer Scout Activity Weekend) and they have already said that they want to go again next year!

Scouts are heading off to the ever-popular Paccar Camp, near Gerrards Cross, later this month, being joined by a few explorers too.

Cubs went on an exciting night hike through the woods, and this month will be making catapults and electric motors, although thankfully not at the same time!

We currently have 24 **Beavers** and they've been celebrating both Halloween and Bonfire Night, and will be doing zumba this month, as well as visiting a police station.

Finally, a reminder that our groups will be participating in the Remembrance Day service taking place in Long Hanborough on **Sunday 11th November**. Everyone is to meet, in uniform, at the Pavilion at **9.30am**, so we can walk to the Methodist Church together.

Matthew Ruddle (Publicity Rep)

PLASTICS & RECYCLING in West Oxfordshire

You can recycle lots of plastic items in your blue-lidded wheelie bin. These can be recycled into so many amazing things.... football shirts, sleeping bags and even fleece jackets. But there are many different types of plastic and it depends on what the recycling facility will accept as to what can be recycled.

Yes please - put in your blue-lidded bin	No thanks - put in your grey rubbish bin
Plastic bottles Drinks bottles and cleaning products like shampoo, shower gel and bleach bottles etc. We collect any colour and you can leave tops on too.	Plastic bags Carrier bags, compost bags, fruit / vegetable packaging and any plastic bags that can be easily scrunched in your hand.
Plastic pots Yoghurt and medicine pots, etc.	Bubble wrap and plastic film Cling film, cellophane, film lids etc.
Plastic tubs and punnets Ice cream & butter tubs & fruit / vegetable punnets etc.	Crisp packets, sweet & chocolate wrappers These cannot be recycled as they contain a mix of foil & plastic
Plastic food trays* Meat, biscuit & chocolate trays etc * Please remove the plastic film lid & put this in your grey rubbish bin.	Cat & dog food pouches These cannot be recycled as they contain several materials including foil, plastic & paper

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

- 28 Oct** End of British Summer Time - put clocks back one hour
29 Oct Freeland Gardening Club, Village Hall, 7.30pm
31 Oct Grey Week: household rubbish + food waste collection
31 Oct Marie Curie Halloween Quiz Night, Oxfordshire Yeoman, 8pm £3
4 Nov Unaccepted Freeland Ramblers, meet at Oxfordshire Yeoman 9.30am
6 Nov The Cake Café, Freeland Village Hall, 9.00 - 11.30am (bacon rolls 9-10am)
6 Nov Woodstock U3A, Community Centre, New Road, Woodstock, 2pm
6 Nov North Leigh History Society, Turner Hall, Church Rd, N. Leigh, 7.30pm
6 Nov Freeland Photo Group, Newell Room, 7.30pm, £4
7 Nov Green Week: recycling + food waste + garden waste collection
9 Nov Cinema @ Freeland Hall, Finding Your Feet (PG), 7.30pm £5.00
9 Nov Witney Music Society, High Street Methodist Church, Witney, 7.30pm
12 Nov Freeland Women's Institute, Freeland Hall, 8pm
12 Nov **Last date for insertions in the December Grapevine**
14 Nov Grey Week: household rubbish + food waste collection
19 Nov Freeland Parish Council meeting, Newell Room, 7.30pm
20 Nov Freeland Photo Group, Newell Room, 7.30pm, £4
21 Nov Green Week: recycling + food waste + garden waste collection
24 Nov Burford Orchestra, Burford School, 7pm, £9 (£1 - under 16s)
24 Nov Phil Panting's Quiz Night in aid of the Heart Foundation, The Yeoman
26 Nov Freeland Gardening Club, Village Hall, 7.30pm
28 Nov Grey Week: household rubbish + food waste collection
28 Nov - 1 Dec Bartholomew Players, 'Dangerous Corner', Eynsham Village Hall
28 Nov Marie Curie Quiz Night, Oxfordshire Yeoman, 8pm £3
29 Nov Wychwood Project AGM, New Beaconsfield Hall, Shipton-U-Wychwood
1 Dec Freeland Orchestra & WOW, St Leonard's Church, Eynsham, 7.30pm
2 Dec Christmas Wreath Workshop, Village Hall, 9am - 12noon, £25
3 Dec African Children's Fund Quiz Night, Oxfordshire Yeoman, 8pm, £2.50
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HEALTH AND CARE NEWS: system-wide team to deliver joined-up services this winter

In the first appointment of its kind in the county, Oxfordshire now has a Winter Director, Tehmeena Ajmal, (appointed by the chief executives of OUH, OCCG , OCC and Oxford Health) will lead a central Winter Team to reduce seasonal pressures across health and care services. The team will also work to improve quality and performance of emergency and urgent care in the area.

The Winter Team will ensure all health and care professionals in the county – including social services, GPs, hospitals, ambulance services, mental health services and charities – work together to deliver better, responsive and more joined-up services, especially during the flu season.

Tehmeena said: "Our priority is to ensure patients get the best care especially during winter and this new approach which brings together clinical and community teams should make a difference. But this approach will also rely on people having their own winter plan to help protect from coughs, colds and flu.

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"People most at risk of flu can help us by having a free flu vaccination. This includes people aged over 65, people with a long-term condition such as diabetes or a kidney or heart condition and also pregnant women. Children aged two and three years can have a free nasal spray vaccine from their GP and school age children will receive the vaccination at school."

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Photographs should be JPEGs, again **not PDFs**.

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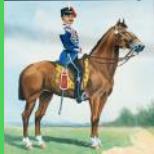
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Weds 31st October: Marie Curie Halloween Quiz

Sat 3rd November: 5th Anniversary Celebration of
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Tues 20th November: Venezuelan Night

Sat 24th November: Phil's Famous Quiz in aid of the
Heart Foundation

Weds 28th November: Marie Curie Quiz

Mon 3rd December: African Children's Fund Quiz

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