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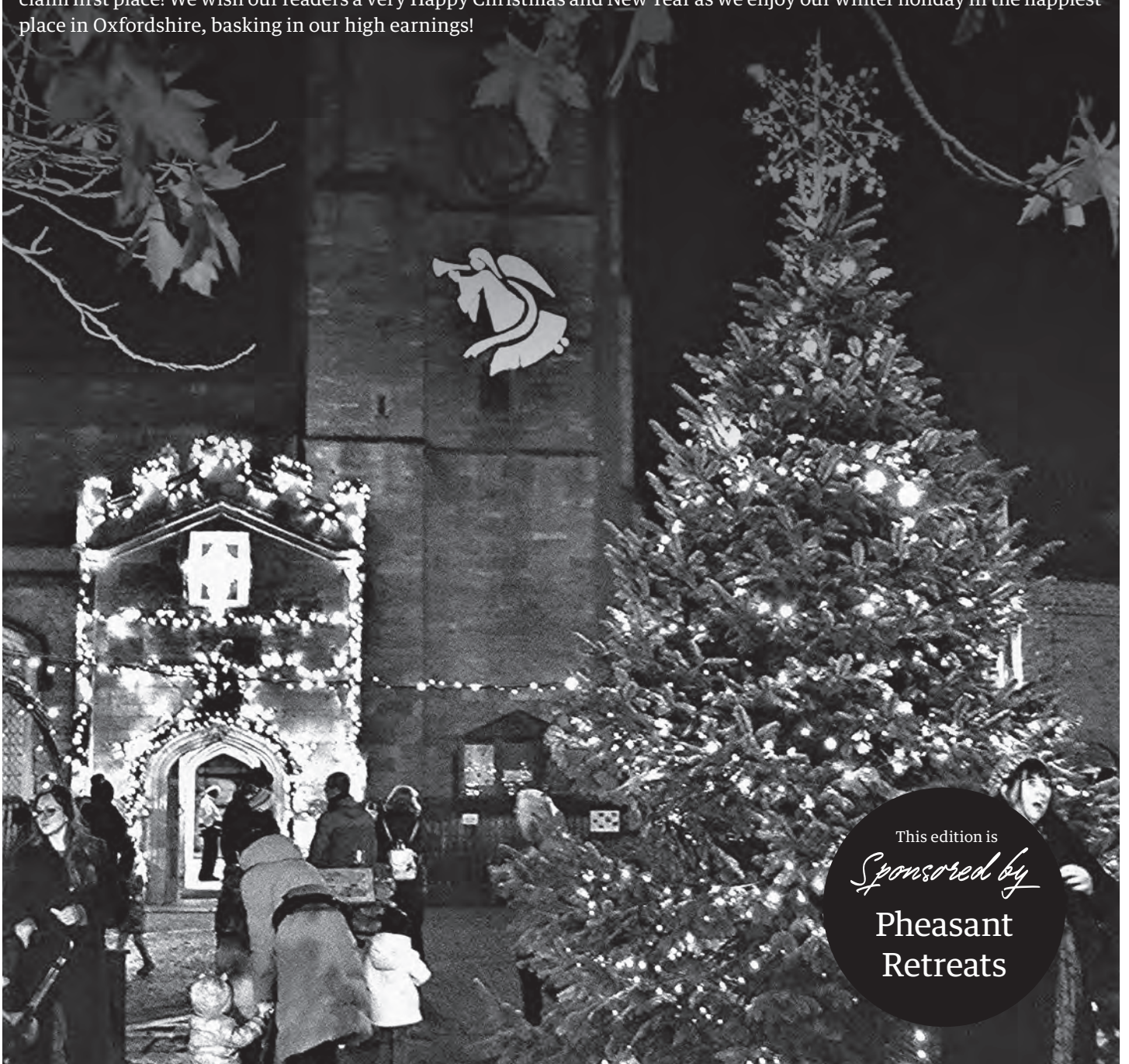


Eynsham



is HAPPY!

The Oxford Mail has reported on a survey which named our village as “the happiest place to live in Oxfordshire,” though the photo they used wasn’t Eynsham! And they said the village was “chock-a-block with high earners”! Despite this, the piece was complimentary of our community and pointed to our brilliant schools and that we are well served by numerous public houses! And at the very least, it’s good to know that we beat Wantage, Abingdon, Faringdon and Chipping Norton to claim first place! We wish our readers a very Happy Christmas and New Year as we enjoy our winter holiday in the happiest place in Oxfordshire, basking in our high earnings!

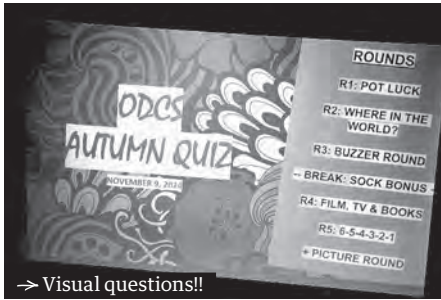


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Charity quiz at The Swan

by Jon Young

Deaf children and their families headed to The Swan Hotel in November as it hosted the first Oxfordshire Deaf Children's Society (ODCS) family quiz. Huge thanks to Gordon and Kay for allowing us to use the function room, where over 30 children, siblings and parents gathered for an afternoon of light-hearted quiz fun on the big screen. There was a big focus on visual questions, with a picture round, a buzzer round and a 'Where in the World?' screen round, testing everyone's grey matter.

ODCS's next family quiz will be in the new year. It's free to enter and there are prizes on the day. Email me at jonjyoung@gmail.com for more information, or keep an eye on the ODCS Facebook page.

About ODCS: The ODCS provides support to hearing-impaired children, young people and their families across Oxfordshire. The charity hosts regular activities for members throughout the year. To find out more, go to bit.ly/3Z2TTjp.

Eynsham Women's Institute

by Valerie Johnston

The WI had a busy, fun autumn. In September, we and our partners braved rain—and the risk of driving into the river!—to reach Bablock Hythe for skittles and dinner. Later in the month, we held a meeting about the local charity Mercy in Action. October featured our annual Harvest Supper, with an auction of food and crafts. Our November meeting was a craft night.

We are now looking forward to our

Christmas dinner and entertainment in Woodstock. In January, we will find out about scams and how to avoid them. Altogether, talks, games and fellowship were—and will be—much enjoyed.



Peace Oak Orchard happenings

by Les Swarbrick

The Apple Day and Green Festival in October was very successful and enjoyable. There were numerous activities, including juicing apples, identifying apples, a children's treasure hunt, a fungi foray, willow weaving, wood turning and spinning. A delicious German Apple Cake came top in the competition for a plant-based dish. The Nature Recovery Network engaged people in their wildflower meadow work. And there was the opportunity to buy our grafted family trees, which have been very popular.

The next event will be our annual Wassailing in January. To find out how to become a Peace Oak member, email peaceoakorchard@gmail.com

Maps of Eynsham

by Sarah Medina

Eynsham Museum is now closed for winter, which is a normal practice for small museums like ours. We aim to open again in spring 2025. Not all is dormant, though! Keep checking the website (eynshammuseum.org.uk) to learn about our Objects of the Month, and for the latest news and future plans.



We have just received donations of three hugely varied and wonderful maps featuring Eynsham, including this old Soviet one, dating originally from 1942. Will Maps of Eynsham be our next exhibition? We will keep you posted!

Eynsham Village Show

by Claire Singleton

We were thrilled to have great weather and many entries for September's Village Show. It was lovely to see so many familiar—and new—faces. The Cherry Tree Café did us proud with their delicious cakes. And our guest of honour, PCSO Helen Keen, presented the trophies.

Well done to all who took part—adults and children alike—and congratulations to entrants who took home a cup or a trophy. The list of winners is too lengthy for this space, but you can find it here: bit.ly/3YHBM1.



Many thanks to those who gave suggestions for next year's show. Hopefully, you will see some of your ideas in 2025. Save the date: Saturday 13 September. The schedule and entry form will be published around June.

Remember—anyone is welcome to enter. We would love to see even more new faces, so please spread the word. It may be Eynsham's Village Show, but it is not just open to Eynsham villagers!

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a Merry Christmas and
Prosperous New Year



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Around the village



Eynsham Roadrunners: 52 weeks of tea and cake for £5 in 2025!

Eynsham Roadrunners is a diverse, friendly, community-based club with approximately 170 members who live in Cumnor, Cassington, Botley, Freeland, Witney, Carterton, Long Hanborough, Woodstock, Yarnton, Eynsham and beyond.

We welcome runners, walkers and joggers of all speeds, ages and abilities every Wednesday evening at 6.30pm at the Eynsham Pavilion, with a variety of different pace groups covering from 3 to 8 miles and meeting back at the Pavilion for tea and cake and a chinwag afterwards. The entrance to the Pavilion car park is on the left approximately 200 metres from the Toll Bridge roundabout, next to the playing fields.

Membership costs just £5 a year, and we have a variety of activities throughout the year, a few of which are:

- **'You Can Run'**, led by one of our qualified club coaches. This is basically our 'couch to 5K' programme for those new or returning to running
- **Club Championship:** an annual series of local races from 2-15 miles with the club champions crowned at the end of the year
- **Social activities**, pub evenings, and walking tours

- **Cross Country:** 5 off-road events over the winter months
- **'Mota-vation'** Series: 5 short local road races over the summer months
- **'Parkrun'** tourism: club members travel to a variety of Oxfordshire parkruns throughout the year

We also have Tuesday hill training sessions in the beautiful Wytham Woods during the winter months, as well as Tuesday speed training sessions in Eynsham itself.

Eynsham Roadrunners is a big-hearted club where there is always a warm welcome for everyone and smiling faces. To get in touch and find out more, just drop us an email: eynsham.err@gmail.com or visit our website: www.eynshamroadrunners.org.uk or pop down to the Pavilion on any Wednesday at 6.30pm. We look forward to meeting you soon!

A great cricketing season

by Patrick Arnold

2024 has been another successful season for Eynsham Cricket Club (ECC). The 2nd XI (pictured) secured promotion by winning their league, the 1st XI missed promotion by only a small margin, and the women's and junior sections continued to flourish. These were the first successful steps in a longer-term plan to establish ECC as a club worthy of our fantastic playing facilities—the work of our amazing groundsman, Gary Cook.

Summer sees cricket being played throughout the week: ages 6 to 17, women's hard and soft ball cricket, men's league matches, and a full list of friendly matches. Friday night junior training is the heartbeat of the club, providing a backdrop for families to enjoy the bar and BBQ on a weekly basis.

While there are exciting plans to rebuild the cricket nets and enhance the club's facilities yet further, we must thank those that have made the club what it is today. The committee, coaches and players play a huge part in keeping ECC going, but special mention should be made for our retiring Clubhouse Manager, Andrew 'Frank' Partlett. Since the completion of the new pavilion in 2014, Frank has managed it—and very much more. His contributions are hugely appreciated.

A number of sponsors have also backed the club. Particular thanks go to Lawrence Baker, who provided a new electronic scoreboard in 2024, and to Meech, who continue to support the junior section, as well as to Ready Steady Spice and to SAS Scaffolding.

In addition to new playing members of all ages, we would welcome new volunteers from Eynsham or roundabouts to help run the club. From junior coaching, umpiring, bar staff, ground assistance, tea-making and parent helpers, there is always plenty to do! For more information, please go to bit.ly/3CqsJKf or email eynshamyoungcricketers@gmail.com

Join us at ECC for another great summer in 2025. Or come sooner! During winter, we participate in men's and women's indoor leagues, as well as indoor nets.



Deck the halls with evergreens

by Nick Clapton

For many gardeners, this time of year may be regarded as a well-deserved holiday. Having tidied up your plot and brought your pelargoniums (etc.) in from the cold, there is perhaps little to do except browse catalogues and plot next year's horticultural exploits. Hence a rest from gardening for this column, and an article on 'festive greens' (avoiding all mention of Brussels sprouts).

Many cultures have taken to bringing garden produce indoors for the festive seasons they celebrate. Historian John Stow wrote in his 1598 Survey of London, "Against the feast of Christmas every man's house and

also his parish church was decked with holme [holly], ivie, bayes, and whatever the season of the year afforded to be green.” The association of evergreens with the renewal of life at the darkest time of year is certainly pre-Christian. Likewise, mistletoe: though its Druidic associations may or may not be ancient, it was certainly used in the making of evergreen circular or spherical ‘kissing boughs’, maybe as long ago as Tudor times. These, indeed, may be the predecessors of the Christmas wreaths that bedeck many a British front door during December.

Wreaths in general date back at least to those made of laurel and awarded to victors at the ancient Olympic Games. As part of church Advent liturgy, they were probably first used by Lutherans during the 16th century, though the first documented evidence of them comes from 1839, when Pastor Johann Hinrich Wichern used a cartwheel decorated with candles of differing colours to represent the days leading up to Christmas and to explain their significance to the inmates of a children’s home he ran in Hamburg.

As to the Christmas tree, everyone ‘knows’ that these were introduced to Britain by Prince Albert, consort of Queen Victoria. This isn’t true; it was, rather, another royal spouse, Queen Charlotte, the wife of George III, who first had one erected at Queen’s Lodge, Windsor in 1800. However, it was Albert’s importation of some spruce firs from his native Germany in December 1840 and subsequent annual articles describing the royal Christmas trees published in popular periodicals that popularised them amongst the public.

Catholic tradition has a much older story. Devonshire-born St Boniface (680–754 CE), evangeliser of the Germans, is said to have destroyed ‘Thor’s Oak’ in the village of Geismar to prevent traditional child sacrifice to the pagan god. Pointing to a little evergreen tree nearby, he preached to them, “This little tree, a young child of the forest, shall be your holy tree tonight. It is the wood of peace...It is the sign of an endless life, for its leaves are ever green. See how it

points upward to heaven. Let this be called the tree of the Christ-child; gather about it, not in the wild wood, but in your own homes; there it will shelter no deeds of blood, but loving gifts and rites of kindness.”

By the way, don’t plant out your ‘little’ Christmas tree unless you have a large arboretum. In their native areas of the mountains south and east of the Black Sea, Turkey, Georgia and the Russian Caucasus, Nordmann firs can reach heights of around 85 metres (279 feet)!

A40: response from a reader

by David Peddy

Thank you for obtaining the ‘explanation’ about the A40 from Cllr Dan Levy. (It) reads to me as a gross lack of ‘joined-up thinking’ which the incumbent administration have done nothing to ameliorate since taking office in 2021, but who, in the way of politics, are reaping the ridicule and contumely?

And A40 latest

The County Council are moving forward with plans for the A40 and will be engaging with the public during December, before they put in official plans in the new year.

If you would like to see, understand, comment, you can go to an exhibition of the proposals at the Village Hall, Back Lane, on Wednesday 4 December, 3-7pm.

Construction is expected to take two years, with completion in 2028.

Christmas in church

by Father Martin Flatman

For Christian churches, this season is a bit strange! While most people celebrate Christmas all through December, strictly speaking, the church doesn’t start celebrating the birth of Jesus until Christmas Eve.

Most churches put on Christmas events, like Carols or Christingle, in December (see the calendar, page 11, for details), and more people go to church over Christmas than at any other time of the year. The most popular service used to be Midnight Mass for adults or a Christmas morning service for families but now, the most popular service is on Christmas Eve at

about 5pm or 6pm, where a mix of adults and children with candles and popular carols is what draws most people.

You are all very welcome to come and celebrate Christmas in any of Eynsham’s churches.

Mind the scammers

by Bob McIntyre

Suppose you’re walking down the street, and a stranger comes up to you and says, “give me the keys to your house, so I can help you tidy up.” What would you say?

I don’t think the answer is printable, and yet, everyday people are doing just that and potentially losing thousands of pounds as a result.

It always starts with an unexpected phone call claiming to come from a big name such as Microsoft/Apple/Virgin/BT/your bank, even the police. They tell you that your computer/hub/bank account has a problem and they’re ringing to help you sort it out.

And people—generally being respectful—fall straight into their trap by giving direct access to the computer/tablet/phone, and before you know it money is disappearing from your bank accounts. The software you install for them allows scammers to simply Hoover up your data and passwords.

I’m the person who comes along clean up your computer afterwards and I’ve seen it all before. Yet it still surprises me that people don’t just put the phone down and happily give out passwords and PINs without knowing who they are really talking to.

So if someone cold calls you, remember big companies and banks simply do not ring you out of the blue. Put the phone down. If they persist keep putting the phone down or leave the phone off the hook.

Think: Would I give my key to a stranger?—NO! And do tell someone—family or friend—about the call so you don’t feel alone.

Footnote: Bob McIntyre has been helping people with their computers (PC & Apple) for over 30 years. Contrary to popular belief he is still alive and living in Eynsham and can be contacted on 07768 732123 especially if you need help after being scammed.



**Christmas
Cheer**

**With short days and long evenings,
and chill weather keeping us
indoors, this is a great time to put
our creative hats on. Here are some
ways to make your own lovely
festive decorations, along with
recipes for Christmas celebrations.**

Salt dough ornaments

by Sarah Medina



It's fun and inexpensive to make your own Christmas ornaments from salt dough and is suitable for all ages. You can add string or ribbon to these decorations and hang them from the Christmas tree, or string them in rows to make bunting for the fireplace or window. Here's how to make about a dozen ornaments.

Method: **1.** Put 250g plain flour, 125g fine cooking salt and 60ml warm water into a large bowl. **2.** Mix together and then knead for 5-10 minutes until smooth and elastic. **3.** Roll out and cut out the shapes you'd like. You can use biscuit cutters, make paper templates to cut around or simply cut them out freehand. **4.** Put a hole in the top for hanging, using a straw, a wooden skewer or such like. Make sure the hole is big enough to take the string or ribbon you want to use **5.** Place on a baking sheet and either leave to air dry or bake in the oven (300°F / 150°C) for about 1 hour until dry. Leave to cool completely. **6.** These look pretty just as they are. They also look wonderful painted with acrylic paints—just do your own thing and have fun with it. **7.** Finally, add your string or ribbon—and enjoy a Happy Christmas with your own creation!

Christmas spiced cupcakes

by Renata Swatek



For the cupcakes: 100g caster sugar; 100g soft brown sugar; 200g unsalted butter; 3 eggs; 200g plain flour; 1 tsp baking powder; 1 tsp each cinnamon, cardamom, cloves, ginger, nutmeg; vanilla extract; pinch of salt. For the frosting: 250g icing sugar; 250g unsalted butter; 1 tbsp milk; 1 tsp vanilla extract; 50g white chocolate, melted.

Method-cupcakes: **1.** Pre-heat the oven to 180°C. **2.** Mix the caster sugar and brown sugar in a bowl. Add the butter and vanilla extract and beat until fluffy. **3.** Add the eggs, one at a time, and mix until combined. **4.** Sieve in the flour and add the spices, then mix well. Finally, add the milk. **5.** Line 12 cupcake cases and divide the batter evenly between them. **6.** Bake for 16-18 minutes. **Method-frosting:** Beat the icing sugar with the unsalted butter, then add the milk and vanilla extract. Mix until fluffy, then add the melted white chocolate and beat until smooth! Find Renata's homemade cakes for sale on the Eynsham Community Facebook page (bit.ly/48LCGOs).

Stained-glass window biscuits

by Amy Crickmay-Heraty



Hang these on a tree and see the light shine through the boiled sweet centre!
Ingredients: 150g butter; 100g brown sugar; 1 egg; 250g plain flour; 1 tsp baking powder; 1 tbsp mixed spice; 1 tsp vanilla extract; 1 pack boiled sweets.

Method: **1.** Preheat the oven to 180°C. **2.** Whisk butter and sugar together, then add the egg and mix. **3.** Sift in the plain flour, baking powder and mixed spice, then add a pinch of salt. Mix in the vanilla extract. **4.** Turn the dough out and roll to 1cm thick. Make biscuit shapes using a Christmas tree or other festive cutter. Place the biscuits onto a tray lined with baking paper. **5.** Cut out a small diamond shape in the middle of each biscuit, then place a boiled sweet (whole) in the hole. Don't forget to pierce a small hole in the top of each biscuit. These can be used to thread ribbon through for hanging on the tree when baked! **6.** Bake in the oven for 15 minutes until the sweet has melted and the biscuits have turned brown.

Christmas chilli ketchup

by Jon Young



This is ideal for gifts or for serving at Christmas with cheese, meat or sausage rolls. Make sure you sterilise the glass jars before bottling. Ingredients: 1kg chopped tomatoes; 250g red onions, chopped; 250g red apples, peeled, cored and chopped; chillies to taste (15-20 for the biggest kick); 240ml white wine vinegar; 3 tsp salt; 5 tsp paprika; 240g brown sugar.

Method: **1.** Chuck all the ingredients in a pan and bring to a boil. Reduce to a simmer and cook for 90 minutes. Add a little more time, if the sauce needs more thickening. **2.** Let the mixture cool, then blend before returning to the saucepan. Keep stirring to stop the sauce from sticking and burning. Taste and add extra salt, if needed. **3.** Leave the sauce to cool before filling sterilised glass bottles.

Around the village

Primary School news

by Ginny Bayliss, Executive Headteacher, and Nicola Edwards, Head of School

We have had a great start to the new academic year here at Eynsham Community Primary School. Sixty new children joined our Reception classes and have settled well into school life. Numerous trips and events - including a Year 4 overnight stay at Hill End and a Year 5 three-day residential at Youlbury - have given our children lots of valuable experiences and memories.

A Fun Run for all children in the school raised money for our Playground Project. Members of staff and the community also ran the Oxford Half Marathon to raise money for the school. We thank them very much for their support.

The school allotment has continued to be a huge success with pupils, who enjoy growing and selling the produce. This has enhanced not only our science curriculum, but also their understanding of how food is produced. We have celebrated Black History Month and participated in World Mental Health Day.

This year, we are promoting Pupil Leadership to encourage children to be involved in decision making across the school. Year 6 children are taking on a range of responsibilities, including being play leaders, librarians, dinner hall monitors and Safeguarding Heroes. They are also able to get involved in Governors' meetings. These activities develop the children's confidence and empathy, give them a sense of purpose in the community, and promote recognition and solution finding.

Bartholomew School News

Unless you are a parent or carer of a Bartholomew School student, you probably do not know that there is a wealth of information, including a termly bulletin, on their website (bit.ly/3UMRFBY).

In the latest issue, the Headteacher

writes, "We welcomed many new students to Bartholomew School in September, and we hope everyone has had an enjoyable, productive first term and settled in well. It has been a busy extracurricular term with, perhaps most notably, our two big overhauls: a trip to Paris and a History trip to Berlin.

"In Term 2, our Year 11 students will begin their mock examinations. The excellent attendance at our recent Success Fayre shows that they are ready for the challenge, and we wish them all luck in their preparations."

National news reports have featured the use of mobile phones by teenagers, so you may be interested to know the school's policy on this: "Students must have their phones/headphones switched off and in their bags from 8.30am until 3.05pm. If a student has their phone/headphones out without permission, they will be confiscated for the day. If this becomes a regular occurrence, there will be an escalation of sanctions. If a student is found to have filmed or photographed another student(s), member of staff or event whilst at school and/or shared an image/video, this will lead to a serious consequence, usually suspension." You can find all the school's policies here: bit.ly/3ABhXQU.

Not everyone will have a warm Christmas— Government Cuts in Winter Fuel Payment

This advice is adapted and based on a feature in The Times, by kind permission from the author, Martyn James, a consumer rights champion.

The Government is cutting the winter fuel payment for pensioners who don't qualify for pension credit and many people are worried about being able to afford their energy bills this winter.

Many eligible pensioners have not claimed the pension credit that they are entitled to, but the application form is long and off-putting. Check the website <https://www.gov.uk/pension-credit/eligibility>

The winter fuel payment isn't the only option for managing bills. Have a look at the regulator [ofgem.gov.uk](https://www.ofgem.gov.uk)

website where a guide lists all the grants and schemes available. The website also sets out what you can expect your energy supplier to do if you call and say that you can't afford your bills.

The Priority Services Register is a free service where you can get additional support with a utility bill, not just gas and electricity. Your age and disability may qualify you to go on the register, but many others may also be able to get help, depending on their needs.

Contact your energy supplier. Once on the register, the energy firm must prioritise your situation and make allowances for your specific needs. If a customer is on the register, the supplier must also provide help and assistance with bills and offer a tailored plan to support vulnerable customers. Ofgem recommends steps such as reviewing payments, offering payment breaks or reductions, extending payment deadlines, providing access to hardship funds, and giving advice on cutting energy usage.

Energy firms also have energy or heating grants for customers. Apply through the energy firm to see if you qualify.

And the government's Warm Home Discount Scheme is due to reopen in October 2024. This is a discount applied directly to energy bills. You can find out more at Warm Home Discount Scheme: Overview—[GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk).

These schemes and discounts can be overwhelming. If you need help, charities such as Scope and Citizens Advice can tell you about the benefits and help that you might qualify for.

If you find that a bit daunting or just want to chat through what is involved and maybe get a little help with the form filling, Eynsham Good Neighbour Network may be able to visit you to help you find your way around the process. Their number is 07443 564516.

If you have explored all the options above, the Eynsham Consolidated Charity may be able to offer some help to applicants who live in Eynsham and Freeland.

Please apply in confidence to the

Clerk, Catherine Barton, by emailing eynshamcharities@gmail.com or by writing to the Trustees via the Clerk, c/o The Bartholomew Room, The Square, Eynsham, Oxfordshire OX29 4HW.

Looking for something different?

Did you know there are over 300 organisations in Eynsham? With more than a dozen 'start-ups' in the last year or so—from A level Maths & Further Maths Tuition to Zumba with Beth Stephenson—you need never be at a loose end.

Eynsham Online is your virtual notice board, keeping you up to date with these and many more as a year-round companion to the printed Eynsham News. Start with the Events page, if you haven't seen it recently. You'll be amazed how much is going on!

New entries are always welcome—and for any local group or business they're FREE. You can't say fairer than that!

eynsham.org.uk



Rotary Club of Eynsham

Santa is coming to Town!

This year Santa will again be seen in and around the villages in early December.

In recent years Santa has been at static sites near the Eynsham Library and in the Square. This year's locations will be shown on Eynsham Online. Look out for this information coming soon.

Santa is looking forward to seeing the children in and around the Eynsham area. He and his Elves will be collecting money for Charity and

as we know not everyone has cash available for door knocking, we ask that you think about offering donations via the payment information posted along with the details of dates and times which will also all be shown on "Eynsham Online".

Santa and the Rotary Club of Eynsham wish you all a very Happy Christmas!



A big 'Thank You' from Eynsham Country Market

Eynsham Country Market would like to thank all our wonderful customers for your continued support over the last year. Our 40th anniversary year has been busier than ever and for the festive season, we have arranged a Christmas market in Long Hanborough Recreation Hall on Saturday 30th November and a Christmas Market in Eynsham Village Square on 7th December from 9.30am until 12pm. Tea, coffee, cake and mince pies will be available. Our last market of the year will be Thursday 19th December when customers can collect their festive orders.

We are a friendly co-operative enterprise made up of local people and if you would like to get involved call us on (01865) 435343 or email eynshamcountrymarket76@gmail.com or have a chat with us at the Market on a Thursday in Eynsham Square between 9am and 10.30am.

Dogs Christmas party

Many in Eynsham who have dogs will

have attended training at Long Hanborough with Janet Guest. Janet has now completed her final training session, but is finishing off with a Christmas Party on Wednesday 4 December.

Janet says, the party "will follow the usual format of party food, raffle and party games (for the dogs). Fancy dress is optional (for dogs & handlers). All members past and present are most welcome, with or without a 4 legged companion."

Contact Janet for further details: colinguest888@btinternet.com 01993881187 or 07719667557

From outside the village

Stop Botley West continues to

campaign about the solar panels set to cover acres of farmland around us. Planning decisions are not far off being made. If you still feel you want to make your voice heard, go to stopbotleywest.com for ideas and inspiration.

Bridewell Gardens is celebrating thirty years of supporting mental health recovery through horticulture.

Bridewell works with 70-90 people each year who have experienced serious mental ill health including diagnoses of bipolar disorder, schizophrenia, and depression. In the last 12 months 48% of people moving on from Bridewell have returned to paid employment (28%) and volunteering (20%).

There are occasional open days when you can visit the gardens, and there is also a new impetus to develop Bridewell's work further. More info at bridewellgardens.org

Combe Mill have their annual Christmas Fayre on Sunday 1 December, from 1pm to 4pm, with free entry and car parking (and even dogs on leads welcome).

Oxford Flower Club are planning for 2025, with a range of professional demonstrators, workshops, a trip to Salisbury Cathedral for the 'Spirit of Water' flower festival and a summer afternoon teas.

If you're looking for a new interest and would like to know more about joining Oxford Flower Club, call Karen on 07967 555750



→ It has capacity for 50 people and parking for 20 cars!

It's not just for sports!

Owl Sports Pavilion is a great local venue.

Built in the 1970s, our Sports Pavilion sits on the south playing fields and has long been a popular venue for sports teams and local events.

Despite its name, the Sports Pavilion is suitable for so much more than sports teams changing. The building has capacity for 50 people—and parking for 20 cars—with a kitchen, toilets, and tables/chairs available for use. Importantly, the Pavilion has an entertainments licence: ideal for a party!

Runners HQ

Eynsham Roadrunners have been using the Sports Pavilion as their base and meeting point for over 20 years. They hold a weekly social run as well as various other activities. They've been meeting at the Pavilion for decades because the location and facilities work so well for them.

Club member Jane Garton explained: "Local people can walk and for those coming from further afield there is plenty of parking." She also notes how "essential" the kitchen facilities are, and the setting

also adds to the appeal, with Botley-based Jane noting how much she's enjoyed getting to know the countryside around Eynsham.

She adds: "The green space around the Pavilion is really useful and attractive to us; it's great for hosting events or just for gathering outside in the summer."

Cooking a storm

Liz Jones has been teaching cookery classes at the Sports Pavilion for around 14 years, working with adults with learning disabilities. "I teach three classes a week and the Pavilion is a brilliant space for us," Liz said. "It's easy for everyone to get to, easily accessible for those in wheelchairs or with mobility issues, with parking right outside."

With nine students at each session, plus their support workers, the space allows Liz to expand out of the kitchen into the main area; "we open the doors and make use of the tables in the hall, and the outlook onto the sport fields is lovely. It all works really well for us."

Could it suit your event?

Despite various long-standing bookings for the Sports Pavilion, there are still slots; consider it if you're planning a party or a new class/activity. The space is popular for children's parties, not least because of the playing fields right outside. Find out more about the space on our website or email bookings@eynsham-pc.gov.uk for more information.

Dates for your Diary—Full Council Meetings:

Tuesday 21 January 7.30pm

Tuesday 18 February 7.30pm

Tuesday 18 March 7.30pm

All meetings are held at the Village Hall. Public attendance welcome, in person or online via a link within the agenda. Check the website.

A Note from the Chair



We are in the throes of an onslaught of petty vandalism and antisocial behaviour. Over the last couple of months the Parish Council has dealt with two break-ins at the Sports Pavilion, retrieved discarded bins and dog waste from the Fishponds, and cleared up broken glass in our children's play areas.

The cost of repairs and increased security now totals over £1000. Unfortunately, this is paid for by our residents via their council tax. With a limited budget, increasing spending to deal with crime results in us having to cut back on other things.

I fail to understand the mindset of those who carry out these acts. It makes me angry and sad to see areas of our village despoiled and dangerous. I am certain that this is a very small minority and that if we all work together we can help the police to deal with those involved.

If you witness vandalism, anti-social behaviour and/or crime taking place in our village then please report it to the police immediately. Take photos and videos if you can. Crimes can be reported online via [thamesvalley.police.uk](https://www.thamesvalley.police.uk), or by phone (101 for a non-emergency, 999 in an emergency).

It can feel daunting to report crimes given the fear of reprisal or threats. Be reassured that the names of those reporting are not revealed. And don't think you are 'wasting police time'—our local police are ready and eager to help us in these matters. Let's work with them and ensure these few, small-minded people are not allowed to spoil Eynsham.

It's been a busy year for many so I hope you all have a restful Christmas with your friends and family.

See you in 2025!

From the Clerk's Desk



Since joining the Council in July 2021 as a part-time Deputy Clerk, the Council has come a long way. As the workload increased, I became full time in April 2024—and what a rollercoaster the last seven months have been!

Our previous Clerk, Katherine Doughty, left the Council to progress to Town Clerk at Faringdon after seven years with Eynsham. As Deputy Clerk, I've been managing day-to-day operations since and will do so until January when, I am pleased to announce, our new Clerk Michelle Legg will join us.

Michelle leaves her role as Clerk to Wheatley Parish Council and has over 30 years' experience in the local government sector. We're excited about the expertise and fresh ideas she will bring to the Council.

We also bid farewell to Dan Sharp, who joined us two years ago as Maintenance Operative. Dan has taken up a full-time role in IT and we're thrilled to welcome Keith Powell as his replacement. I am sure many of you will know Keith—he's been living in the village for over 30 years with his wife.

The first phase of the refurbishment work at the Village Hall is complete, with LED lighting installed to replace a 21-year-old system. Next, we will refurbish the toilets and kitchen. We've also continued our upgrading work in our play areas and have started discussions to shape the Budget for the new financial year. April will be here before we know it!

As this is the last edition of 2024, the Parish Council would like to wish you and your families a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Richard Wilkins, Deputy Clerk

Meet a co-opted member: Mark Zumbhl



Mark is a co-opted member of the Planning Committee

Why were you interested in this position?

I was a Parish Councillor for several years but had to step down because of family caring commitments. The Council asked me if I would be co-opted as a member of the planning committee, as I'd been on that committee as a Councillor. The time requirement was more manageable; I was happy to be able to continue to contribute.

What do you enjoy about it?

Learning about what is happening around Eynsham and hearing the different views and ideas of residents, are the best part of it. Then, being able to contribute in some way to the ideas and responses that the Parish Council develops on behalf of Eynsham, so that the village can grow in a manageable way.

What do you like most about Eynsham?

The community. There is so much going on for not a huge place, and it all works at a sociable and personal level. Having lived in cities before coming here, the environment is just nice.

What would you say to someone considering co-option?

Go along and see how it works. If you think you can contribute, that's great!

Contact us to find out more via epc.comms@eynsham-pc.gov.uk

Around the village



Celebrating Rosemary Dennington—our oldest resident

by Jon Dennington

On 25 October 2024, Rosemary Dennington, a.k.a. Granny, enjoyed her 105th birthday at home in Eynsham, together with her whole family. Dave the postie delivered congratulations from King Charles III, as he had delivered congratulations from Queen Elizabeth II on Rosemary's 100th birthday.

Born in 1919, four months after the end of WWI, Rosemary spent her early years in London. During WWII, she worked in a hospital, before marrying Philip and having their first child, Elizabeth. At the end of the war, Philip contracted tuberculosis, and the family moved to the Isle of Wight, where they had two boys, Simon and Jon.

Rosemary first experienced Oxfordshire in 1971—the year the British pound was decimalised—when she and Philip moved to Summertown to manage a bank. Rosemary's son, Jon, married an Eynsham girl, Elaine (née Burden), and moved here in 1979. In that same year, Rosemary and Philip returned to the Isle of Wight, where Rosemary joined the WI and the Women's Royal Voluntary Service, working at Parkhurst Prison.

When Philip passed in 2001, Jon moved his mum to Eynsham. Rosemary was 82. She has flourished in the village, becoming a regular at the Co-op, Post Office and Market Garden. She is involved with other local businesses, too, and various local groups, including knitting for The Gatehouse.

Rosemary and her family would love to know if she is the oldest

resident in Eynsham! Please email editor@eynshamnews.org.uk or let the Dennington family know if you know there to be someone even older than Rosemary.

And remembering residents we have recently lost...

Liz Swan: Old Joe and the Cat Lady

by Celia Davies



Liz Swan (1932–2024), a long-term Eynsham resident, lived in a flat above what had once been the Railway Inn on the corner of Station Road and Acre End Street. She had a full, fascinating life, with many intriguing stories to tell.

Following an education at The Willows Grammar School in Morden, Surrey, Liz undertook nursing training at The Middlesex Hospital in London, in 1952–57, and then joined the Queen Alexandra Royal Army Nursing Corps. She was commissioned in the Army as a lieutenant, was later promoted to captain and, later still, became Major Swan.

Early in her career, Liz was posted to Nigeria and was there for the country's independence celebrations in 1960. Other postings included Singapore and Hong Kong, as well as around the UK. One highlight was escorting Princess Margaret on a ward round when the Princess visited the Queen Alexandra Military Hospital on London's Millbank in 1963. Another, very different, memorable occasion was when serving in the British Army of the Rhine. She had been posted to Berlin and found herself in Spandau Prison nursing Rudolf Hess, the infamous war criminal convicted at the Nuremberg Trials in 1946.

After her retirement from the Army, Liz came to live in Eynsham. She did some important work as a volunteer

for the Oxfordshire branch of the Red Cross. She also began taking courses at the Open University and at Oxford University Department for Continuing Education in a wide variety of subjects, including art history, literature, languages, philosophy and history.

Liz was a familiar sight, well into her 80s, walking down to the allotment she loved. She only gave it up most reluctantly when her health kept her away. Feeding the birds and tending flowers in a quiet spot outside her flat was a daily routine to the end.

Shortly before her death in July this year, Liz put together a story of two eccentrics: 'old Joe' and the 'Cat Lady' (Liz herself). You can read her illuminating tale on Eynsham Online here: bit.ly/liz-swan.



Sadly **Don Chapman**, a respected Eynsham resident and a former journalist for The Oxford Mail, died on 9th November. He and his wife Sue came to live here in 1970. After suffering with ME for some years he took early retirement in 1994.

Don was much involved in village life over the years; chairing the committee that organised our Silver Jubilee celebrations in 1977 and purchased the Bartholomew Room for the village. He was also a founder member of the Oxford & District Liberal Democrats and of the Eynsham Society.

His campaign about our toll-bridge led to quotes in the Wall Street Journal and television appearances across the US. His extensive history of the Oxford Playhouse was recognised by a doctorate from the University of Leicester. He also created other studies, 'Wearing the Trousers' (2008) and 'A Tenpenny Dip in Paradise' (2022).

He will be sadly missed.

Events Preview

A village festive trail

by Sarah Medina

We are so fortunate to have access to such a wonderful array of arts, crafts and artisanal produce in the village. This year, a map has been produced to showcase events and outlets in a festive trail from Thursday 28 November to Sunday 1 December.

- Eynsham Art Group Winter Exhibition, Bartholomew Room, 28 Nov-1 Dec, 10am-4pm; paintings, prints and cards from local artists
 - Christmas Tree Festival, St Leonard's Church, 29 Nov-1 Dec
 - Christmas Wine Tasting from Eynsham Cellars, The Music Room, 30 Nov, three 2-hour time slots starting at 2pm, 4:30pm or 7pm
 - Sustainable Christmas Arts and Crafts Fair, Mill Street Arts, 30 Nov-1 Dec, 10am-4:30pm; paintings, cards, wheel-thrown and handmade pottery & ceramics, jewelry, homeware, wooden spoons and bowls, leather goods and willow work, all by local artists and makers. Also, exquisite baked goods by Renata Swatek
 - The Old Forge Pottery Open Studio, Newland Street, 30 Nov-1 Dec, 10am-4:30pm; wheel-thrown and handmade pottery & ceramics
 - The Market Garden, open 7 days a week (Sat 29 Nov, 9am-5pm; Sun 1 Dec 10am-3pm); sustainable Christmas gifts, local and organic produce
 - Eynsham Cellars Independent Wine Merchant & Shop, open 7 days a week, 10am-8pm; including tastings and events
- Refreshments will be available over the long weekend from Cherry Tree Café, Lyall & Co and The Meet Point Coffee Stop.

Christmas at St Leonard's Church

29 November-1 December:

Christmas Tree Festival

Sunday 1 December, 4pm:

Christingle service

Sunday 8 December, 4pm:

Carols in the Square

Saturday 14 December, 5pm:

Christmas around the world

(in the Church Hall)

Sunday 22 December, 7pm:

Carols by candlelight

Christmas Eve, 5pm:

Crib Service; 11.30pm:

Midnight communion

Christmas Day: 8.30am:

Holy Communion; 10am:

All-age Christmas celebration

For more information, visit

stleonardseynsham.org.uk

St Leonard's Christmas Tree Festival

29 November-1 December 2024

Open: Friday 5-8pm; Saturday

10am-12pm (with pop-up café and children's activities); Sunday 5-8pm

The theme this year is 'O Holy Night'. There will be named Christmas trees around the church, each sponsored and decorated by a village group, school, uniformed organisation or somebody who just loves Christmas!

You will find a table at the back of the church to vote for the 'People's favourite tree', so please take a voting slip and write the name of your favourite tree on it. Each vote will be rewarded with a chocolate, and we would like you to add your chocolate wrapper to the 'Sweetie tree'.

The winning tree will be announced at our church services on Sunday 1 December. All donations made during the festival will go towards the Eynsham Food Bank, which provides for village members struggling in our current times.

Eynsham Baptist Church

Sunday 1 December: 10.30am

All-age family service: Who really is Gabe?; 3pm Songs of praise: carols and Advent hymns

Sunday 8 December: 10.30am

Introducing the real Mary: shock and scandal! 4pm Carols in the Square, by the Churches of Eynsham

Sunday 15 December: 10.30am The shepherds: why them? 3pm Messy church: messy Christmas

Sunday 22 December: 10.30am

Kings or magi? Wise or crazy?

6pm Carols by candlelight

Christmas Day: 10am Christmas

morning all-age family service:

The old man: not Santa, Simeon!

Sunday 29 December: 10.30 am

Jesus: surprisingly, the baby grew up!

St Peter's Catholic Church Christmas Eve Mass

Tuesday 24 December, 5pm and 8pm

Christmas Day Mass, 10am

Choral Society Christmas concert

Come along to the Eynsham

Choral Society (ECS) Christmas concert on Saturday 7 December at 7.30pm at St Leonard's Church.

The performance will focus on the shepherds at the nativity. We will sing some familiar music and also a lesser-known 20th-century piece by Ottorino Respighi for solo voices and mixed choir.

Ottorino Respighi (1879-1936) was a violinist and composer, most famously of orchestral tone poems, as well as operas and ballet music. We will perform his Laud to the Nativity, along with Vaughan Williams' Fantasia on Christmas Carols and Berlioz's The Shepherds' Farewell. We will also sing carols together with the audience.


Tickets are £15 each, including a programme. They are available in advance via our choir members, at the Evenlode DIY in Eynsham or by emailing eynshamchoral@gmail.com

If you'd like to try choral singing, from 7 January 2025, we will be rehearsing on Tuesdays. It's fun to sing with others and to build up to a performance! ECS welcomes people of all ages and from all walks of life, without audition. We are also committed to supporting young musicians who have yet to establish their careers, through solo singing and accompaniment.

For more information about ECS, go to eynshamchoral.org or find us on Eynsham Online (bit.ly/3YNAtxr).

Christmas lights

by Martin Flatman

Every year, our village Square is lit up with pretty, twinkly lights in the lead-up to Christmas, cheering us all up on dark evenings. We should be grateful to the parish councillors 

and friends who do this for us. They are volunteers so it costs us nothing, save the cost of the electricity. (see the calendar on page 15 - the lights on the Square are to be illuminated on 1 December).

It is also good to see the various images projected onto St Leonard's church tower by a floodlight hidden in the Bartholomew Room. Already this year, we have seen the image in support of Ukraine, as well as the Peace Dove and the Remembrance Day Poppies. But we all have a chance to brighten up our village with our own Christmas displays—and a few are spectacular. I am told one of the best can be found in Evans Road at the Spareacre Lane end, and there is a great multiple display at 10, 12, 14 and 22 Back Lane. Other suggestions are to have a look in at Falstaff Close and Stratford Road. We all have our favourites, of course, closer to where we live, so your intrepid reporter will tour the whole village and tell you in the next Eynsham News which he considers to be the best.

Carols in The Square

Sunday 8 December, 4pm

brought to you by the churches of Eynsham

Eynsham News, your news

Eynsham News is a bi-monthly community newsletter, delivered free to every household in the village. It would not exist without input from all kinds of people in the village. You are always welcome to get in touch with your ideas, news, views and events by email to editor@eynshamnews.org.uk If you don't have access to email, you can write to us with an old-fashioned pen and paper. Just label your envelope 'Eynsham News' and drop your submission off at Eynsham Library on Mill Street, either through the letterbox or to a member of the team, who will kindly pass it on to us. The deadline for our next edition is Sunday 12 January 2025.

Events Diary

See more at [Eynsham Online](https://eynsham.org.uk)

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eynsham.org.uk

Eynsham Arts Group

29 Nov-1 Dec, 10am-4pm in the Bartholomew Room. Affordable art for sale by local artists including paintings, prints, gifts, jewelry & cards

Eynsham Country Market

30 Nov, 9.30am-12pm
Long Hanborough, Recreation Hall

Christmas Craft Fair

30 Nov, 10am-4.30pm Mill Street Arts
Support local artists and craft makers and find personal handmade presents. Also, with Renata Swatek of 'Vanilla Passion'

Eynsham Community Choir— Songs & words for wintertime

30 Nov, 7.30-9:20pm,
St Leonard's Church

Bartholomew Players present
"Absent Friends" by Alan Ayckbourn
30 Nov, 7:30-9:45pm the Village Hall

Combe Mill Christmas Fayre

1 Dec, 11am-4pm
Free entry and car parking

Christingle Service

1st Dec, 4pm, St Leonard's Church
An informal service for the whole family. Following the service at about 5.15pm, the Christmas lights in the square will be lit!

A Hedge in Time

1 Dec, 10am-3pm, meet at Long Mead
Eynsham's Nature Recovery Network will be planting new hedge in Neyotts Meadow (which runs from Oxford Road to Eynsham Lock) and in the two Changeable Furlongs fields beyond. Bring a thermos and a picnic lunch, spades, secateurs and gloves.

The Evenlode Pub Quiz

1 Dec (and Sunday 5 January 2025)
7.30pm-10pm at The Evenlode Pub
£2pp (teams of 6 max.) Call 01865 882878 to reserve your table!

Eynsham Acoustic Club

1 Dec, 8-10.30pm at The Swan Hotel
Also on Sunday 5 January 2025

Jazz Night with Alvin Roy Quartet

2 Dec, 8-10.30pm at The Swan Hotel

Garden Club Christmas Party

4 Dec, 7-9.30pm, Village Hall

Rich's White Hart Pub Quiz

4 Dec, 8-10.30pm
at The White Hart, Newland St
Entry £2 pp, teams 6 max

Crib Service

Christmas Eve, 4 Dec, 5pm,
St. Leonard's Church.

Celebrate the Christmas story with the whole family. Come dressed up as your favourite nativity character to join in the fun!

Eynsham History Group

5 Dec, 7-9pm at St Leonard's Church Hall. Stephanie Dalley will speak about "The Hanging Gardens of Babylon". Visitors £3

Eynsham Country Market on

7 Dec, 9.30am-12pm, Eynsham Square

Eynsham Choral Society Concert

7 Dec, 7.30pm, St Leonard's Church
(See page 10 for more details)

Carols in the Square

8 Dec, 4-4.30pm, Market Square
Come and sing your favourite carols brought to you by the churches of Eynsham

Evenlode Pub Christmas Quiz

8 Dec, 7.30pm
Join our regular quizmaster, Jon Young, for a very special Evenlode Christmas quiz. Entry is just £2 per person, with teams of 6 players max. There are cash prizes up for grabs on the night. Reserve your team today!

Christmas around the World

14th Dec, 5-7pm, St Leonard's Church Hall. Come and experience Christmas from all over the world!
An event for the whole family to celebrate Eynsham's cultural diversity through food, craft, music and community. If you are able,

bring a dish from your home country and wear typical clothing.
For more information contact Rabea Meango: slpfamilies@gmail.com.

Evenlode Pub Christmas Bingo

15 Dec, 6.30pm. Grab your Christmas jumper and your sparkly dabber for a chance to win cash prizes at this festive game! Entry costs just £5 a booklet!

Eynsham Country Market on

Eynsham Square

19 Dec, 9am-10.30

Final market of the year

Eynsham Repair Cafe

11 Jan 2025, 2-4pm

The Scout Hall, Back Lane

Usually covering sewing, (creative) darning, small electrical repairs and tool sharpening, but check Eynsham Online or Facebook as we can often offer wood repairs and small bike repairs. Arrive early to avoid disappointment! Drinks and cakes are available while you wait

CPR Training

14 Jan, 7pm, at the Swan Hotel

Eynsham Rotary and Thames Valley Air Ambulance

18+ only, free but limited places

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Wedding Fair at

The Evenlode Pub

25 Jan 2025, 12-4pm

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Eynsham Country Market

6 Feb 2025, 9-10.30am

First market of 2025

Regular events—check online for changes over Christmas/New Year

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Bump to One

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Walkie Talkies

Mondays 10-11.30am (term time), St Leonard's Church Hall

Local playgroup led by volunteers from St Leonard's Church, who provide support to parents and young children. Suitable for 0-4's. Only £1.50 donation per family!

Eynsham Choral Society

Tuesday evenings at Eynsham Primary School. Details at eynshamchoral.org

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Eynsham Churches

Information

St Leonard's CofE

On the Market Square

Main Sunday event at 10.30am

Web: stleonardseynsham.org.uk

Church Administrator:

Louise Parker. Tel: 01865 883325

stleonards_stpeters@btconnect.com

The Church Hall can be booked

for events

Eynsham Baptist Church

Lombard Street, Eynsham, OX29 4HT

Main Sunday event at 10.30am

Web: eynshambaptistchurch.co.uk

Tel: 01865 882203

Email: eynsham.baptists@gmail.com

St Peter's Roman Catholic Church

Abbey Street, Eynsham OX29 4HR

Sunday Mass at 10am

Web: stpeterseynsham.org.uk

Tel: 01865 881613.

The 'Tolkien Room' is available for hire 01865 423655



Stop Press!

The Christmas lights on the Square will be going on soon after 5pm on Sunday 1 December, at the end of the Christingle Service at St Leonard's Church

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NB there is no health professional available, just the scales!

Are you a soup maker?

Would you like to join the group of Eynsham Soup Makers who provide soup for the Gatehouse in Oxford just once a year? We will collect our next contribution in February 2025.

For more info contact Christine Cox at christinedeborahcox@gmail.com

Or Margherita Pierini at margherita@pierini.co.uk

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