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November 2023

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I am very proud to say that my first time pass rate for learners is 80% - the national average is 47%

I have now started tuition for those wanting to learn how to tow a trailer. This is aimed at beginners or those that just need more confidence with manoeuvring/parking etc.

Tel: 07747 630 202

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Google Search: Searle School of Motoring

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Chat from the Clerk

The next **Childrey Parish Council Meeting** will be held on Monday 13th November 2023 starting at 7.30pm in Childrey Village Hall. clerk.childreypc@aol.co.uk
Childrey Parish Council would like to remind parishioners not to park on the edges of the corners of roads in the Village as it impairs visibility, making turning out of the side roads dangerous.

The next **Sparsholt Parish Council Meeting** will be held on Monday TBC December 2023 in Griffin Memorial Hall starting at 7.30pm. clerk.sparsholtpc@aol.co.uk
Please check the Childrey, Sparsholt and Westcot website or village notice boards for information.

[Childrey, Sparsholt & Westcot, Oxfordshire | A noticeboard for our villages \(childreyandsparsholt.org\)](http://Childrey, Sparsholt & Westcot, Oxfordshire | A noticeboard for our villages (childreyandsparsholt.org))

Clerk to both Parish Councils Debbie Lewis-Pryde 01235 751923.

Agendas will be posted on both the website and the Village notice boards. Both Parish Councils reserve the right to change the meeting dates, times and venues – please always check the notice board for correct information – Agendas are published three clear working days before each Parish Council meeting. Also Planning meetings will be inserted periodically to allow the Parish Council to discuss and respond before the VOWHDC deadlines and the Agenda will be published on the notice board three clear working days prior to the meeting. Planning applications can be viewed on the VOWHDC planning register. If you notice any potholes, overgrown footpaths or verges or any other Highways issues please report to the “fixmystreet” website. Highways respond quicker to the problems that have the most logs on their site and include photographs.

Please DO NOT wait for a parish Council meeting to report Highways issues.

Childrey and District Tuesday Club

I can't believe that it will be November by the time this newsletter is published, where has the year gone?

On 2nd Nov we have Jem Florist demonstrating flower arranging and on 28th is our Christmas shopping trip to Cardiff, please speak to Maureen if you haven't yet booked your seat.

We're really looking forward to 5th December when we have a return visit from Simply Singing 🎵 who will entertain us with carols and Christmas songs followed by one of Rose's buffet lunches, definitely not to be missed.

And of course our annual Christmas lunch at the Bear Hotel is on 12th, at 12 noon for 12.30, full details from Jenny.

Maureen Thomas 01235 751631
Jenny O'Hara 01235 772502

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The Fair is held in a beautiful 16th century barn 3 miles from Letcombe and we have got 30 fantastic stalls so that you can do all your Christmas shopping under one roof. Childrey Stores will be in residence providing refreshments all day and The Star Inn will be serving drinks and nibbles from 6pm.

Generously sponsored by Savills, proceeds will go towards our local Mencap's Glampervan Appeal. They are hoping to build a fully equipped shepherd's hut in the grounds of the Mencap centre to provide desperately needed respite care for children with learning disabilities. We will also be donating to Sparsholt Church's Restoration Appeal. Entry is free though we are very grateful for donations to our very worthwhile causes.

CHILDREY WELFARE TRUST

Are you struggling to pay your bills with the cost of living increase?

Childrey Welfare Trust may be able to help.

The Trust is a charity which aims to help inhabitants of the village in financial hardship.

To apply for help please contact Sarah Noviss on 751435 or email sarahnoviss@hotmail.co.uk.

All applications will be treated in complete confidentiality by the trustees.

More information about the Childrey Welfare Trust can be found on the village website.
www.childrey.org.uk.

NEWS FROM ST MARY'S

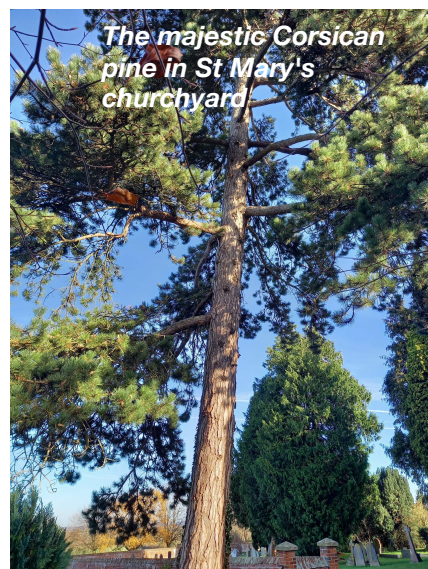
*For more details about any of the items in this news article, please talk to Linda or Paul – contact details below.**

Music in St Mary's

Sadly we had to postpone Mike Jones and the St James Singers' October Concert because of illness. It will be rearranged for a new date in the Spring and will still be in aid of The Christina Noble Foundation <https://www.cncf.org>. The Foundation provides education, healthcare and community development humanitarian services to vulnerable and destitute children and families in rural areas of Vietnam and Mongolia.

St Mary's Churchyard Trees – Update

Work on the trees is being commissioned for later in the Autumn and we still plan to run an **event in the churchyard** so people can discover the identify the various trees and also get to work removing some of the unwanted ivy from the trunks! Coffee and cake and some children's activities will be involved. Please contact Linda* if you are interested or want to know more. Dates and times will be posted on social media and put up on the village noticeboards.



Harvest Festival

The church looked splendid for our Harvest Celebration in September. The collection raised funds for the Farming Community Network and four bags of tinned and dried goods were delivered to the Wantage and Grove Foodbank. Thank you to Mel and the Village Choir for the music!

Save the Dates

The mince pies are in the shops as we go to press so it can't be too early to think about your Christmas plans! We're looking forward to Childrey's very own **Christmas Festival Weekend** from 8th - 10th December.

Outline Programme

Friday 8th December: Ridgeway School and Little Ducks decorate the Village Christmas Tree with a blessing by Revd Ness Bruner-Ellis

Saturday 9th December 2.30-6pm. Christmas Tree Festival in church

Sunday 10th December 10.30 Carols round the Tree

4pm Christingle in St Mary's

If your group or business would like to be part of the Christmas Tree Festival, don't hesitate to get in touch*. The more the merrier!

The Big Tearfund Quiz

If you like quizzes, don't miss the The Big Tearfund Quiz on **Saturday 18th November** 7 for 7.30pm in The Village Hall. Tickets are £10 each, including a light supper and are available from Sue Worth 07951 065141/email:jshkworth@gmail.com. Teams of no more than six please!

Church Services in Childrey

We have close relationship with the Methodist Church in our village and it was a very special afternoon last month when we shared their Anniversary Service, again with music from the Village Choir, and a welcome return to Childrey from Guy and Di Woodhouse and the band.

1 st Sunday 8.30am	Said Communion in St Mary's
2 nd Sunday 11am	Service in the Methodist Church
3 rd Sunday 10.15am	Communion with Hymns
4 th Sunday 11am	Service in the Methodist Church

Keep up to date with us on social media and look out for our posters.

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