



OTTERTON PARISH NEWS

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SERVICES FOR NOVEMBER			
<u>SUNDAY 3rd NOVEMBER</u>			
9.30 am	Holy Communion	CW	East Budleigh
11.00 am	Morning Prayer		Otterton
<u>SUNDAY 10th NOVEMBER – Remembrance Sunday</u>			
9.30 am	Holy Communion	CW	East Budleigh
11.00 am	Remembrance Service		East Budleigh
11.00 am	Remembrance Service		Otterton
<u>SUNDAY 17th NOVEMBER</u>			
9.30 am	Holy Communion	CW	East Budleigh
11.00 am	Holy Communion	CW	Otterton
<u>SUNDAY 24th NOVEMBER</u>			
9.30 am	Holy Communion	CW	East Budleigh
11.00 am	Holy Communion	CW	Otterton
<u>SUNDAY 1st DECEMBER</u>			
9.30 am	Holy Communion	CW	East Budleigh
11.00 am	Morning Prayer		Otterton
Morning Prayer will be said at 9.30am at East Budleigh on Tuesdays and at Otterton on Thursdays			

BONFIRE AND FIREWORKS NIGHT

Saturday 2nd November

Stantyway Farm, Otterton EX9 7JJ

BBQ and refreshments available - gates open at 6pm - tickets £5 per person

If anyone is able to lend a hand on the night please get in touch with us.

Tel: 01395 568326 or email: adminotterton@thelink.academy



Dear friends,

November is remarkable for having remembrance at its core. The 10th is Remembrance Sunday of course, when all people killed in war are remembered, and the 1st is All Souls Day when all our dear departed ones are remembered. If you add into this that every Christian communion service is done “in remembrance of me” then remembrance is an important Christian, nay human concept.

Why do we remember anyone at any time? Surely it can't be for the sole reason of remembering for its own sake?

No, we remember so that it has an effect on us, perhaps to change us.

Remembering the war dead might make us less likely to rush headlong into war at the slightest reason.

Remembering our dear departed ones might conceivably lead us to contemplate our own lives and change how we live them, or to prompt us to contact other members of our family before it's too late.

Remembering the sacrifice of Jesus might empower us with the knowledge of the depth of God's love for us. It might make us sorry for doing the things we know we shouldn't have. It could strengthen us to face life's difficulties head on, knowing we have someone battling for us.

The word we use for remembrance in the original Greek carries the meaning of “to make present”. When we remember the war dead, we make present their pain, death and sacrifice and remember also the benefits their sacrifice won for us.

When we remember our departed loved ones, we make present their personalities, hopes, dreams, our relationship with each other and how they added value to our lives.

When we remember the sacrifice of Jesus, we make present his pain, death sacrifice and love and remember the healing he wrought for us.

Through remembering and making present, we hope to be changed.

Martin

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COUNTY COUNCIL

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DISTRICT COUNCIL

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OTTERTON C of E PRIMARY SCHOOL

As we near the end of the first half of Autumn term, as usual the children have been very busy at school and are now ready for a week off! A big thank you to Nicky and Angela Marshall for providing a wonderful singing club for our KS2 children. They put on a fantastic mini concert this week and the children sang beautifully. After half term Nicky will be working with the children to prepare for the Carol Concert in Church on 22nd December.

Otterton CofE Primary School fully embraced the JUST ONE Tree day. JUST ONE Tree is a non-profit initiative removing CO2 from the atmosphere and reversing biodiversity loss through global reforestation. They plant trees in areas severely affected by deforestation to maximise the effect on reducing global warming. In the process they help to provide agricultural education and sustainable incomes to local communities. Our pupils had a non-uniform day and each donated £1 to the cause. The ethos group came up with some fantastic activities for the children to take part in, which really incorporated our school vision of Growing Stronger Together. They started the day by throwing their money onto the tree. We then had a whole school challenge - can we draw 303 trees in 3 minutes and 3 seconds? Yes we can! Well done all.

Inspired by their literacy text about a seagull eating plastic, the children in Otters class braved the weather to do a beach clean with the help of Budleigh Salterton Lions Club. The children were pleased to find less litter than their previous beach clean but were still unhappy about the amount they collected.

Love my school day – wow, what a productive day we had at this event. Thank you to everyone who came along to help with some school improvements. We will be looking to hold another event in the Spring term; everyone is welcome to come along and lend a hand if you would like to.

Please contact the school office with any enquiries on 01395 568326 or email adminotterton@thelink.academy

OTTERTON COMMUNITY SHOP

On 1st December 2024 it will be our **10th Birthday!**

Thank you for your continuing support.

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Sadly, the Horse Chestnut on the Village Green has come to the end of its useful life. Over the next week or so Toby Taylor will be delivering flyers to the residents of The Green and adjacent properties explaining how the tree is to be felled and work will start soon after. If you have any concerns or queries, please address them in the first instance to the Clerk

Clerk@otterton.info or Cllr Ian Simpson.

To pick up on some of the smaller but necessary jobs in the village, the OPC is keen to get together a 'Love my Village Team' - anyone with any practical or fundraising skills would be most welcome and those with enthusiasm and a sense of humour would be very much appreciated. If you think you could help, please get in touch with the Clerk so a list of actions can be agreed upon. Many thanks.

The OPC also continues to seek anyone interested in quoting for the grass cutting contract in the village. The areas to be cut are The Green, Cemetery, Jubilee Playpark and Stantyway Recreation field. For further details please contact the clerk asap as an appointment must be made shortly.

The next Council meeting will be held on **4th November** at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. Everyone welcome.

**Francesca Mills, Clerk to Otterton Parish Council; Sandycross Farmhouse, Yettington, Budleigh Salterton EX9 7BW
mobile: 07880 331465; email: clerk@otterton.info; website: www.otterton.info**

OTTERTON LADIES' COFFEE MORNING – 11am Monday 4th November

A chance to make new friends or catch up with old ones. All welcome.

OTTERTON VILLAGE HALL (from Julia Bove, Secretary)

No report this month.

OTTERTON MILL

News - Our Gallery is filling up with festive gifts and our Farm Shops at the Mill and Powderham have an abundance of tasty festive treats to tantalize the taste buds. Our delicious Otterton Mill mince pies will be available from 30th November for one month only.

Music - we are busy putting together our 2025 summer line-up, details to follow on our website

Milling - 24th - Our grist of millers is here to delight and entertain you with a show of traditional milling; happy to answer any questions, 11-12.30 and 2-3; entry is free. (Please note the milling on the 10th will be a maintenance day only)

OTTERTON EVENTS COMMITTEE

Preparations for the Reindeer Run are progressing well and entries can be made on line at <https://reindeerrun.eventrac.co.uk/e/otterton-reindeer-run-12239> We are hoping it will be a great day with even more entries than last year. The **play park fund** is very healthy and we are hoping to secure Section 106 Local Government funding of up to £8,000, to be spent on the football pitch at the park. Any ideas or offers of help with work - please call 07855 774436 or speak to any of the committee.

THE KINGS'S ARMS – from Freddie and The King's Arms Team

November 2024 – We are delighted to announce that the loyalty cards are coming back. For those that remember last year, we're going to be giving out cards which we'll stamp, and for every card completed, you'll get a FREE drink on us! This will run from 1st November through to 24th December so plenty of time to get through those cards. Cards will apply to any draught lager/beer/cider, wine, pints of soft drink or bottled soft drinks.

We can't wait to see everyone saving up their cards to have a night on us like last year!

QUIZ NIGHTS: 30th October (Halloween special!) and 20th November. Save those dates!

MUSIC BINGO: Friday 25th October and Friday 29th November.

CHRISTMAS PARTIES – Book your Christmas Party with us now! We're doing 2 courses for £30 and 3 courses for £38. Pop in for a menu or visit us online. All bookings include a free glass of prosecco or Bucks Fizz on arrival.

We also have a shiny new winter menu coming in November; Taiyla has worked really hard putting together some hearty, seasonal favourites for you all to enjoy so please do come and try them.

Christmas is coming, as my board has said since the summer; it's sooner than you think! Stay tuned next month for all the seasonal festivities we're going to be running here at The Kings.

THE LOOKOUT FROM LADRAM

As our season draws to a close, we are pleased to be offering our **Winter Pool Membership** scheme again – full details can be found on our website.

OTTERTON FILM CLUB

The Club regrets that it is not in a position to offer a season of films this winter. Attempts to replace active members of the Committee have thus far been fruitless. The Club will however remain in existence and it is hoped that keen film fans will come forward with a view to assisting a re-start in 2025/26. Expressions of interest please to ottertonfilmclub@gmail.com



OTTERTON RELIEF IN NEED CHARITY (ORINC) provides financial relief to residents of the Parish of Otterton in need, hardship, or distress through situations such as loss of income or domestic crises.

We can respond very quickly when approached for help so don't hesitate to contact us if you are in a financial crisis.

Types of help given include payment of essential bills, rent, electricity, supply of logs, help for children at Christmas and other living expenses. If you need help, contact us via our website <https://www.orinc.org.uk/> or email us at orin.charity@gmail.com Paper copies of the application form are also available in the Village Hall foyer and in the church. Applications can be posted in the private ORINC post box in the Village Hall foyer. The post box is checked weekly and applications responded to as soon as possible.

ALL APPLICATIONS ARE DEALT WITH IN COMPLETE CONFIDENCE.

If you are interested in donating to support the work of ORINC, please email us at the address above.

JUMBLE SALE

The Former Little Otters are holding a fundraising jumble sale at East Budleigh Village Hall on **Saturday 9th November** in support of Gateway Sidmouth.

Donations of jumble would be gratefully received at the Hall from 9.00am on 9th November but if you have difficulty in getting there and need a collection, please call Fran on 07880 331465. Entry £1 refreshments available.

POLICE – Exmouth Neighbourhood Team: Mark.Edwards2@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk

Emergency 999; General Enquiries number 101; exmouth@devonandcornwall.pnn.police.uk; <http://www.ukcrimestats.com/>

TAXI SERVICE: Available for local and long-distance journeys, including airport runs. For more information, please contact Barry on 07925 933100.

Entries for Otterton Parish News should be sent to **Jill Beacham** - email: jill@beacham.co.uk - 01395 446433

PLEASE NOTE - Deadline for December edition is Monday 18th November latest.