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## **Pamber Heath Memorial Hall Newsletter**



We have finally reached February and the shoots of spring will be seen soon. The picture above shows the lovely daffodils that pop up every year outside the hall. This year promises to be an exciting one for the hall with lots of changes ahead.

Inside you will find information about our next event 'Out of the Shadows' to be held on 18th March. Unfortunately, our booking clerk Sophie Ward has stepped down due to other work commitments. We thank her for all her hard work and wish her well for the future. There are more details inside about the vacancy. We are also always looking for volunteers to join the committee so please get in touch if you are interested or would just like to help at the odd event. Any time you can spare is so appreciated and helps to keep this important community asset going.

### **Hall Committee update**

We are very pleased to announce that after the two public consultation events and parish survey the Parish Council voted to go ahead and obtain a loan to fund the refurbishment of the hall. We are very excited that it looks as though building work will start in the next few months. There will obviously be some disruption at times during the building work but we will try to keep it to a minimum and will do everything we can to keep all clubs and private hires running as much as possible. To see the plans please go to our website page <https://phmemorialhall.co.uk/Hall-Improvements/> Thank you to everyone who attended and helped at our Christmas Market in November. It was well attended with a lovely Christmassy atmosphere and the event raised over £766.54 which will be used towards the running costs of the hall. We hope those of you who attended the Christmas Carol evening enjoyed yourselves. It certainly got us into the Christmas spirit and raised £306.14

The Indoor Car boot sale held on 29th January was also successful raising over £145. We are pleased to announce that we have booked 'Out of the Shadows' to perform a 60s night on 18th March. 7.30pm start. More details to follow about how to book tickets etc.

In the short term, Jenny Marshall will be carrying out the booking clerk role on a part time basis. To book the hall please either email [pmhbookingclerk@gmail.com](mailto:pmhbookingclerk@gmail.com) or phone 07871 459960 and Jenny will get back to you as soon as she can.

### **Online Shopping Donations**

If you do some of your shopping online you could be raising money for the hall at the same time by signing up to Easy Fundraising

<https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/pamberheathmemorialhall/>

Please support our lottery!! Our supporters have purchased 40 tickets so far, this provides the Hall with around £105 per month, it only costs £1 per ticket and there are some fabulous prizes. Go to [bandcommunitylottery.co.uk](http://bandcommunitylottery.co.uk) and search for Pamber Heath Memorial Hall

### **Booking Clerk Vacancy**

We are currently seeking to appoint a booking clerk. The position is paid, part time (as and when) and would suit an IT literate person. For further information, please contact the chair, Alan Marshall, on 07925 533220.

# Sounds of the 60s ! Out of the Shadows

Pamber Heath Memorial Hall  
18th March 7.30pm £10 a ticket

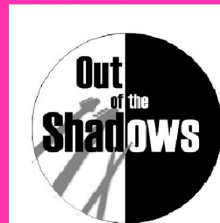
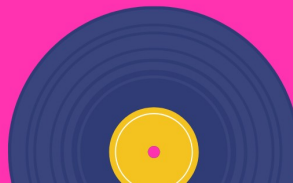
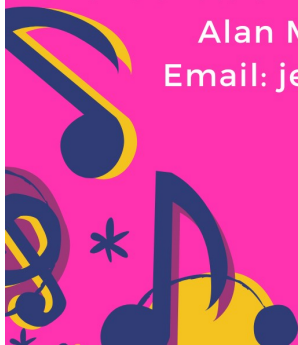
Bring your own food and drink.

*Live  
music*



*Raffle*

Get your tickets early for this popular event !  
For tickets and/or more info, pls contact Jenny &  
Alan Marshall: Tel: 01189 700477  
Email: [jennymarshall2@hotmail.com](mailto:jennymarshall2@hotmail.com)



## Pamber Parish Council



The recent public consultation on refurbishing and extending the Memorial Hall resulted in a strong, positive preference to go ahead and the Council have now applied for a Public Works Board loan to finance the project. Further news on progress will be on our website. Thank you to those who responded to our call for Speedwatch volunteers. We now have sufficient people to once again mount our roadside speed monitoring and you can expect to see them throughout the Parish once training has been completed. Further volunteers are always welcome, if you are interested in helping to reduce speeding in your local area then please contact the Clerk.

We are considering setting up an email list to provide residents throughout the Parish with details of our meeting agendas and other major events/news. If you would like to join this list please contact the Clerk or any of the Councillors.

Pamber Parish Council Meetings are held at 7.30pm at either St Stephen's Hall, Little London or Pamber Heath Memorial Hall alternatively on 2nd Monday of each month.

Keep up to date with events via the Council website or our Facebook and social media accounts.

[www.pamber-pc.gov.uk](http://www.pamber-pc.gov.uk) email: [clerk@pamber-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@pamber-pc.gov.uk)

## Pamber Heath Allotments

Allotments are available at Pamber Park for a small annual rental. Please contact Maurice Biggs on 0118 9811438 for more information.





**NeighbourCare** 

**Car Transport**  
**01256 423855**

**Befriending**  
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[www.neighbourcare.com](http://www.neighbourcare.com)

**Befriending**—Helping to combat loneliness in those who are housebound and living on their own. We match people up with our volunteer Befrienders, who then provide a regular weekly visit for a chat over a cuppa. For more information call 01256 423 857

**Car Transport**—We provide car transport to doctor, hospital or other medical appointments. As well as to the shops, clubs and more. We suggest a donation for the trip and accept HCC travel vouchers as well. For more information call 01256 423855

NeighbourCare Registered Charity Number :1154382

Do you enjoy driving and have a few hours to spare ? We are looking for volunteers who can provide car transport to those needing to: Get to medical appointments, pick up some shopping, go to a social event such as a lunch club, in and around the Basingstoke area.

This is a vital service for older people who can no longer access public transport.

This helps keep people connected, making them feel part of the wider community and reduces social isolation.



**WE'RE LOOKING FOR THE BEST KIND OF PEOPLE: VOLUNTEERS.**

WE ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEER CAR DRIVERS. FOR MORE INFORMATION TAKE A LOOK AT OUR WEBSITE [WWW.NEIGHBOURCARE.COM](http://WWW.NEIGHBOURCARE.COM)

## News from St Luke's Church

Happy new year to you all.

It may be cold outside but a warm welcome awaits you when you visit our, Friday Baby and Toddler Group, Thursday Coffee Morning and Wednesday Communion Service



Our Baby and Toddler Group runs on Friday 10-11.30 term time only at St Luke's Church, Church Road, Pamber Heath. We welcome all parents/carers, grandparents and children from 0-4 years. Our team of 5 run the group as a place for toddlers to mix, sing, craft, play and for mums, dads and carers to meet, with refreshments provided for parents/carers. Donations are welcome but there is no pressure on people to donate. Our wish is to provide somewhere for people to meet with their children and feel relaxed and nurtured.

We have a variety of toys and activities for the 0's to 4's. Every week we have a theme and I think the our team have as much fun as the children as we dream up activities to fit with our themes. We have a Tuff tray – do you know what that is? I'm afraid I didn't but I have learnt. A tuff tray is a heavy-duty, octagonal plastic builder mixing tray sitting on a stand, raising it off the ground. Ours has held rice, cereals, straw, playdough and many other messy activities.

We have a time when we sit down together and have a story and sing some songs – we love it when children bring new songs. A new song to me, which has become a firm favourite, is 'I had a little turtle, his name was Tiny Tim' – you'll have to come along to find out what happened to Tiny Tim! We love welcoming the children and their carers and hope that you will feel able to come and meet us and enjoy time with your children and us.

The Thursday Coffee Morning is another very warm and welcoming place where tea, coffee and biscuits are served and where you'll find many friendly people to meet and chat with. We meet every Thursday from 10 – 11.30. We enjoyed a wonderful Christmas party in the Pamber Heath Village Hall and were royally entertained by the Tadley Ukulele Group and fed amazing food prepared by Judy. If you are new to the village, recently retired or just want to meet up with local people, do come and join us.

Our church is used for a Communion Service every Wednesday morning at 10:00am but our belief is that God welcomes us 24/7 wherever we are and it is so good for us to be able to welcome people into the church with love and warmth so that they can enjoy time with each other.

We have had our crib lit in the churchyard since Christmas but on 2nd February we will turn off the lights and put away the figures until next Christmas. Then we turn our thoughts to Lent and Easter when we remember how Jesus died a criminal's death after living a life full of love and care BUT he came alive again on the first Easter Sunday and is still alive. It is in his name, for him that we welcome you to our church – whether you come for private prayer or to join in our activities.

We enjoy being part of the Pamber Heath Village Community and I very much enjoyed going to the Christmas fair. We are so fortunate to have a Village Hall Committee who do so much for our village. Thank you!



I could go on but I won't – I'm sure the editor would have to work hard! I have tried this time to give you an idea of our three main activities during the week but please feel free to call any time if you think I could help. Details of all our Easter services will be on the parish website: [www.stpaulstadley.org.uk](http://www.stpaulstadley.org.uk)

With my love  
Cathy Pynn (Revd)

### Impstone & Cherry Trees Preschools



What an amazing and busy Autumn term we had!

We had so much fun enjoying our garden and outside classroom, as well as being able to go back and visit the residents of Bethany Care Home every week:) Was so nice to see everyone again and to meet their wonderful parrots whom the children watched in awe as they flew round the room and even talked to them! We had a wonderful time celebrating all to do with Christmas throughout December, finishing the term with our annual Carol event with all our children and their families, where we were able to bring back the infamous 'Bake Off' challenge as well as a visit from Father Christmas himself with a special gift for all the children.

Our Makaton signing is improving every week with new signs being learned based on our weekly topics and the children have been experiencing lots of different events from around the world. So far, our Spring term fun has included Burns Night (they weren't quite so keen on tasting the haggis!) and Chinese New Year, however I think a firm favourite had to be Winnie the Pooh Day where the children made honey sandwiches:) Half term is fast approaching and we're already looking to Valentines Day and Mothers Day, before we get on to our Easter events too!

And somewhere in the middle of all this, the biggest adventure we are about to embark on is with the renovations to the hall! Whilst we may have some disruption during our sessions at some point, we know the children will love seeing the machinery and men with hard hats around the building, I'm just hoping they bring some small enough for all of the children who will want to be building along with them!

## Contacts

**Impstone Preschool** Amanda Davies 07733 898914  
<https://www.impstoneandcherrytreespreschools.co.uk/>  
Monday to Friday 9am until 2.45pm

**Short Mat Bowls** Maggie Branston the.branstons@gmail.com  
Monday 6:45pm-9:45pm ,Wednesdays 1:45pm-4:45pm.

**Pilates** Salli 07754 879469 info@workout2music.co.uk  
Wednesdays 6pm – 6.45pm

**Ballroom Dancing** Kerry Pretty 07979 850786 Wednesday 7-8pm and 8-9pm

**K9 Planet** Zoe Bradbrook 07815 0580321 zoe@k9planet.co.uk  
Thursday 5pm - 8pm

**Deft Fingers** Tony & Mary Middleton 0118 9700754 Friday 1.30-4pm

**Circuit Style Exercise** Joe Sidey 07760 558749 Sunday 4.15to 5.15pm

**Taekwon-do** Jason Cooper 07770 882315  
jason1cooper@btinternet.com Friday 7pm—8pm

**Tadley Youth Running Club** Kate Robson and Karl Norfolk  
07800 733060 youth@tadleyrunners.co.uk Tuesday 6pm –7pm

**For General Hire please contact the booking clerk on  
07871 459960 or email pmhbookingclerk@gmail.com**

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