

Forthcoming Events

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Saturday 14th March at 7.30pm

After the great success of our last event we have decided to broaden the range of music to entice even more of you to come along and 'strut your stuff'!

Tickets £5 : Pauline – 0118 9700909
Jenny – 0118 9700477

Bring your own drink and nibbles

Jumble Sale

Saturday 28th March 2pm 30p entrance

Bring your quality jumble in the morning then come along to buy in the afternoon.

No large items of furniture please

Family Fun Day

**Saturday 11th July
12 – 4pm**

Plans are now underway for this year's Family Fun Day. We are arranging our arena events so if you are a member of a group and would like to show your talent or are able to be one of our arena displays or demonstrations please contact us to discuss this.

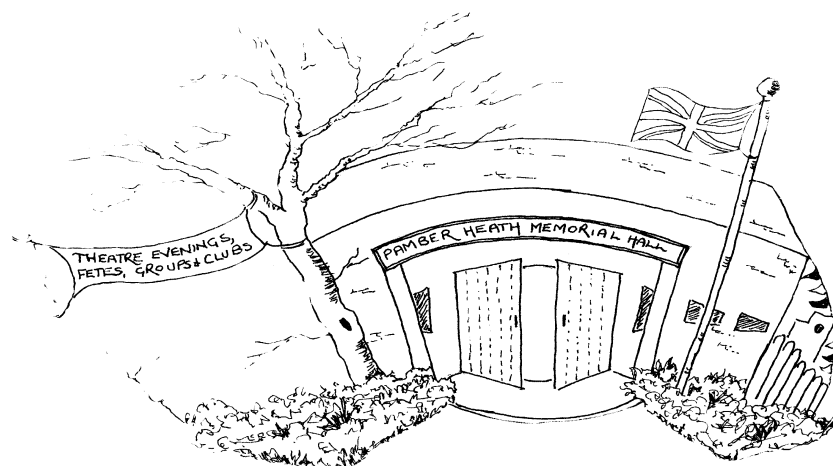
Alternatively, if you have a craft you'd like to show or sell and would like to book a table please contact:

jennymarshall2@hotmail.com

Tel: 0118 9700477

Anyone wishing to advertise their business in our brochure can also contact the above number for further details

Pamber Heath Memorial Hall



Thank you

A big thank you to all the helpers at, and donators to, the jumble sale back in October. We made a grand total of £580.37!

This is an amazing amount and we say a special thank you to Deirdre Kendrew for organising this.

The Carol Concert in December was once again a wonderful gathering and celebration. Our thanks go to Paul Chapman and the Tadley Concert Brass Band, Tadley School Choir, Taff and the Ukulele group who, this year, were joined by a few members from Tadley school, Ann Broad and Rev Cathy Pynn. Of course we say thank you also to Adam Clark for being our compere and keeping us on track with the Carols and acts and to all of you who came along on the evening.

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The Hall and meeting room are available for hire at an hourly rate or half / full day. Ideal for parties and weddings. Hire it for the whole weekend! Contact Joe Sidey on 07760 558749 for details

Impstone Preschool	Mon, Tues & Thurs 9.15 – 2.45 Wed & Fri 9.15 -12.15 + lunch club	Amanda Davies 07733 898914 www.impstonepreschool.co.uk
Short Mat Bowls	Mon: 7 – 9.45pm Weds: 1.45 – 4.30pm	Mary Middleton 0118 9700754
Wu Shu Kwan	Tues: 7 - 9pm	Dave Carver info@wushukwan.com
Pilates	Weds: 6 – 6.45 pm	Salli 07754 879469 info@workout2music.co.uk
Ballroom Dancing	Weds: Beginners 7pm Improvers 8pm	Kerry Pretty: 07979 850786
K9 Planet Dog Training	Thurs: 7 – 9pm	Zoe Bradbrook 0118 9700068 07815 058032 zoe@k9planet.co.uk
Deft Fingers (Art & Crafts)	Fri: 1 – 4pm	Tony & Mary Middleton 0118 9700754
Circuit Style Exercise	Sun: 6.30 – 8pm	Joe Sidey 0118 9701269 07760 558749
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Poker	1 st & 3 rd Fri: 3 – 5pm	Danny Daniels 0118 9812692 dannyd975@hotmail.com
Play Reading	3 rd Tues: 3.15 –4.30pm	Marjorie Wilson 0118 9815201 tanddu3a@gmail.com
Photography & Photoshop	4 th Weds: 4 – 6pm	Mike Cassidy 0118 9815201
Wine Appreciation		Tony Pounds 0118 9815201 calpounds@supanet.com

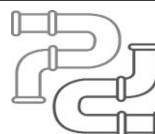
Pamber Neighbourhood Plan update.

As part of the data collection for the Pamber Neighbourhood Plan a questionnaire is to be completed by each group or club using Pamber Heath Memorial Hall.

There will also be visits to the local schools to obtain views on how young people view where they live.

These surveys are in addition to the household questionnaire which went to every house in Pamber, together with a survey of businesses in the Parish, in November last year. These results are currently being analysed.

Once all the surveys have been concluded the results will inform the development of policies which comprise the essence of the plan. This in turn will be subject of a referendum put to residents for their acceptance as the final stage in the plans



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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. See the local notice boards for venue or phone: 'The Parish Clerk' – Leonie Browne: 07920 787170 clerk@pamber-pc.gov.uk

Allotments are available at Pamber Park for a small annual rental. Contact Maurice Biggs on 0118 9811438

The Village of Pamber Heath

It has an excellent village hall committee who organise various events and this year, as with previous years, we had a fantastic concert with the Tadley Concert Brass band leading us with their music.

Tadley school gave us a brilliant performance and Ann Broad spoke of one Christmas in school when children wrote to Father Christmas and received replies. I had a part and included a challenge to add up the prices of the items in the twelve days of Christmas as costed in 1998 with a further challenge to what the cost would be in 2019.

Some people made very accurate guesses!

The Pelican - the pub in the village

We had a Pub Gathering at the Pelican in October and in November when we celebrated the arrival of the new chef.

We have enjoyed delicious cold buffets for the past few months but on the 30th November, 21 of us tried the new menu.

The meals were mouth-watering and Aaron has also put on a Pensioners' menu with smaller portions at a cheaper price.

I had a Pensioner's meal and it was plenty large enough for me.

The menu has both Thai and English cuisine and is thoroughly recommended

Young people in Pamber Heath and their leaders!

I have had the opportunity to visit the Cubs and Brownies in the Den, enjoying fireballs with the Cubs and seeing the Brownies (totally unrecognisable in their wonderful Halloween costumes) and again thinking about Remembrance Day.

Their knowledge, interest and commitment to the future is inspiring.

The Beavers came to St Luke's and we had a wonderful time sharing thoughts and then doing a quiz which needed them to discover more about the church - they had 21 items, artefacts and other things around the church. They split up into 3 teams and completed the quiz in 10 minutes. Their powers of observation are amazing.

Then later on I was able to visit the Beavers in the Den as they acted out the Christmas story. With humour, and with real meaning and understanding, they performed the Nativity service whilst the story was being read. It was fun and very moving as well.

Our Toddler group is so lucky to have a dedicated team of 7 helpers. We have a story, singing, craft and of course snacks - fruit and healthy snacks for the children and cake and coffee for the adults

Our theme last half term had been thinking about the animals who were important at the time of Jesus birth and we had a board with a camel, a sheep and a rainbow coloured donkey - a wonderful idea and, for me, continued the rainbow theme of hope which was our last thought for Noah's story.

The term ended with a party, then a story of the nativity brought to its concluding part on the 24th December with our crib service. A wonderful time was had by all.

Perhaps though one of the most important parts is the opportunity to share and chat - there is a real care between us all.

Everyone is welcome - parents, carers and children.

I have been able to visit Impstone Pre-school and again, really enjoyed meeting some of our youngsters.

We made Christingles which reminded us of Jesus love and generosity to us.

Children always have their own take on things and I had to smile when one little chap lifted up his Christingle and told me it was Spiderman. After discussing it, he was not going to move from his view, we agreed on Spider man called Christingle!

Impstone visited us in Church for Christmas when we remembered the love that compelled God to send his son into the world to show us his vision for humanity.

The children came up to St Luke's for an afternoon session when we talked about the Nativity and did a 'pass the parcel' with the different parts of the nativity scene.

Having talked about it with the aid of the Toddlers' collage, they were completely on the ball as to who ought to be there.

Decorating biscuits for snacks completed the afternoon and a final bonus was the way in which everyone - children and Impstone leaders - helped to clear away.

Thank you to the Impstone team - you are always so welcoming and the children are such a delight and inspiration to be with.

Coffee Morning

Rita Ridout, who has been organising our coffee mornings for well over 20 years hung up her teapots on the 12th December. She will be very much an ongoing source of inspiration and help by having time to sit and chat with people instead of having to worry about the organisation aspect.

The coffee morning was started by Wendy Alder and then when she started training to be a Reader, Rita took over, although Wendy has very much been a very important part of the coffee morning ever since, making sure that everyone is made to feel welcome

Social Services recommend it so we are always welcoming new people - people new to the village or maybe newly bereaved or just in need of some coffee and cake in a very warm and friendly environment.

It has, and I hope, will continue to be a place where people can relax and chat and share both joys and troubles over a cup of tea or coffee and, of course, a piece of cake or biscuit.

Services

We have a communion service on Wed morning at 10:00 and an Evening Community gathering at 6:00pm on Sundays. Both of these are congregations drawn from the Tadley/Pamber Heath parish and other parishes. Both are times to worship God together with others whom we may not meet on Sundays and give us a chance to celebrate God's love and care in the area. Our Sunday morning Communion services at 10:00am on the second and fourth Sundays are times for gathering and worshipping together in the village at a time when people expect services to happen.

But perhaps the message we like to give from St Luke's is that worship happens every day and is celebrated in many different ways.

Easter

We are already thinking about Easter and the Brownies will be helping with the Easter Garden at St Luke's. I am thinking of having an Easter egg competition to see who can think of the most original idea for an Easter egg. Watch this space.

John and I love being in the village and are very grateful to all who make it such a lovely place to live and that includes Raj and Baj who run our shop. We are very lucky

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News from St Luke's