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## SUMMER MARKET

Sunday 6th July  
1.30pm to 4.30pm  
PAMBER HEATH MEMORIAL HALL

**FREE ENTRY**

RAFFLE – TOP PRIZE £100  
CRAFT STALLS  
SILENT AUCTION  
TEA AND CAKE  
TOMBOLA  
BRIC-A-BRAC



To book a stall please email  
[jennymarshall2@hotmail.com](mailto:jennymarshall2@hotmail.com)

**More details and raffle tickets inside !**

## Hall Committee Report



It's nearly time for our Summer Market and this year I've put in a request for good weather! We are currently in the throes of selling raffle tickets and we are seeking local businesses who might be able to donate prizes to our Silent Auction, or our raffle. If you run a local business and can help, please get in touch with Jenny Marshall. Her contact details are below. First prize in the raffle is £100 so it's well worth taking a gamble. Tickets are included with this newsletter. Last year, a number of local businesses were very generous in donating prizes. We are grateful for their support with our fundraising.

Our most exciting recent news is that we have appointed a Hall Business Manager, an expansion of our Booking Clerk role. Adam Clark will manage our bookings from now on but will also help us with marketing and event organising to help improve our fund raising and community reach. You may have come across him at one of the fitness classes he runs at the Hall or seen him compering our annual Christmas Carol Concert. Adam is a Pamber Heath resident and has been a champion of the Hall for many years. We are delighted to welcome him to our team. We've also got a new maintenance engineer, Andy Johnson, who, as a serving and retained local firefighter, with a background in maintenance, is regularly checking our fire safety compliance, and undertaking the upkeep of the hall and grounds. Again, welcome, Andy.

Work progresses on improvements to the hall, with developments to the lighting, sound system, accessibility for the hard of hearing, better acoustics in the halls and some improvements to the outside space all in the pipeline. The tennis courts have been tidied up and are available for anyone to use at no charge. With Wimbledon approaching, it usually inspires tennis lovers to get their rackets and start channeling their inner Andy Murray.

We are extremely grateful to the Parish Council for their help with the soldier silhouettes on the facing wall of the hall by the main entrance. They were displayed in time for the recent VE Day

commemorations, and they will now stay permanently in this position. As our hall title suggests, the Hall is dedicated to the remembrance of those who served this country in conflicts around the world, and it is very fitting that we mark their service and sacrifice. The actual names of the fallen are recorded on commemoration boards inside the large hall.

Finally, there is our usual plea for anyone who feels they can contribute to the work of the hall. Get in touch to be a friend, a committee member or give us your ideas of what events and clubs you would like to see at the hall. The Hall is your community asset and we want you to enjoy the leisure, educational and wellbeing opportunities it offers.

If you are interested please email the Chairman at [pmmhchair@gmail.com](mailto:pmmhchair@gmail.com)

## Raffle and Summer Market



**Our Summer Market will be held on 6th July from 1.30pm to 4.30pm**

if you would like to have a stall,

please contact Jenny Marshall, [jennymarshall2@hotmail.com](mailto:jennymarshall2@hotmail.com).

**Enclosed in this newsletter is a book of raffle tickets. We have a fantastic top prize of £100 cash and a large food hamper along with lots of other prizes. If you would like to buy tickets but can't make it on the day please pop them in an envelope with the correct money and drop them off by 5th July either in the Hall letter box, to Jenny Marshall at Golden Buffs, Burney Bit or Christine McGarvie, 71 Pelican Road. Alternatively, tickets will be for sale on the day of the Market. .**

We are also looking for donations for our Tombola, raffle and silent auction. If you have anything you would like to donate please drop items off at the hall when it is open or email

[cmcgarvie@pmmemorialhall.co.uk](mailto:cmcgarvie@pmmemorialhall.co.uk) and we can arrange collection.

We hope to see lots of you at the hall for some retail therapy or just come along for a slice of cake and a chat !

## Pamber Parish Council

No doubt the question on everybody's mind is "what are the Parish Council doing about the travellers in Pamber Park ?" The chosen route is a legal process which has commenced and the solicitor submitted a Possession Order recently to Basingstoke County Court. If this Possession Order is not successful, a Court Order will be obtained for enforcement purposes. Unfortunately, the legal route is not a quick one and due to the backlog at the courts it can take between four to six months for travellers to be evicted. This route gives the Parish Council security for six years. The alternative is the Common Law route which could see a bailiff appointed and travellers evicted within a week to ten days. Unfortunately, this course of action has no legal back up and as a result the travellers could be back within a week. We are in regular contact with the Basingstoke and Deane Borough Council (BDBC) Traveller Liaison Officer and with Basingstoke police.

In the meantime, the Parish Council Clerk has arranged with the BDBC Street Cleansing Team to make more regular visits to the park and The Allotment Association has given permission for their water to be used for the horses. In order to secure the park, from future encampments the Parish Council have commissioned a metal gate with posts concreted in to replace the wooden T-Bar with an armoured padlock. It is also obtaining quotes to put a 200m bund around the perimeter of the park, to act as a further deterrent along with the dragons' teeth posts and three new metal benches. Following reports from residents, the neighbourhood police team have been notified about the late-night noise and the travellers riding their horse and traps around the area, especially Burney Bit. Should any member of the public encounter any antisocial behaviour then the police should be informed.

Cllr. Simon Greaves - Pamber Parish Chairman



**Community Speedwatch-** Our Parish Community Speedwatch team are back out monitoring traffic. We ran one session in May where 41 vehicles were reported as speeding in Pamber Heath, one travelling at 53 mph along a 30mph road. More volunteers would help us to run more sessions so do come and join us. At the end of May, five of the team attended a tea and cake event at a police training facility in Netley. This was a great opportunity to network with other Community Speedwatch teams in Hampshire and the Isle of Wight and to meet all of the different 'citizens in policing' teams. To volunteer, please contact the Clerk to the Pamber Parish council via email, [clerk@pamber-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@pamber-pc.gov.uk)

## News from St Luke's Church



A big thank you to all who took part in our open afternoon on 17th May which was enjoyed by all who were there. The theme was a celebration of gifts and talents in the local community and we were amazed at the variety of skills and talents which were displayed. There were displays and demonstrations of art work, lace making, gold embroidery, crochet and knitting, needlework, Family History, Lego flower arrangements and solo singing. Information on the work done by volunteers in Pamber Forest was also shown. Cream teas were provided, the proceeds being for St Michael's Hospice, and there was also a raffle and a plant sale to raise funds for repair of the church roof. The final figures (excluding gift aid) were:

Plant sales £361.50, Raffle and donations £288, St Michael Hospice £380.40 making a total of £1029.90 raised.

The team who organised the event and I would like to express thanks for all those who made this event such a success. The money was important but we were left with a great sense of joy and gratitude for so many people coming to St Luke's and sharing their talents with us and all the visitors. Thanks to the Lottery fund, generous gift and funds raised, and the good work of our contractors, the work on the church roof is well underway. The church continues with its Wednesday morning service, its Thursday morning coffee session and Friday morning Toddler Group. It is now having a Sunday morning service on the third Sunday of the month at 11:00 am, for a sixth month trial period which will become more permanent if it proves to be well attended.

The church continues to open daily for private prayer. Books for borrowing are on display and toys and puzzles provided for accompanied children to play with. We hope passers-by enjoy viewing our car park garden including a wild flower garden. We are very grateful to Basingstoke Greening Group, who are coming to advise us on our garden and pots to make them as environmentally friendly as possible.

We are grateful to the Pamber Council for including the church on the map showing the amenities in the Pamber Parish. It seems that we are the only functioning church in the civic parish.

We are part of the benefice of Tadley with Pamber Heath and Silchester and more news and information can be found on our website:

[www.stpaulstadley.org.uk](http://www.stpaulstadley.org.uk) or by contacting the rector, Revd Steve McKay. Cathy Pynn (Revd) Resident priest 27 Silchester Road, Tel: 0118 9701007



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# Out of the Shadows

Pamber Heath Memorial Hall  
18th October 7.30pm £15.00

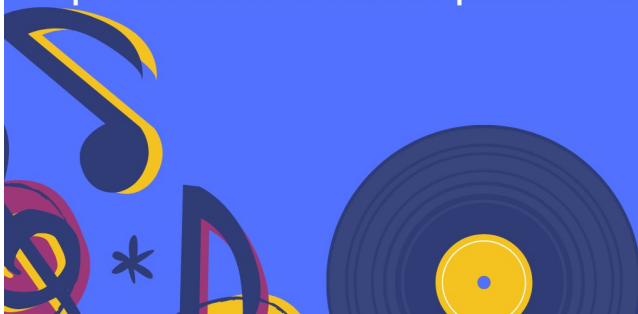
Bring your own food and drink.

*Live music*



*Raffle*

Tickets can be purchased online at  
<https://www.ticketebo.co.uk/pamber-heath-memorial-hall/out-of-the-shadows-2025>  
or pls contact Pauline [paulinewday@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:paulinewday@yahoo.co.uk)



Our Summer term has been so much fun and we've especially enjoyed our outside space in all the lovely weather we have had! Just



**Impstone &  
Cherry Trees**  
Preschools

before the Easter holidays we had all our families in to enjoy an Easter Egg hunt and raised money for our preschool by selling crafts the children had made for their families, as well as a big raffle!

At the beginning of May, on the hottest day of the year so far, we visited Beale Park for our annual family trip and try much enjoyed the paddling pool, as well as seeing all the amazing animals they have on offer, taking some shade on the train ride too!! Everyone had a fabulous time. Sports Day also saw another sunny day and all our families joined us to support their children through the round robin of activities, with some parents joining in the fun too! Medals and certificates were well achieved that day, especially as we have such a young cohort this year, so such a big event can be quite daunting for them, but they were all superstars.

Following the half term break, we have returned to our ever popular "Very Hungry Caterpillar" story and the growing of our own butterflies. We have started with 5 and these are growing massively so far, so fingers crossed they all make it to butterflies.

We are currently full on all days which is fantastic, but what's more fantastic is how full we already are for September! With the change of funding this coming September, eligible working parents will be entitled to 30 hours of funding for children from 9 months old. To see if you are or will be eligible, please go to [www/childcarechoices.gov.uk](http://www.childcarechoices.gov.uk) If you are still looking for childcare for September you need to get booked in for a visit very quickly.

Recently, one of our families who works for AWE was able to bring their teams in for their charity day to help us in our garden area. We had two teams of fantastic workers who dug, painted and strimmed and now we have bright and colourful fence panels, an outside classroom, a table top area and a shingle construction zone. We are so very grateful to them all for their help. Our next project is a Forest School Area including a pond, rope swing and hammock for the children to explore.

This year has gone amazingly fast, but it's been another brilliant one and we are super proud of all our children and wish the school leavers all the best on their next adventure to 'big' school! Thanks again to my brilliant staffing team, without them we wouldn't be the preschool we are today and also thanks to my committee chair and treasurer for all their support. We look forward to working with our new committee team for the coming year.

## Club Contacts

**Impstone Preschool** Monday – Friday 8.30am - 4pm Amanda Davies  
07733 898914 [impstonecherrytreespreschool@gmail.com](mailto:impstonecherrytreespreschool@gmail.com)

**Short Mat Bowls** Monday 6.45 – 9.45pm, Wednesday 1.45 – 5pm  
Maggie Branston [the.branstons@gmail.com](mailto:the.branstons@gmail.com), 07816 969205

**Yoga** Tuesday 6.30 – 8pm Julie Bushell [julie@juliebushell.co.uk](mailto:julie@juliebushell.co.uk)

**Exercise group** Tuesday 7.15 – 8.45pm Joe Sidey 07760 558749

**ActiveHealthy Exercise classes**—range of classes between 10-1pm on  
Tuesday and 12-4pm on Friday [adam@activehealthy.uk](mailto:adam@activehealthy.uk)

**Little Imps** Wednesday 10am - 11.30am Amanda Davies  
[impstonecherrytreespreschool@gmail.com](mailto:impstonecherrytreespreschool@gmail.com) 07733 898914

**U3A Wine Appreciation**, 2nd Wednesday every month  
2.30 - 4pm Keith Buckingham [bucktadley@btinternet.com](mailto:bucktadley@btinternet.com)

**U3A Art group** every 2nd and 4th Thursday 2-4pm  
[TandDU3A@gmail.com](mailto:TandDU3A@gmail.com)

**Pilates** Wednesday 6 – 6.45pm Salli Silk [salli@workouttomusic.co.uk](mailto:salli@workouttomusic.co.uk)  
07754 879469

**Ballroom Dancing** Wednesday 7 – 8pm, 8 - 9pm Kerry Pretty  
[kerry.pretty@sky.com](mailto:kerry.pretty@sky.com) 07979 850786

**Fitness Pilates** Thursday 9.30 – 10.30am Claire Hecquet  
[claireshomestudio@outlook.com](mailto:claireshomestudio@outlook.com)

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

**TaeKwondo** Friday 7 - 8pm Jason Cooper  
[jason1cooper@btinternet.com](mailto:jason1cooper@btinternet.com)

**B&D Dog Training**, 2nd Sunday of the month. [jacshnt@icloud.com](mailto:jacshnt@icloud.com)

**Health & Wellbeing Club** Alternate Saturdays 9am-10.30am  
[mcardleeve@gmail.com](mailto:mcardleeve@gmail.com) 0118 9701438

## Pamber Heath Memorial Hall

To book, contact the booking clerk on **07871 459960** or email  
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<https://mailchi.mp/8ae00c493407/pamber-heath-memorial-hall>

## St Stephens Hall, Little London

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