



## Bow Brickhill Parish Council

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## BOW BRICKHILL HISTORY SOCIETY PRESENTS

A talk given by Jean Yates of Dunstable Priory fame entitled 'Bess of Hardwick, an Elizabethan survivor, talks about her Cavendish Family, Cardinal Wolsey, and their links to Dunstable'.



**Wednesday 6th November**

Bow Brickhill Community Hall, Church Road, MK17 9LH

**7.45 pm refreshments for an 8.00pm start**  
**Non members £3**

*There is no car park at the Hall, so please consider parking at the Pavilion, Rushmere Close MK17 9JB just a few minutes walk away.*

## DEADLINE FOR THE DECEMBER/JANUARY ISSUE

**21ST NOVEMBER 2024**



Contributions please to: Ann - email: annasatraining@gmail.com  
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## BOW BRICKHILL VILLAGE NEWS NOVEMBER 2024

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## AUTUMN BAZAAR

**Saturday 9 November 2-4pm**

**Bow Brickhill Pavilion, Rushmere Close**

**The Autumn Bazaar is All Saints' major fundraising event for the year.**  
**We'd be very grateful to anyone who can donate items to the stalls.**

**Please drop off your donations to:**

**Tombola :** There will not be a door-to-door collection. Please drop in your donations to Ann Sidgwick at 46 Station Road, Tel 01908 368685

**Books and DVDs:** Alistair Twigg, 4 London End Lane, Tel 07831 633653

**Raffle :** Andrea Spurdle, 42a Station Road, Tel 01908 648373

**Garden produce/plants:** Diana Kesterton, 4 Woburn Sands Road,  
Tel 01908 372434

**Bric-a-brac:** Trish Wilby, 3 Greenways, Tel 01908 374577

**Cakes:** Kim Gallacher, Poplar Farmhouse, 35 Station Road,  
Tel 07989 987762



**Toys :** Andrea Spurdle, 42a Station Road, Tel 01908 648373

**Puzzles:** John Wales, 6 Downs View, Tel 01908 373907

As well as a good variety of stalls there will be refreshments available thanks to the Brownies. So do come along and bring all the family on November 9th - you might find a bargain, try your luck, or just enjoy a cup of tea with friends.



**If you would like a lift to get to the Bazaar, we can arrange transport – please call Andrea on 01908 648373**

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## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY NOVEMBER 2024

DATE	ACTIVITY/TIME	VENUE	CONTACT
Sun 3rd	Family Church Service 11.00 a.m.	Community Hall	Phillipa Cook pjcook@gmail.com
Wed 6th	BBHS—Talk by Jean Yates “Bess of Hardwick” 7.45 p.m.	Community Hall	Mary Preen marypreen@gmail.com
Sat 9th	Autumn Bazaar 2.00 -4.00 p.m.	Pavilion	Andrea Spurdle Andrea_spurdle@earthling.net
Sun 10th	Sunday Lunch Club 12.30 p.m.	Community Hall	Sally Pepper 07831 633653
<b>Sun 10th</b>	<b>Remembrance Sunday Service 3.00 p.m.</b>	<b>Village War Memorial</b>	
Mon 11th	Book Club 7.30 p.m.	Community Hall	Celia Sherratt celiarsherratt@gmail.com
Tues 12th	Parish Council Meeting 7.00pm	Pavilion	clerk@bowbrickhill-pc.gov.uk
Sat 23rd	Craft Fayre 2.30 p.m.	Pavilion	FB: Bow Brickhill Events
Sun 24th	Wreath Making Workshop 10.30 a.m.	Community Hall	Andrea Spurdle Andrea_spurdle@earthling.net
Thurs 28th	BBWI	Pavilion	Stephanie Warren 01908 671394
Weekly Mon:	Yoga 6.00 p.m.	Community Hall	Elli Flitton https://Bookwhen.com/ellyoga
Weekly Wed:	Drop In : 2.30 - 4.30 p.m.	Community Hall	Andrea Spurdle Andrea_spurdle@earthling.net
Weekly Wed:	Brownies 6.00 p.m.	Community Hall	Sally Pepper 01908 375365
Weekly Sat:	Kick Boxing : 9.30 a.m.	Pavilion	Mark Mackrill mark.ecka@outlook.com
	Tai Chi : 12 Noon	Pavilion	Frank Purcell
Alternate: Thursdays	Acoustic Guitar Club 8.00 pm	Community Hall	Martin Bishop mbishop61@googlemail.com
Monthly:	Buccaneers : Model Making 3rd Weds : 8.00 p.m.	Pavilion	Derek Giles Derek.giles@skedda.test 01908 374494
Monthly: 1st,3rd,4th	Old Apostolic Church Group Sun 9.15 a.m.	Pavilion	Fatima Cronje 07577 478037 fatima.cronje@Oldvwfs.co.uk



**Rector - Reverend John Waller Tel: 01525 261062**  
The Rectory, 10 Pound Hill, Great Brickhill MK17 9AS

**Churchwarden: John Wales Tel: 01908 373907**  
To contact the Rector and Churchwarden email:  
**bowbrickhillchurch@gmail.com**

Please remember that the Benefice website will be the best way to obtain information and updates on any of the services etc: [www.brickhillschurches.org.uk](http://www.brickhillschurches.org.uk)

### RECTOR'S NOVEMBER MESSAGE:

#### All Saints – and all sinners

Dear friends,

In the church's year, November 1<sup>st</sup> is called 'All Saints Day', and each year at this time I remember meeting the minister of a church called the 'House for all Sinners and Saints'. Their name was chosen to make a serious point. It is not that some people are sinners, and other people are saints, but we are *all* both sinners and saints.

'Sinners' is a religious term for those who do wrong, who do evil. And all of us are less than perfect, and so we all do what we know to be wrong, and cause harm to ourselves and others.

'Saints' are those who are holy, who are special. And we are all saints, because we have been made in God's image, and we all reflect something of the wonder and glory of God, and have received God's gift of life.

People often think that those who go to church are making some claim to be 'good enough', or better than others. But the opposite is true. I often tell people that I go to church because I know that I'm not good enough, and I need help – I need God's forgiveness.

So who is church for? It is for those who know themselves to be 'sinners-and-saints' –so it is for all of us.

**Revd John Waller**



### RECTOR'S BIBLE STUDY AT THE RECTORY

The next Bible Study will be on **Thursday 21st November at 8.00pm**

All are welcome to come and discuss the passages from the bible from one of our forthcoming services



## Bow Brickhill CE Primary School

### Sporting Success

This school year has started with a lot of sporting success for the school and we couldn't be prouder of the children. First, we took a team of boys to a Year 5/6 football event held at Brooklands Farm School. Even though we had a couple of members of our team from Year 3/4 our boys did us proud. They listened to what they were asked to do, showed good teamwork as well as showing good sportsmanship and they didn't lose a single match!



The very next day we took a team of children across Years 3-6 to the Milton Keynes Schools Cross Country Championship. We are always the smallest school in size to attend the event but that doesn't affect our aspirations for our children. This year we competed against 8 other 'small' schools and 7 'medium' sized schools, all based on pupil numbers. Our children again made us amazingly proud. They have shown real dedication to the event, training

several times a week in all weathers. We also had great support from the children's parents with many offering to help marshal the event. We achieved one individual medal, 3 top 10 finishes and half our team finished in the top 20 for their respective events. These amazing team runs meant that we also achieved a bronze medal for our junior boys' team, a bronze medal for our senior boys' team and an overall bronze as a small school team! We are so proud of each of our competitors and grateful for our brilliant parent support too.

Lastly, we have been busy taking teams of girls to local Netball events. Our Year 3/4 girls did a great job not losing a single one of their matches nor even conceding any goals! It's the turn of our Year 5/6 girls this week so we look forward to seeing how they get on. Then our attention turns to dodgeball next half term.



### EYFS September 2025

If you have a child due to start school in September 2025 and missed our open days in October but would like to look around, please contact us for a personalised tour.

[office@bowbrickhillprimary.co.uk](mailto:office@bowbrickhillprimary.co.uk) or call us on 01908 373672.

## CHURCH SERVICES ACROSS THE BENEFICE TO THE END OF NOVEMBER:

### Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November

9.30	(Gt. Br.)	Holy Communion	JW
11.00	(St. H.)	Family Service	Dave Webber
11.00	(Bw. Br.)	<b>Family Service in Hall</b>	<b>JW</b>
16.00	(Lt. Br.)	All Souls Service	JW

*(This is a joint service for everyone in the four villages of the Brickhills & Stoke Hammond)*

### Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November **Remembrance Sunday**

10.45	(St. H.)	Remembrance Service	Revd Simon Faulks
10.50	(Gt. Br.)	Remembrance Service	JW
10.50	(Lt. Br.)	Remembrance Service	Jeremy Hopkinson
15.00	(Bw. Br.)	<b>Remembrance Service Choir</b> <i>(at the Village War Memorial)</i>	<b>JW</b>

### Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November

10.00	(Bw. Br.)	<b>Holy Communion Benefice</b>	<b>JW</b>
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*(This is a joint service for everyone in the four villages of the Brickhills & Stoke Hammond)*

### Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November

9.30	(St. H.)	Holy Communion	JW
11.00	(Bw. Br.)	Mattins (BCP)	Phillipa Cook

### **All Souls Service, Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November:**

The annual service for the Benefice will be at Little Brickhill at 4pm, when we will remember with thanksgiving all those we know who have died in recent times. Please pass on names of anyone who you would like to be remembered at the service to the Rector, Julia or Phillipa.

### **Remembrance Day Service, Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November:**

The Remembrance Day Service will be at the Bow Brickhill Village War Memorial at the bottom of Church Road.

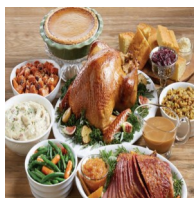
Please do join us to honour the memory of those who laid down their lives serving their country in both World Wars and to remember all who suffer as a result of more recent wars and conflicts.

Refreshments will be available at the Community Hall after the service.





## SUNDAY LUNCH CLUB 10TH NOVEMBER



Join us on **Sunday 10th November at 12.30 p.m.**

For our Sunday Lunch Club in the Community Hall  
where we look forward to seeing existing and new members ....

**Please contact Sally or Alistair on 07831 633653  
if you want to join us or help in any way**

***(Lunch will be followed by the Service of Remembrance at the Village War Memorial at 3.00 p.m. then tea & biscuits in the Community Hall)***

## ASTRA 500 Club



The results from the September draw of the 500 club are:

1st prize:	£22.25	ticket	157	Rosie Wright
2nd prize:	£15.58	ticket	5	Sally Robinson
3rd prize:	£ 6.68	ticket	23	Sally Robinson

**Draws are held on the last Thursday of every month**

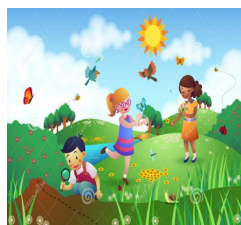
***A big thank you to Andrea Spurdle who manages these monthly draws***

## Bow Brickhill Women's Institute

meets on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month at 7.30 pm in  
The Pavilion, Rushmere Close, Bow Brickhill, MK17 9JB

**New members and guests are very welcome**

further details please email [bowbrickhillwi@gmail.com](mailto:bowbrickhillwi@gmail.com)



**The Community Hall Committee** would like to remind  
all village residents that the children's garden at the  
Community Hall is open for use by the village children  
when the hall is not occupied.

***There may be new residents of the village  
who are not aware of this***

## Harvest Festival in Bow Brickhill



Over twenty worshippers attended a lovely  
Family Harvest Service of readings, poems,  
songs and prayers on Sunday, October 6<sup>th</sup>, in  
our Community Hall, which was beautifully  
decorated for the occasion.

Although some people had to leave after the  
service, more villagers joined in for an  
enjoyable 'Bring and Share' Harvest Lunch.

Many thanks to everyone who brought along  
the delicious dishes that we shared together  
and to those who most generously donated  
produce and cash to support the Milton  
Keynes Food Bank.

The Food Bank was delighted with our generous donation of £75.00 and wanted to  
thank us all. It has gone to support those going hungry in our local community.

***Trish Wilby***

## Christmas wreath making

Christmas wreath making sessions at the community hall, late November.  
Proceeds will go to churchyard maintenance 2025.

**The dates of this event will be**

**Sun 24 November 10.30- 12.30 pm**

**Sun 1 December 1.30-3.30pm**

**Location: Bow Brickhill Community Hall**

**Class size max 10**

**Price £40**

**(Non refundable deposit on booking £20)**

**Class time 2-2.50 hrs**

Please contact Andrea 019083 648373 or  
[andrea\\_spurdle@earthling.net](mailto:andrea_spurdle@earthling.net) to transfer deposit and  
secure your place



***Warmest wishes from the Churchyard Maintenance Team***

**Christmas Craft Fayre:** There will be a Quintet of Six from the Woburn Sands Band performing. They will start at 2.30am to 3.15pm and then again at 3.45 to 4.30pm. Please know that the event will be raising money for Shay's Smiles. A very worthy charity so please come along and support this event.



**The WOBURN SANDS Band**

Bow Brickhill Pavilion,  
Rushmere Close

# Christmas Craft Fayre

**23rd November**  
**2.30-6pm**

With a lovely selection of  
artisan craft stalls for all  
to enjoy.

Plus refreshments,  
entertainment from the  
Woburn Sands Band and a visit  
from a very special guest!

For more details including Stall Bookings please contact:  
Paula Tonkin paula013@hotmail.co.uk  
Clare Evans clare.evans11@hotmail.co.uk



## PLEASE COULD YOU HELP TO DELIVER THE VILLAGE NEWSLETTER?

**We are looking for someone to deliver the newsletter to Church Road.**

We publish 10 newsletters per year, they are usually ready for delivery towards the end of the previous month. If you think you could do this please would you contact Chris at email address:

[bobchrisfrench@gmail.com](mailto:bobchrisfrench@gmail.com)

Your help with this would be much appreciated and a big thank you to all our present delivery helpers

We also send many thanks to Ian and Kaz for their help in delivering to Church Road. They are moving house and we wish them well.



## Drop-in Wednesday afternoons

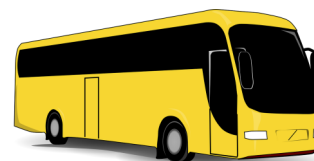
Everyone is welcome to come to the meeting room in the Community Hall on Church Road any time from 2.30 - 4.30pm on a Wednesday for a cup of tea, a biscuit and a chat with fellow villagers in a warm space.

***We'd love to see you there!***

The drop-in is possible thanks to a lovely team of volunteers who give up one afternoon a month to open the room and make the tea. If you could help with this, please contact:

Andrea on 01908 648373 or [andrea\\_spurdle@earthling.net](mailto:andrea_spurdle@earthling.net)

## THREE PARISHES COACH TRIP



**The November trip to Leicester has been cancelled so there are no more trips this year.**

**Hopefully they will resume in the Spring and details of these will be published when known**

**For more info contact Brenda  
01908 375151 or 07792610055**



## Parish Council Update

### Solar Panels

The Parish Council had solar panels installed at the Pavilion in June this year and so far the system has generated 8.8MWh of energy. This means that the electricity supply at the Pavilion is met by the panels and 60% of the remaining power is exported to the National Grid.

### Defibrillator

We were very pleased to hear from Maria Ferguson Ford that she had obtained another defibrillator free of charge and as soon as funds are available. The Wheatsheaf has agreed to it being installed at a convenient prominent location on their premises. Our thanks to Maria and the Wheatsheaf.

### South East Milton Keynes – Strategic Urban Extension

This development of 3,000 dwellings was originally proposed in January 2021 by Milton Keynes Council. The Parish Council were invited to send a representative to ad hoc meetings where developers present their proposals and at the last meeting we were given a transport analysis based on various traffic models. This included a scenario where the Bow Brickhill rail crossing barrier was down twice an hour. It did not allow for the warehouse traffic at South Caldecotte or the additional building program being proposed in the MK 2050 plan. A map showing the Bow Brickhill by pass (white line) was presented to the meeting and is set out below. The light green area outlined in red is where the green buffer zone is proposed



*Julian Price, Chairman, Bow Brickhill Parish Council*



# Bow Brickhill Christmas Quiz & Buffet

Saturday 14th December 2024  
7-10pm

Come along to a fun Christmas themed quiz and enjoy a buffet meal. Bring a glass and your favourite Christmas tipples.

Enter a team of 6 or join a team on the night.

Venue: Bow Brickhill Community Hall

Tickets: only £5 per person

To book, please contact:  
bowbrickhillevents@hotmail.com  
or call Clare 07973 367117 or Paula 07980 595541