

The magazine for the village of Pinvin

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Welcome to the first issue of Pinpoint for 2023, and a full magazine this month with news from the parish and county councils, the village schools, the church and the WI. If your new year resolutions include becoming more active, you might be interested in the invitation from Pershore Squash Courts on page 3, or perhaps in helping out with the village orchard and arboretum which you can

find out about on page 2. Whatever your interests, I hope you will find something to join in with in Pinvin in 2023.

Melanie

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Deadline for March issue:
19th February 2023
We hope to hear from you!

Parish Council News

There is currently a vacancy on the parish council and elections for parish councillors will be held in May this year. Pinvin parish council holds meetings on the first Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm and they last about 1.5 hours. Being a Councillor is a



areat way to give back to your community, enact change, and help with projects in your community. For more information on this role, if you are interested, please contact the parish council clerk (details below).

Pinvin Memorial Hall

The village hall is desperate for more volunteers to keep it going as a community asset. New people are needed to be part of the hall management committee, which currently only has two members. There is also a need for occasional volunteers to help out as required. The hall has a number of regular bookings and a growing number of one off events, which provide social activities for residents, but more support from the village is required to keep the hall open long term. For more information on ways people can help and what is involved please email Karen Boyden at pinvinvillagehall@gmail.com.

Pinvin Orchard Working Party

Pinvin parish council has used New Homes Bonus funding to plant a community orchard on the allotments. A working party was set up to organise and carry out this project which currently has about a dozen residents involved. We generally meet on a Sunday, as and when work needs to be done. This year the working party will be planting an arboretum in what used to be the preschool forest school area. This has been newly fenced and the overgrown willows removed. We are intending to plant 20 different tree species, all of which either have beautiful berries, blossom or leaf colouring at different times of the year. We will start this project in February and new members will be very welcome. You don't have to have any experience in planting trees or gardening, but it is a great way to make friends and enjoy being outdoors. The results of these projects will provide a great legacy for all the village. For more information email Tiffany O'Dell at chairmanpc@pinvin.org.uk.

Best wishes

Tiffany O'Dell - Chairman

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Worcestershire County Council

The South Worcestershire Development Plan: What happens next?

Firstly, we would like to express our gratitude to all the residents who contributed to the consultation at the end of last year. And a special thank you to the parish councillors who produced the report that was submitted on our behalf. It was a lot of work, and we have all needed a bit of time to recover!

The consultation responses will now be compiled by the planning team at Wychavon, and it is expected that the development plan will be submitted to the inspector in late spring. It is not known when the public inspection will start but it is expected to be in the summer. At the moment it is not clear what recent government announcements will do to change the process, but the council is expected to continue the process until changes come into force.

The government have made it clear that targets will remain but there will be some flexibility. This does not mean targets will disappear altogether so we will have to wait for further information before we can relax. For now, Throckmorton town remains a threat.

Dan Boatright - County Councillor

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Pershore Squash Courts

Squash or Racketball is a great game!

You have 40 mins to have a fun or serious game.

Then time for a shower and a drink at the bar

- all in 2 hours.



Club Nights: Monday 7:20pm and Friday 5:20pm

Open to everyone!

Come and have a go, or watch before joining, and then play anytime.

For more information contact

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St Nicholas Church, Pinvin

Services: 10.30am on 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month

All are welcome at all services - do come alona.

Dear Friends,

I got really excited the other day when some post popped though my door that obviously had something to do with Valentine's Day. Maybe, I thought, this will be the year when the person who delivers my post is overwhelmed with the sheer number of Valentine cards for the Vicarage! Sadly, closer inspection revealed it was a beautifully produced flyer for a certain chocolate company.

Valentine's Day still captures the imagination, and many people spend lots of time and money on showing their love for one another by the giving of cards and gifts on 14th February. But love is such a big and varied thing that there's not just one way of feeling it or sharing it.

Each of us, in our way, will make those around us feel loved and affirmed. We might show love to family and friends, but also to those in our community, those we know and those we don't. The kindness and generosity shown particularly to those in need, especially during this harsh and challenging winter, is all about love. Every tin of baked beans put in the Foodbank box, really is an act of love.

At St Nicholas Church we try to be as loving and welcoming as we can, knowing that every time we do or say something that is motivated by love, we are sharing God's love for everyone. We have refreshments after our services because time spent together, being interested in one another is all about love. We are committed to supporting the Foodbank, which is all about love. And we've been really pleased to welcome Pershore Town Choir to use St Nicholas church for their rehearsal nights when the Abbey is unavailable. These are all small things but show that we care about one another and our community.

I always want to belong to a church that is warm, loving and welcoming to all, that inspires others to love one another. We're always trying to think of new ways to share that love, but if you have any ideas please do get in touch. However you spend Valentine's Day I hope you experience some love and kindness, and that you are able to share that love with someone else too.

Claire - Revd Canon Claire A Lording

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St Nicholas Church Pinvin: Sunday Services

All services will start at 10:30am unless stated otherwise

3rd before Lent 5th February Sunday Eucharist

Next before Lent 19th February Food Bank Special - Sunday Praise

Lent 2 5th March Sunday Eucharist Mothering Sunday 19th March Sunday Praise

Refreshments will be available after the service.

The services prior to Christmas were very well attended indeed.

The Christmas Eve service was followed by mince pies and a warm mulled wine. Then at 6:00pm our large **Rocket** was set off resulting in a massive bang and a splendid bright star display.



Many thanks to the villagers who supported the services, and a belated **Happy New Year** to you all.

On the 19th February we are holding another service in support of the **Pershore Food Bank.** The last time we did a similar service, our church provided the food bank with five large bags of produce. Please don't forget that the food bank also accepts donations of money.

Mothers don't forget YOUR SPECIAL DAY on Sunday March 19th.

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Should any Pinvin villagers like to attend the meetings or be part of the PCC, please contact the Benefice office or any of the above people.



Pinvin Poppies WI

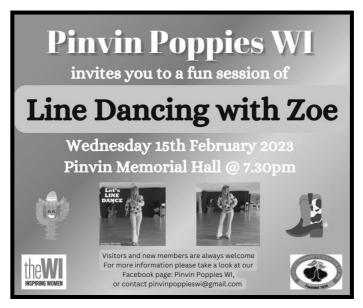
We meet at Pinvin Memorial Hall on the third Wednesday of the month starting at 7.30pm. We are a super friendly bunch and welcome new members from all over Worcestershire!

Pinvin Poppies WI started the New Year with a very interesting talk by Jo Gaffney from the House of Colour about lots of ways to tie a scarf. Most of us simply wrap a scarf round our necks to keep warm but we learnt how to tie a scarf to make a top, and a shrug. We also learnt several fancy ways of tying a scarf to enhance outfits.

As well as monthly meetings Pinvin Poppies has a Book Club, a Craft group and we have just launched a Gardening Club. All the clubs provide the opportunity to learn, get to know each other better and have great fun, as well as drink tea and eat cake!

Sara Ashton - President of the Pinvin Poppies WI

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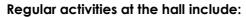
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Be kind - Be positive - Think local.

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What's on at Pinvin Memorial Hall





- Pinvin Guides pinvinguides@gmail.com
- Pinvin Poppies WI pinvinpoppiessec@wfedwi.org.uk
- Movement and More children's dance and baby massage sessions info@movementandmore.co.uk
- Art Club tiffanyodell66@gmail.com
- Drakes Broughton Football Club www.drakesbroughtonrangersfc.co.uk

If you are interested in hiring the hall for a regular or one-off session, please email: pinvinvillagehall @gmail.com

(you may need to add this to contacts to avoid replies going to your spam folder).



Pinvin CE First School and St Nicholas CE Middle School

We have had a really positive start to 2023 and seen children participating successfully in both swimming galas and cross-country tournaments, with four children being selected to progress to the County Tournament later this term.

A variety of extra-curricular clubs are already underway and proving to be very popular. Two of our children have also been selected to represent England in the Dance World Cup later this year in Portugal, which is an incredible achievement.

The school has launched a new website www.pinvinschool.co.uk

which we feel is attractive and informative, sharing our vision and values for the whole school community as well as our curriculum.

Goodbyes:

We would like to thank Mrs Jennings for all she has done for our school family through some very challenging times and for the difference she made. We wish her the very best in the future.

Miss Smith from Year 5 has moved on to a new post and a promotion in her new school, so we wish her well in the next step in her career.

We'd also like to thank our School Crossing Patrol lady, Mrs Jones for all she has done in keeping our children and families safe. Sadly, there will not be a Crossing Patrol for the foreseeable future.

James Hawthorn - Acting Headteacher

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Pinvin Guides

The Guides were asked what they would tell any girl wanting to join Guides and their responses are below:



"Guides is fun and I get the chance to do things I wouldn't do at home." (O, Yr 6)

"It is a really amazing place to make friends, learn new skills, and go places." (D, Yr 6)

"Guides is an opportunity for all girls aged 10-14." (A, Yr 7)

"I like it at Guides as sleepovers are fun." (J, Yr 6).

The girls then decided to create a motto for their unit:

Inventive, Creative and Involves all girls

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Pinvin in the Past

A Sunday in Pinvin long ago

When I moved to Sussex nearly fifty years ago my grandmother wrote every week (as did my mother and my two brothers - all of whom had to be answered individually!) and some of the letters had snippets of her early life amongst all the usual daily occurrences.



A few of these I have kept and the following was one.

'When I was a girl Dad used to go down the garden and dig a piece of horseradish, scrub it white and bring it to me. "Girlie, scrape some please for dinner when you have done veg. ready for mother to cook and you can beat the eggs for her for the Yorkshire pud. There is nothing nicer on a Sunday mid-day meal." "No Father. I do know that Granny Allard wants some with her beef." to me) "When your father comes up to see me let him know, Fanny, he will be going up to church" (St. Nicholas) "with Grandad. He stokes the fires and tolls the bell for 11 o'clock service." (When you have been to) "afternoon Sunday School come back to Grandad and me for tea and go to church tonight with us. Tell your mother so she will not worry if she knows in case she don't come to church with us. Your father will come as it is the Reverend Cotton who is a splendid clergyman and he takes such an interest in all the villagers and families."

Cynthia Johnson