

Early encounters with Islam – English traders in the Mediterranean in the 17th century'

presented by Michael Hart on **Thursday 8 October at 7.30pm** in St Peter's Church, Marlborough. Tickets £8 (MH Friends) or £10 available from The Merchant's House Shop or call 01672 511491 to reserve.

THE MOBILE LIBRARY will park in Liddiards Green on **Thursday 8th October from 10-10.30am**. It will only be visiting once in October and then every 4 weeks starting from 12th November.

Parish Councillors Needed

If you want to do something positive for our community and you are able to think, listen and act locally then we would love you to help us make a real difference to our village. The Parish Council needs to co-opt a number of enthusiastic new members:

As a Parish Councillor you can become a voice for our community and affect real change.

Parish Councillors are community leaders and represent the aspirations of the local residents that they serve.

Parish councillors are the most local part of our democratic system and are closest to the public.

By joining us you could make a vital difference to our local neighbourhood.

If you think you would enjoy being a councillor but want to know more about what is required and the commitment that is needed, please do come along to an informal meeting with your Parish Councillors at:

The Village Hall on Thursday 15th October at 7.30pm

Alternatively, you can contact either the Chairman or the Clerk for an informal chat:

Chairman – Gordon Mudge on 07857 273270 or email gordon_mudge@btinternet.com

Clerk – Caroline Ramsey on 07587 676569 or email carolina.moon@btinternet.com

Jumble Sale Saturday 10 October 10:00 – 12:00

Ogbourne Primary School
Come and grab yourself a bargain
clothes, shoes, accessories, toys, books, bric-a-brac,
refreshments

Raising funds for Ogbourne School and the churches of
St George and St Andrew.

If you have any items you would like to donate please contact Nicola on 07770 588349 to arrange collection or drop off at school.

Marlborough Medical Practice Patient Participation Group

The practice now employs a number of trained Health Care Assistants (HCAs) who are able to perform a number of clinical procedures including:

- ◆ Taking blood
- ◆ Giving vaccinations
- ◆ Changing dressings
- ◆ Syringing ears
- ◆ Freezing warts and verruca
- ◆ Offering smoking cessation advice
- ◆ Undertaking NHS Health Checks
- ◆ Undertaking New Patient Medicals
- ◆ Fitting and removing 24 hour ECG machines

All members of our clinical team work together to help support patients, especially those with increasingly complex health needs, and we would ask rather than always seeing your GP, you consider seeing other members of our team when appropriate. For instance if you have a query about the medication you are taking, our Dispensary Team may be able to help you. If you are not sure who you should see, or if you need to have an appointment to discuss your concerns, please ask reception for advice.

CHURCH DIARY

4 Oct, 11.00am, Harvest Festival (followed by Harvest Lunch in the church)
11 Oct, 8.30am, Holy Communion (BCP)
18 Oct, 9.30am, Parish Communion
25 Oct, 9.30am, Morning Prayer
1 Nov, 10.00am, Cafe Church

Incident at School

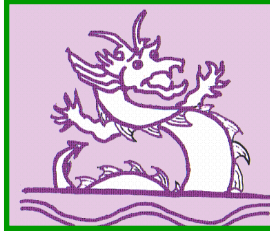
Sometime over the weekend of the 19th to 20th September the play area used by the new children just starting school was entered and much of their equipment piled up to get access to the top of the mobile classroom situated close by. Very rude words were also written in the area. This equipment is used by the most junior pupils but because it is heavy and large it is not practical to put it away at night.

I would be grateful if parents and guardians could have words with any younger people in the village who would think it a joke to carry out such activity. The roof of the mobile classroom is only thin skinned, extremely slippery and therefore dangerous.

With limited places available in the village, we have always been keen to leave the playground open to allow children to play outside of school hours. I do not wish to change this just for the sake of a few irresponsible people.

Thank you
Colin Jeffery
Chair of Governor

Contributions for the November Dragon by 20th October; and/or to receive The Dragon by email contact the editor, Sally Utton at dragonnews@btinternet.com



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Invitation to Visit Ogbourne C of E Primary School

Ogbourne C of E Primary School is having a Family Learning Morning on **Thursday 1st October between 9.15am and 11.00am**. We run these periodically throughout the year for our parents but we like to offer the first Family Learning Day as an 'Open Day' event for villagers so they can see their local school in action. We also like to offer this as an opportunity for any prospective parents to come and visit our school. If you are currently living out of catchment and you want to visit to see what Ogbourne has to offer, this would be an ideal opportunity for you to come into school and see for yourself. I will be on hand to answer any questions you might have.

We'd be very pleased to see you. Please do call into the school office at any time between 9.15am and 11.00am on Thursday 1st October. There is no need to book an appointment.

Anne Normington (Principal)

Decorating the Church for Harvest Festival

Saturday, October 3 from about 9.30 am. All welcome to help, and any offerings of flowers or fruit from your gardens will be gratefully received. There will be coffee and cake, too, of course!

100 Club winners

August 1st Jane Fisher, 2nd Sue Nobbs, 3rd Jenny Heppell
September 1st Mandy Bowns, 2nd D Childs, 3rd Kevin Howard.