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Pilates
at
**The Stewart Hall
Little Kimble**
There is a class on
Tuesdays at 10.30 am
and on
Wednesdays at 5 pm.
All levels are welcome.

Contact Kay
07962.172906
for further information

Whist Drives
April 8th, 15th & 29th
All welcome to these friendly
evenings,
7.30pm
in The Stewart Hall
Little Kimble
Mary Tate
01296 612481

Hayfield Build, Little Kimble
For any queries about the
Hayfield Build Please contact
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on mphillips@hayfield.co.uk

**The Stewart Hall
Station Road, Little Kimble**
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regular bookings or one-off
events: ample parking, Large
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Stage, Kitchen
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07527 595813

Kimblestewarthall@gmail.com

The Management Committee
would welcome new
members to help with the
mangement of this important
parish facility

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www.kimblecouncil.org
to contact the Parish Council
clerk@kimblecouncil.org

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Risborough Area** For information and
advice about crime prevention, please
visit: www.thamesvalley.police.uk
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**GWEN'S
CHARITY PLANT STALL**

If you haven't done so before, do
pop down to see the ever-
changing variety of plants, outside
Haylands, Kimblewick Road.
Thank you so much to all of you
who buy from me, and of course,
a special thank you to all who
have so generously donated
plants, chutneys etc. All monies
go to Cancer Research and the
Florence Nightingale Hospice.
Currently I have a good selection
of spring plants-primroses,
primulas, snowdrops, narcissus,
pansies and violas, and probably
more.

Thank you again, Gwen Nicosia

Can You Help?
We need people to
deliver this Newsletter
to the residents of the
Parish. It is once a
month (not August or
January)

Kimble Bell Ringers
If you are a bell ringer,
would you be interested in
joining the bell ringing team?
If so, please
contact john@boxx.org.uk

Your Parish Newsletter relies
on volunteers delivering to all
homes in the Parish. If you have
some spare time to help deliver
the newsletter do let the editor
know.

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**GREAT AND LITTLE
KIMBLE cum MARSH
NEWSLETTER
No 552
April 2024**

**ST NICHOLAS' CHURCH
GREAT KIMBLE**

**&
ALL SAINTS' CHURCH
LITTLE KIMBLE**

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**St Nicholas' Church
Great Kimble
Services**

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7th April
10am
Parish communion

*
14th April
10am
Morning Worship

*
21st April
9.15am
St Nic's Kids

*
28th April
10am
Informal Communion

**WEDNESDAY
WORSHIP**
9am
Wednesdays
in
April
St Nicholas' Church
Enjoy coffee and a short
Act of Worship
All are welcome.

**Everyone welcome at
St Nic's Kids**

Sunday 17th March
St Nicholas' Church
Doors Open 9.15
Coffee and Pastries and Sunday
Newspapers for the adults
Activities and crafts and face
painting for the children
Before a fun, relevant and short
All Age Service along with the
Great Kimble School choir
Everyone welcome,
we'd love to see you there!!

Tabletop Sale
Sorry we had to change
the date
it is now
Saturday 20th April
10am-3pm
Bric-a-Brac, Books & More
Enjoy chat and
refreshments
in the Stewart Hall

Pastoral Care
It is the aim and the privilege
of the Pastoral Team to visit
sick, bereaved, lonely or
house-bound members of the
community. We are also happy
to assist with transport for
those who are in need of it. Do
get in touch if you know of
anyone who would value a
visit and the support of the
team, it is often the only way
we get to hear of their needs.
For further information
contact:
Julia Northway 01844 342112

**VILLAGE
COFFEE MORNING**
at
The Swan, Great Kimble
Takes place on the
First Friday of each
month from 10.30am
See you on 5th April

Connect.....

Some of us from Great and Little
Kimble cum Marsh have got together
and set up a WhatsApp group. It
provides a place to share local news,
talk to and look out for each other and
contact neighbours for support. Delia
and Harvey moderate the chat if
needed but are not in charge, just
aiming to provide a useful facility for
the community. If you would like to
join in please contact
Delia -
dburton@kimblecouncil.org.uk or
Harvey -
halison@kimblecouncil.org.uk with
your number. We look forward to
welcoming you.

Sensory Garden

Cala Homes have been very
receptive to proposals for a Sensory
Garden within the site by The Swan
and are going to come up with some
plans. We will be looking for
volunteers to get involved with the
planting and maintenance - contact
Delia or Harvey if interested?
dburton@kimblecouncil.org.uk
halison@kimblecouncil.org.uk

The Swan Quiz League
Every first
Wednesday of the month
7pm – 10pm
Teams of 6 max
£5 per team member
Half time curry/chilli

**YARN WANTED BY
KIMBLE KNITTERS .**

If anyone has any unwanted wool, we
would love to receive it. We
knit for several local charities, mainly
Scannappeal. Any amount is
acceptable, from oddments to larger
amounts. We will use it all.
Please telephone Gwen on 07801
562535. We can collect.
Thanks in advance.

**Just Worship
at Kimble Free Church
Grove Lane
First Friday of the month
6pm - 7pm
An hour of worship songs –
the perfect way to enter the
weekend burden free and
refreshed.**

**Little Kimble Free Church
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Craft Café
10am -12 noon 2nd
Wednesday of the month
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T4U
10.30 -12noon
3rd Wednesday of each month
(usually with a speaker from
a charity & Tea and Coffee)**

Chiltern Ladies
Would like to welcome new members to a Ladies Club held in the Stewart Hall Little Kimble HP17 0XN Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of each month starting at 2pm. We are a group of ladies who enjoy meeting once a month. We have speakers on a variety of subjects and have outings to places of interest, some by our own transport and some by coach. We also enjoy a cup of tea and a biscuit (or cake) Please come and see if you would like to join us.

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VIOLIN, VIOLA & CELLO Players – We need you!!

Senior Strings Club is seeking **Violin, Viola and Cello players** who have started learning (perhaps in their younger years, or during the Covid lockdown!) and would like to return to playing and continue learning their instrument in a very supportive and friendly group. Whatever level you are, we have music for you!

Why not come along
and meet us?

The music we play is varied and exciting – from Bach to Beatles and beyond! All the music is arranged for your standard, and you are encouraged to learn to improve on your instrument over the course of your membership. No patronising tutor books here, we learn REAL music together.

Give us a go, come along and find out what it's all about.

**Mondays 1.30pm for an hour.
In The Stewart Hall**

To arrange a free trial
or a visit to us, Email

seniorstrings@hotmail.com

**Kimble & Ellesborough
Horticultural Society**
Monthly meetings are held at the
Stewart Hall starting at 8pm.
If you are not a member but would
be interested in coming to any
meetings do contact Brian Butler
(Chairman)
butler@care4free.net or call him on
01844 342220. Please see our
website for any updates.

The Art of Low

**Maintenance Gardening
8 pm Tuesday 2nd April**

We welcome back Professor Sandy Primrose who will discuss some of the techniques that he uses to reduce gardening chores and keep maintenance to a minimum whilst having flowers all the year round.

**Ornamental Grasses
8 pm Tuesday 7th May**

George Lockwood trained at Capel Manor and is a passionate organic gardener and plantsman. He will explain when each of the plants shown flowers and what aspect and soil it needs and provide some useful tips.

SPRING SHOW - Stewart Hall Sunday 7th April 2pm – 4.30pm

Come and enjoy some beautiful displays of Spring flowers and enjoy delicious home-made cakes. If you are not a member and are interested in exhibiting, please see the Spring Show Information on our website.

**Annual Plant Sale
Saturday 11th May**

**10 00 – 11 30 in
Ellesborough Village Hall,
Butlers Cross**

Good variety of vegetables, perennial and annual flowers including plants for pots and hanging baskets. All grown by local experts. Come early as this is a very popular event.

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Great and Little Kimble cum Marsh PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council meets in the committee room of the Stewart Hall on the second Wednesday each month at 7.30pm, except May, when start time is 7pm.

The Parish Council are always willing to consider community projects and welcome any ideas from parish residents.

Contact the clerk -
clerk@kimblecouncil.org

Litter Picking. The Parish Council employs Sunnyside Rural Trust to litter pick around the Parish. This is a lovely and very worthy charity, which supports adults with special needs in supervised employment. They currently come once a month, but the Parish Council have agreed to see if they are available to come twice a month. If any resident has the time and would like to litter pick, the Parish Council provide the litter pick forks and the purple litter pick bags, which will be collected free of charge from any roadside location. Contact the clerk clerk@kimblecouncil.org if you would like litter picking equipment.

**Photo Competition
Great and Little Kimble cum
Marsh Parish Council are
running a photo competition
and are looking for residents
to showcase their amazing
photography skills.**

**We are looking for photos of
our beautiful Parish in Spring
2024, whether it be the
beautiful scenery or a
landmark.**

**Photos should be taken
between 15th March and 15th
April 2024.**

**Competition is open to all
ages but please do read the
below rules.**

**All entries will be displayed
on the Parish Council
Website**

www.kimblecouncil.org.uk

**Entries should be
submitted to**

clerk@kimblecouncil.org.uk

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**15th March and 15th April
2024**

1st Prize £250

2nd Prize £100

3rd Prize £50

Rules:

1. Submissions must be emailed to clerk@kimblecouncil.org.uk by the deadline of 15th April 2024
2. You may submit as many entries as you wish however, the photo must have been taken by the entrant and must not contain any

materials owned or controlled by a third party.

3. Please provide a description for your photo i.e., where it was taken.

4. Photos must not be enhanced in any way it must be the original photo.

5. Participants of all ages are welcome.

6. By entering the competition, the entrant agrees that the council may use the image for any purpose in the future.

7. All entries may be displayed on the Parish Council website and social media. Please state when submitting your entry whether you are happy for your name to also be displayed.

8. All photos must have been taken within the boundaries of Great and Little Kimble cum Marsh.

9. All participants must live within the Parish of Great and Little Kimble cum Marsh.

Judging:
1. Great and Little Kimble cum Marsh Parish Councillors will judge the entries and the judge's decision will be final and binding.

2. The winner will be announced at the Parish Council meeting on 10th April 2024

The Prizes:

The following prizes will be allocated following the judge's decision: 1st Prize: £250, 2nd Prize: £100 and 3rd Prize: £50

Footpaths on the Chequers Estate

The Chequers Estate has always had a network of footpaths. This caused some distress to the Clutterbucks – a wealthy Yorkshire brewing family who rented the estate from the Astleys at the turn of the last century and was one of the reasons that they moved on. Surprisingly when the estate was bought by Arthur Lee and then donated to the nation as a place of rest and recreation for Prime Ministers a relaxed attitude was maintained to the traditional footpaths.

When the IRA sent a reconnaissance team to look at attacking Chequers they were spotted and reported to the police by local people. When the Irish Boundary Commission met at Chequers the Sinn Fein representative – Mr O Higgins – who had drunk rather freely was heard to remark on how he liked the atmosphere and was glad they had not blown it up.

During the Second World War some restrictions were placed on footpaths and Churchill's

bodyguard – Walter Thompson – remarked in his book how he disliked the place because of all the surrounding trees and undergrowth.

Unfortunately, neither the County Council nor the Ordnance Survey were very diligent about recording a lot of these paths and the then Parish Council took a rather relaxed attitude also. The result was a lot of the paths were not adequately recorded.

In the 1970s, because of the security issues, some footpaths were quietly closed – although some parish councillors were told – strictly off the record – that they would be reinstated at a later date.

A footpath starting by Velvet Lawn which ran via the pumping station to join the major junction of footpaths in Ellesborough Parish, the Piccadilly Path, and a path up through Happy Valley have all disappeared.

Recently a marked footpath starting from the entrance to the old Chequers drive and going up to the public access land on Archer's/Ragpit Hill has had the footpath sign removed and a stern warning about security substituted.

This is an historic footpath and used to run as far as the footpath junction. Since the Estate has allowed it to become blocked beyond the Public Access Land, under Rights of Way legislation we are entitled to walk up the drive at that point, since it is a nearby alternative.

Perhaps those of us who are concerned about this need to talk to the Chiltern Society and the Parish Council about this whole issue, we have found the County Council to be less interested in the past.

Roger Howgate

Kimble's Journey

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English History in.....**

Kimble's Journey

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Interested in the history of our parish and other tales of the area, including Chequers, then you will enjoy Kimble's Journey researched and written by local historian, Roger Howgate. In some 272 pages and 400 illustrations the book tells the history of England from the viewpoint of our rural parish. Available from:

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