

#### The new magazine for the village of Pinvin

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November is a time to remember, and on page 4 we have details of the All Souls' Service at Pershore Abbey and a Remembrance Sunday service here in the village. As more activities start to resume, there is news of Pinvin Guides on page 5 and a chance for ladies to try touch rugby at Pinvin playing fields on page 12. On page 6, the preschool explain how we can support them in undertaking art therapy training as a way of managing anxiety in young and old alike.

Our next Pinpoint will be a combined December/January issue, so please don't delay sending in anything you would like to include for those months. If you are not confident visiting the internet links given in Pinpoint, your local library have people to help you - call 01905 822722 between 9am - 5pm Monday to Friday or visit a library for more information.

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Deadline for Dec/Jan issue: 21st November 2021 We hope to hear from you!



#### **Pinvin Parish Council**

#### Pershore Infrastructure Improvement Scheme

Works are ongoing on the Pershore Northern Link Road and if you've been past there recently, you may have noticed the changing landscape. Piles have been sunk to a depth of 16m into bedrock and the new columns have now been erected for the new railway bridge north and south of the rail track. The majority of the drainage has been installed and foundations laid for the 8m high retention wall on the south.

Works are also continuing on cycling and walking improvements on Wyre Road, with a recent focus on clearing the site of existing vegetation and work on drainage, including the retention pond.

By the time you read this, a planned road closure should have enabled essential works to take place on the new cycle/footway at the Wyre Road/ Station Road junction and other areas on Wyre Road where carriageway works are needed.

#### Consultation on changes to school system in Pershore launched

A public consultation on proposals to change age ranges, amalgamate schools and expand pupil numbers at a number of schools in the Pershore area has been launched.

Schools in Pershore have asked for age ranges of the schools to be reviewed and changes to be coordinated for there to be a clear and consistent education pathway for children in this education planning area.

The consultation runs from 11 October to 26 November 2021 and marks the first opportunity for parents, guardians and pupils to have a say about what is important about age ranges of schools and transitions.

The results of the consultation will be discussed at February's Cabinet before a final decision is made for the Local Authority Maintained schools. The Regional Schools Commissioner and some Governing Bodies will also need to make final decisions in February in relation to other schools.

For more information and to have your say on the proposals please visit: https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/pershorereview

#### Other parish council news

The parish council has paid to have the shrubbery and trees tidied up around the village hall car park. We are also tidying up the playing fields and removing the rubbish around the sports buildings ready for it to be used by the rugby club.

We are still waiting to hear when the mushroom factory will be considered in a planning meeting. There are ongoing issues with highways and drainage. We will keep residents updated via Whatsapp, email and leaflet drops.

Best wishes

Tiffany O'Dell - Chairman

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#### **Worcestershire County Council**

A number of people have asked about accessing GP surgeries and how hard it has been to get an appointment. The county council is discussing this at the next Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee. If people would like to contribute their experiences then it would be great to hear from you. In particular have you had any issues getting contact with a GP? Have you felt that the type of support offered meets your needs? How has your health suffered as a consequence of limited services? If you feel it has worked well then please let me know. This is a sensitive issue so please feel free to email me. I will not disclose names and contact details without consent and no medical issues will be disclosed.

Thanks for the help!

Dan Boatright - County Councillor

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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 along.

#### Dear Friends

This time last year we were all wondering how we could do the remembering that we do in November. Our All Souls' Service and all our Remembrance Sunday services and acts of remembrance had to change, with many being recorded or going online.

To be able to come together as a community when we are mourning the loss of family or friends, or when we recall the ultimate sacrifice of those who have gone before us and have fought and died in war, is a sign of a community that cares and values everyone's contribution.

This year our group All Souls' Service will be held at Pershore Abbey on 7th November at 5pm, and will also be live streamed. If you would like a loved one remembered at this service please contact the Office. On Remembrance Sunday we will gather at \$t Nicholas Church at 10.30am to remember the men who died in war from our village.

Please feel free to join either of these services or to remember quietly at home, knowing that you are not alone.

Claire - Revd Claire A Lording

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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 Guides**

Pinvin Guides are pleased to be able to meet again face to face and have been enjoying using our new meeting venue at the Memorial Hall. We meet weekly during term time and have been completing activities that allow us to get to know each other (after such a long break due to Covid ) and to welcome new members to our Group.



We are looking forward to a light and dark themed activity evening at the start of November; to making or renewing our Guide Promise; reflecting on people who look after us as we reflect on Remembrance Day; and looking forward to Christmas. We will undertake some Community Service this term by helping tidy and decorate the Memorial Hall.

If you are a girl aged 10 - 14 and considering joining us, please email us at Pinvinguides@amail.com.

1st Pinvin Guides leaders

#### Village Harvest Supper

It was great to see people get together at this community event in October. The Starship Enterprise van provided a full menu of choices - including fish and chips of course - and everyone enjoyed taking part in three quizzes around the tables in the memorial hall whilst eating supper.

The event raised £62.00 for the church and memorial hall, and there was a general feeling that it would be good to have more community events like this in future.

Thank you to John Kemp, Rob Mustard and Glen Hurst for organising the evening, and to Jeanette Dawe for helping out with crockery and cutlery.



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#### **Our Adventures**

The children have had a wonderful first half term and settled really well into pre-school life. Our ethos is to follow the child's interests and fascinations and this term the emphasis has very much been on physical play. The children have astounded us with their perseverance and confidence in tackling physical challenge and managing their own risk.

Being active is such an important part of child development as it is these large movements that allow them to gain control of their body and lead to those skills needed later in life, such as being able to manipulate small items such as clothing or writing implements. It is also great for general well-being and health.

So, if you see us in the park, on our village walks, or at our allotment, do come and say hello, the children love to meet new people and show off their skills!

#### **Co-op Community Fund**

I am delighted to inform you that Pinvin Community Pre-school has been chosen as one of the charities to support through the community fund. Our project focuses on mindfulness through art therapy. Funds raised will be used to provide art therapy training to enable us to deliver sessions to children, families and the wider community, bringing young and old together.

Mindfulness has become an accepted practice in the treatment of anxiety. Art therapy operates on the same principle, as the use of art materials and the act of creativity stop cycles of repetitive thought and worry. This calms down the body and subsequently, the mind.

#### You can help to support us by:

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Expressing interest to complete the art therapy course with the pre-school community to then deliver to children, families and the wider community.

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# Pinvin CE First School and St Nicholas CE Middle School



It has been a busy term so far at The Pinvin Federation! It is great to see how enthusiastic children are about their lessons, and there is so much more happening in school as well.

Both schools had a lovely service to celebrate Harvest and give thanks for what we all have. The many generous contributions help us to support our local Foodbank.

Children in Year 4 and 5 completed their Bikeability Level One training and were presented with well earned certificates. Later in the year there will be an opportunity to progress to Level Two and learn about cycling on the roads.

In Cooking Club the children have had fun making Chicken TikTok Wraps and Sausage & Mash with Mini Yorkshire Puddings!

In November we will be supporting Children in Need Day and preparing for our Nativity and Carol Concert at Pershore Abbey in December.

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#### Have you seen this insect?

The Asian hornet is an invasive non-native hornet which is a highly aggressive predator of native insects. It poses a significant threat to our native honey bees and other pollinators. It is most likely to be seen close to bee hives. It is smaller than the native hornet, with a dark abdomen, the



4th segment of which is yellow, and has bright yellow tips to its legs. Do not disturb it if you see one - it stings. For more details, to download an identification guide, or to report any sightings please visit:

www.nonnativespecies.org/alerts/asianhornet

#### Parish Pathways Warden

It is good to see so many people enjoying the last of the Summer sunshine and using our footpaths to exercise their dogs. Can I make 2 special pleas to dog owners. If your dog 'does its business' on the footpath, please do not leave it there. At the very least kick it into the long grass, better still pick it up and put it in the bin provided. Please never, under any circumstances, put it in a plastic bag and throw it in the hedge. This absurd and unpleasant practice both impedes the natural degradation and adds to the litter that has to be cleared by someone else.

The second, is to bear in mind that all pet owners are under an obligation to keep their pets under control at all times and not to let them intimidate another dog and possibly its owner. It is only kind to keep your dog under a very tight lead when approaching other owners and their dogs.

The idea of walking in the countryside is to enjoy the experience and this is greatly enhanced if we are all polite and considerate to each other.

Thank you.

Keith Holton













### Wychavon Council - Green Dog Walkers Pledge

Green Dog Walkers (GDW) is a non-confrontational, friendly way to help change attitudes about dog fouling across the Wychavon District.

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## Pinvin ladies in line for free touch rugby tasters in the village!

Ladies from Pinvin are the first in line for free ladies Touch Rugby tasters, which Pershore Rugby are offering at Pinvin playing fields from Saturday 30 October for three weeks.

Any ladies or girls from 13 upwards can come and join in the sessions, which will last for an hour, starting at 11am. No experience is necessary, since the **non-contact** Touch sessions will teach the basics in ball handling skills, running lines of attack, how to defend,

and will get everyone playing in simple games from the outset. The sessions are designed to be a good introduction to any type of rugby that ladies might like to play – either non-contact Touch, or 15-a-side ladies Rugby Union if they wish.

Fizz Bewley, Chair of Pershore Touch, will be coaching the fully Covid-compliant Touch sessions and she said: "So many women say to me that they would love to have a go at rugby, but they don't want to get hurt... well Touch is a great way to have a go at rugby without the contact, but with all of the fun of passing and running to score tries. It's a great social, team sport and a brilliant way to get fit and make friends out in the fresh air."

Anyone wanting to join in the sessions can simply turn up on the day, or if they want further information, **telephone or text Fizz on 07791 546541.** 

A fabulous way to get fit and have fun with friends - for all ages and abilities Saturday 30 October, 6 and 13 November from 11am - 12 noon

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Please get in touch with your news, events, memories, ideas or articles. Our editorial guidelines are simple: **Be kind - Be positive - Think local.** Thank you.