

WEATHER JANUARY 2018

Total rainfall for month	120mm	4.72 ins
Rained on 17 days		
Rainfall in January 2017	114 mm	4.48 ins
Total for 2018	120 mm	4.72 ins
Total for 2017	114 mm	4.48 ins
Max. Temperature	14 °C	58 °F (25 th)
Min. Temperature	-2 °C	28 °F (29 th)

Children and Church in Hurstbourne Priors

We would really like to know what activities children in Hurstbourne Priors would enjoy at Church services.

If you are a parent, we would love you to come for pudding and a very informal chat at

The Barn House
50 Hurstbourne Priors
at

8pm on Wednesday 14th March

We would love to hear your ideas about what might work for your family and your children.

We really hope to see you.

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On the weekend 2-4 March we shall have a soft toy tombola at Pets at Home Andover and the store will be asking customers to round up to the nearest pound at the till. The money raised will go to our branch.

From the afternoon of Friday 30th March, for two weeks, we will be welcoming customers at Rotations, the Whitchurch Charity Shop. Donations of bric-a-brac, books, toys and good quality, clean clothing will be gratefully received.



Wilson is a lively young cat looking for a home with no other pets. Unfortunately he has not lived with children. He will need a safe garden to explore once settled.

VILLAGE CLEAN UP – 17th MARCH

The Hurstbourne Priors Annual Village Clean Up is on **Saturday 17th March**. Please meet at the Cricket Pavilion from 10.30am where we will be serving tea, coffee, hot chocolate and homemade brownies.

There are a range of tasks from dusting and cleaning in the church, clearance and a bonfire in the graveyard, recreation ground and play area and general litter picking along the lanes. Please wear suitable clothing and gloves. We will have pick claws and rubbish bags available in the Pavilion.

Everyone is welcome; no one is too small or too old for a useful task!

Many thanks,

Your Parish and Parochial Councils

THE BIG BREAKFAST AND PANCAKE RACE

The May Fair Team hosted the Big Breakfast and Pancake race on Sunday 11th February. It was a very jolly event with several new residents joining in and taking part in the races.

Delicious bacon baps and sausage rolls were prepared by Head Chef Jim, ably assisted by his sous chef Fenella, and enjoyed by racers and spectators alike.

The rules for the pancake races were very clear, no holding onto your pancake, you must finish the race with your pancake and most importantly you must toss your pancake at the 'tossing' markers. Helen was the race referee with Mark as her 'linesman' and was very strict about all competitors keeping to the rules.



The line-up for the Under 10's race

The official starter was David who had some problems with eager competitors trying to gain an advantage. The Under 10's race was the most amusing given the size of the competitors vs their frying pans, but after much encouragement by parents and spectators and a great display of pancake tossing the winner was Rose.



Heat One of the Senior's Race

The senior race had so many entrants that there were two heats with the two fastest going through to the final. Both heats were closely, and very competitively, fought - disappointment for Phillida whose pancake left her frying pan losing her precious seconds. The tossing skills of the senior entrants was of a very high standard.

The final was won by William who showed great technique as well as a tremendous burst of speed.



Race winners William and Rose

Many thanks to everyone who took part and we hope that this will become an annual event.

The May Fair Team



**HURSTBOURNE PRIORS
MAY FAIR
BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY
MAY 7th**

Thank you to all who came to our Big Breakfast and Pancake Race and volunteered their help.

Items are NEEDED for our Stalls to ensure the success of our main annual fundraiser for the Village

- Tombola • Bric a Brac • Produce
- Nearly New • Books • Kids Area
- Bottle Stall • Deli
- Teas in the Village Hall

Collection can be arranged for large items nearer the May Fair.

For all offers of items please call Jim Vyse on 07970 533764 or email: jimvysearks@aol.com

PUT THE DATE IN YOUR DIARY NOW!!

National Garden Scheme

(Garden open for charity)

2 Church Cottages

Tufton, Whitchurch, RG28 7RF

Sunday 25th March 2018

2.00pm – 5.00pm

Adults £4.00

Children free

Quiz and Curry Night

A huge thank you to James and Sarah Wyatt-Tilby who arranged a splendid Quiz and Curry evening in the Village Hall, on behalf of the Parish Council. Over sixty locals enjoyed a delicious curry from Blue Ginger in Whitchurch and then a brain stretching and competitive quiz.

The picture rounds on the tables proved quite challenging – getting the right counties of England in the correct place much more complicated than first thought. Several teams confounded by Bristol being a “county”, Avon having been dropped many years ago. As always the ‘dingbats’ caused many hilarious moments as ‘lateral thinking’ went a bit astray! Only 36 points separated the team that came first and the ‘winners’ of the wooden spoon.

Many thanks also to the team of helpers who cleared up the village hall at the end of the evening proving that many hands make light work. Thank you again for a wonderful and very happy evening. We look forward to next year’s Quiz Night!

Ladies Coffee Morning

The March coffee morning will be hosted by Susie Sorby, Bourne House, 53 Hurstbourne Priors (☎ 892665) on **Thursday 22nd March**, from 10.15 onwards, so make sure the date is in your diary.

