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**THE PARISH COUNCIL
WISHES EVERYONE IN
THE PARISH A VERY
MERRY CHRISTMAS AND
A HAPPY NEW YEAR!**

CUDDINGTON & DINTON SCHOOL REPORT

The whole school went to the cinema in Aylesbury to see “The Tale of Despereaux” before we broke up for our half term holiday.

We are pleased that both villages continue their support of the school. Cuddington fête committee gave the school enough money to purchase an additional dining room table and two benches because of the increase of children on the Cuddington site. Dinton fête gave funds to provide four new picnic tables and benches for use by the children eating outside.

A new outside shelter /class area has just been erected in the playground at Dinton; this will be a very useful facility not just for outside activities for the children but also as a sheltered meeting and drop off area for parents.

A group of Year 3 and 4 children took part in an inter-school hockey tournament in October and were runners-up only losing 1-0 to the eventual winners. Year 2 took part in a hockey training day this month. Friends4CaDS have bought a class set of hockey equipment for the school that is already being well used in PE lessons.

Our main fundraising for the term was for Children in Need. This year as well as the children (and some of the staff) wearing something different on the day the staff cooked the children lunch of baked potato, sausage and beans with a Pudsey cake to finish. This was much enjoyed by everyone.

Our next event in the Church will be our Christmas performance which this year will be held on Thursday 10th December at 2.00 pm; parishioners are most welcome to attend.

We are collecting The Times Books for School and Box Tops tokens at present. Last term we managed to collect over 40 books from these schemes. Please send any tokens into school. School closes for the Christmas holiday on Friday 18th December and opens for the new school term on Tuesday 5th January.

CRIMESTOPPERS

Did you know that you can report any crime anonymously? All you have to do is call **0800 555 111** or visit the website on **www.crimestoppers-uk.org**

Bonfire Night

The Parish Council would like to thank all those involved in the organising of the parish bonfire night in the parish field. These events are becoming quite rare in some communities and we appreciate the effort, time and resource from those who volunteer their services.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY

The parish council is now responsible for the arrangements for the Remembrance Sunday Services in the parish. The Chairman of the parish council will continue to lay a wreath at Dinton and Ford on behalf of the community and we would welcome as many people as possible to attend this very important civic and community event.



CAROL SINGING IN DINTON

The annual tradition of Carol Singing takes place on Christmas Eve. Meet at 6pm outside the Seven Stars, weather permitting. All are welcome, children should be accompanied by an adult. Please bring a torch with you. Collections from the evening will go to the Florence Nightingale Hospice, Stoke Mandeville. Mince pies and mulled wine afterwards at Pine Hill,

PARISH RECORD

New items recently added to the Parish record include photos of remembrance day wreaths and a photo of the oak tree planted by Ida Simmonds in memory of her husband, Ron. If you would like to see the Parish record or make any addition to it, please contact Carol Lynch on 01296 748392. We are grateful to Carol for keeping this record for us.

TRAFFIC MANAGEMENT—FORD

The Parish Council has been working closely with Ford Village Society (FVS) in finding a solution to the problem of speeding vehicles travelling through the village of Ford. A great deal of work has been done by the FVS in consultation with the parish council on this matter and at their meeting on 10th November, 2009 it was agreed that Ford should participate in the proposed Bucks County Council Moveable Vehicle Activated Sign trial, subject to both BCC and the parish council signing-off the completed project plan. The parish council has made a bid for funding from the Local Area Forum (Delegated Highways/Transport Budget) and there has also been a contribution from the local County Councillor (Margaret Aston) community fund as well as the parish council setting aside some funding for a possible future permanent installation of VAS in Ford village. The Clerk to the Council is acting as an advisor and the parish council have also appointed a councillor to attend the meetings and assist where possible.

SEVEN STARS

Welcome to Justin and Sandra, new licensees at the Seven Stars. We can report that the pub is now open seven days a week. Justin and Sandra firmly believe that the key to the successful village pub is the involvement of the community, and they look forward to meeting us all.

You may be interested to know that the Seven Stars has been in business since the 1770s; we think it is very important to maintain such long-standing institutions and we remain committed in our support of the village public houses. We wish Justin and Sandra every success.

FETE CELEBRATION EVENING REPORT

I have been asked to give you a brief report on the Celebration Evening on 27th October in the village hall, Dinton. It was a good evening and everyone seemed to enjoy it. There was a nice turn out from Ford. One of the highlights of the evening seemed to be the DVD that Barry Lynch has produced of several fetes and a bonfire night. It was interesting to see how young some of us looked in the 1987 fete at Dinton Hall!! He relayed it on a laptop and there was a constant crowd watching. We gave away approx. £7,700 as follows :

VILLAGE HALL MAINTENANCE	£1,000	CHURCH TOILET FUND	£3,000
MARQUEE LINING	£1,000	FLOWER ARRANGERS	£150
FORD SOCIETY (traffic calming)	£1,000	SCOUT GROUP	£50
GIRL GUIDES	£50	HOME FARM TRUST	£50
R.A.F. MEMORIAL FLIGHT	£100	PARISH COUNCIL (bench)	£300
DINTON SCHOOL	up to £1,000		

We have produced brass plates to be fixed on the picnic tables and bench stating that they were donated by Dinton Fete Committee 2009. We have already purchased 4 foldable picnic tables for the tea tent and more are being bought. We put out a plea for a team to run the Barbeque next year as the recent team have requested a change next year! Our thanks for their sterling work and dedication over the past years! After a heartfelt thanks to the Fete Committee, the last of the wine and nibbles finished off a very relaxed evening with a wish to see everyone next year! Sylvia Eaton—Dinton Village Fete Committee

THE PARISH FIELD SPINNEY

David Hobden, the Parish Tree Warden, has started work in the Spinney, clearing areas around previously planted saplings and clearing another area of scrub ready for planting new saplings in the Spring

WEBSITE

The Parish Council are constantly approached by organisations willing to set up a website for the Parish Council and to maintain it. This would involve an initial set-up cost of around £1300 with ongoing maintenance payments each year. The Parish Council is seeking feedback on how valuable a website might be and any relevant links that might be useful. Please give us your feedback to the Parish Clerk or any Parish Councillor.

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Volunteer to Help Save Lives in Your Community

South Central Ambulance Services NHS Trust is now recruiting volunteers who will be trained to respond to certain types of medical emergencies while the ambulance is en-route. Interested to join or want to donate? cdf@scas.nhs.uk or call 0800 587 0207 or visit www.southcentralambulance.nsh.uk.

Salt

Highways have now delivered the first batch of salt for use during icy weather. This is provided for anyone to use on public roads. So if you are going to bed late or getting up very early and conditions are icy, please feel free to put some of this salt onto the road in the usual trouble spots.

FORD VILLAGE HISTORY SOCIETY NEEDS YOUR

HELP! Ford Village History Group have started to produce a document detailing the History of Ford Village and are keen to speak to anyone who lived in Ford or has any memories, anecdotes or photographs that they would like to contribute to this exciting project. Please contact any of the following:

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748162

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477 8575

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748554

1st Stone Brownies—01296

655692

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01296 748113

Parish Magazine (Dinton)

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Pre-School, Dinton Village Hall

Valerie Partington—01296 747495

Village Hall Bookings (Dinton)

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BUS SERVICE NO 112 –WEDNESDAY & FRIDAY

LEAVES FORD 10:27 — ARRIVES AYLESBURY 10.49

LEAVES AYLESBURY 13:01 — ARRIVES FORD 13.22