

## Langford Life Newsletter

### **Donations made by the Langford Village Community Association (LVCA)**



**LVCA were able to present donations this Financial Year as summarised below:**

Pictured above, Headmaster, Mr John Moffitt of Langford Village School received a cheque from the Langford Village Community Association (LVCA) for the sum of £344. The money will be used to provide more permanent equipment for the school playground.

Other donations were made to:

1st Langford Village Group Beavers — £68.80

1st Langford Village Scout Group Cubs — £68.80

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## Editorial

Peter Kavanagh

Welcome to issue 62 of the Langford Life *Newsletter*, I hope you find the contents enjoyable to read. I need regular contributions for the newsletter and welcome articles for publication. If you have something you wish to share or you know someone who would like to feature in an article in this newsletter—please get in touch with me.

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## Hall Schedule

### Mondays

Baby & Toddler Group 9.15-11.15am

Cubs 6.30-8.00pm

Post Natal Exercise 8.30-9.30pm (not 2nd Mon)

LVCA Meeting 2nd Monday each month 8.15pm

### Tuesdays

Music Box 9.30-11.30am

Freestyle Dance 4.30-5.30pm

Beavers 6.00-7.30pm

Square Dancing 8.00-10.00pm

### Wednesdays

Post Natal Exercise 10.00-12.00

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Aikido 6.30-10.00pm

### Thursdays

Rainbow 4.30-5.30pm

Brownies 6.00-7.30pm

Kick Boxing 7.30-8.30pm

### Fridays

Baby & Toddler Group 9.15-11.15am

Ballet 3.30-8.00pm

### Saturdays

Martial Arts/Keep Fit :9.30-10.30 am

### Sundays

Private Hire 5.00-7.00pm

## Message from the Chairman

### Dominic Cotter

As we approach Christmas 2009 I just wanted to thank the whole community for getting behind the Langford Village Community Association. And what a year it has been with many new people on Langford offering their time for nothing for the sake of the community. Thanks again must go to Abby Hughes who worked so hard for so many years making sure the hall ran smoothly and Andy Hindley who was our treasurer for a year and overhauled our payment system for hall users.

I also want to thank Mike Oke, our Secretary who also edited for Langford Life with the help of Ted Kingston and many others. Among their successes was introducing more colour into the publication. So many people comment on how professional it all looks.

The Langford Life baton has now been handed over to new editor Peter Kavanagh and many others who have produced this edition and I am sure you agree it looks great.

Despite the fact that I wasn't able to attend this years AGM it was so great to hear how many new people came to offer their support. In fact we now have several new members. Maggie Kavanagh has taken on the mammoth task of being our Treasurer, Michelle Roe is our new Hall Bookings Manager and Tamsin Ireland is our new Newsletter Distribution Co-ordinator.

We have also spent money this year renovating the hall including giving the building a fresh lick of paint, thanks to Vaune Worsford for doing this.

Matt Fincham has returned to help with social events including the production of Peach Boy held in the hall in November which I have no doubt was a great success.

We were pleased to be asked to lay a wreath at the remembrance service at the war memorial in November, especially with the importance attached to Bicester being a Garrison town at a time when so many families of Service Personnel in Oxfordshire have lost loved ones.

Remember, now is a great time to get involved and have some fun at the same time...we try and keep our monthly meetings as short as possible and welcome new ideas.

I look forward to working with as many people as possible in 2010!!!

[Chairman@langfordlife.org.uk](mailto:Chairman@langfordlife.org.uk)

Dominic



## Who's Who On Your LVCA Committee

Post	Name	Tel no.
Chairman	Dominic Cotter	241504
Treasurer	Maggie Kavanagh	324078
Community Affairs Committee Chair	Laura Patrick	
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Newsletter Advert Co-ordinator	Ted Kingston	325821
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Social Events Committee Chair	Matt Fincham	322166
Disco Equipment Manager	Dominic Cotter	241504

### Disclaimer

The LVCA exists to promote community spirit and improve the facilities and environment in Langford Village.

Langford Life is circulated free to all residents of Langford Village.

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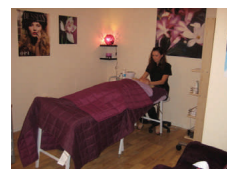
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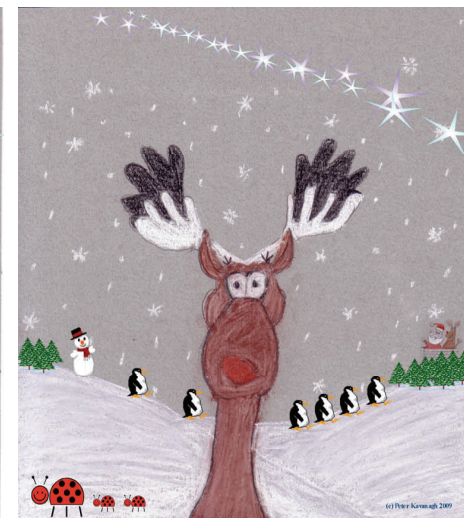


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### Children's Spot The Difference Competition.

Picture 1

Picture 2



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Children, get your parents to post your entry with your Name, Age, Address and Telephone Number to:

The Editor, Spot The Difference Competition, Langford Village Community Association (LVCA), 8 Community Hall, Nightingale Place, Bicester, OX26 6XX. The deadline is 8th Jan 2010 and the winner will be drawn and notified at the LVCA meeting on 11th Jan 2010.

## Langford Village (Bicester) WI

So, you think the WI is not for you? You feel it is only for older ladies? In the last year new WI's have been formed both in Oxfordshire and nationally. Many of these have been formed by young women who are interested in learning new crafts, listening to interesting speakers on varied subjects, making new friends and becoming involved in the ongoing campaigns including no more violence against women, climate change concerns, SOS for honey bees.

The WI offers something for everyone. Why not give us a whirl and visit Langford Village WI, which meets the first Wednesday of the month, 1:30pm to 3:30pm in the Community Hall.

If you are new to the community, want to make new friends and be involved you would be very welcome.

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## Rosemary finishes a 24,000 piece jigsaw puzzle



Grandmother Rosemary Mulvany of Langford Village has completed a 24,000 piece jigsaw puzzle. Rosemary who has previously completed hundreds of smaller puzzles started work on this puzzle after the loss of her son in 2001. Mrs Mulvany said: "I found working on the puzzle therapeutic and look forward to completing the next one."

When asked how she completed the puzzle, Mr Mulvany said: "I separated all the same colour jigsaw pieces first, it took a long time, but it helped me to complete the puzzle."

Mrs Mulvany's husband is very proud of Rosemary's achievements and they both would like to see the puzzle on display in a school, hospital or hospice.

Should anyone be interested in displaying the puzzle, please email Mr Mulvany - [cmmul@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:cmmul@hotmail.co.uk).

## 1st Langford Village Scout Group by Ellie Thompson,

Our Scout Group this year celebrated it's 15<sup>th</sup> Birthday and we celebrated this milestone with a Group outing to Warwick Castle. We travelled by train and were blessed with a beautiful sunny September day. The Cubs and Beavers had a great day exploring the castle, watching the birds of prey and climbing up the ramparts. We sang Happy Birthday in the central quadrangle and our eldest Cub and youngest Beaver blew out the candles on the birthday cake.

At the beginning of November 7 of our Cub Scouts attended the County Chief Scout's Silver Award Ceremony and were presented with certificates of achievement by The Lord Lieutenant of The County (who of course is the Queen's representative in Oxfordshire). This was a great honour for them all and we were really proud of them.

Congratulations to Adam Greenway, Jake Fincham, Harry Hutchinson, Peter Craft, Sam Hindley, Thomas Collette and Daniel Case. This is the highest award in the Cub Scout Programme and is not achieved by all Cub Scouts.

Both the Beaver Colony and Cub Scout Pack run very active programmes and are always on the lookout for adult support and help. If you would like to be involved in Scouting then please contact Ellie Thompson – 01869 322425



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**Friends of Langford Village School PTA**

by Hayley Durbin,

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The **Fireworks Extravaganza** was an amazing night for Langford Village School which attracted over 700 visitors. This was one of our biggest fund-raisers of the year and we are thrilled to have raised a staggering £1100 for the school. This will be spent on providing new playground equipment and new staging for the school hall. Thanks must go to everyone who was involved and who made it a great success—truly a fantastic night with great community spirit!



Pictures By: Peter Kavanagh

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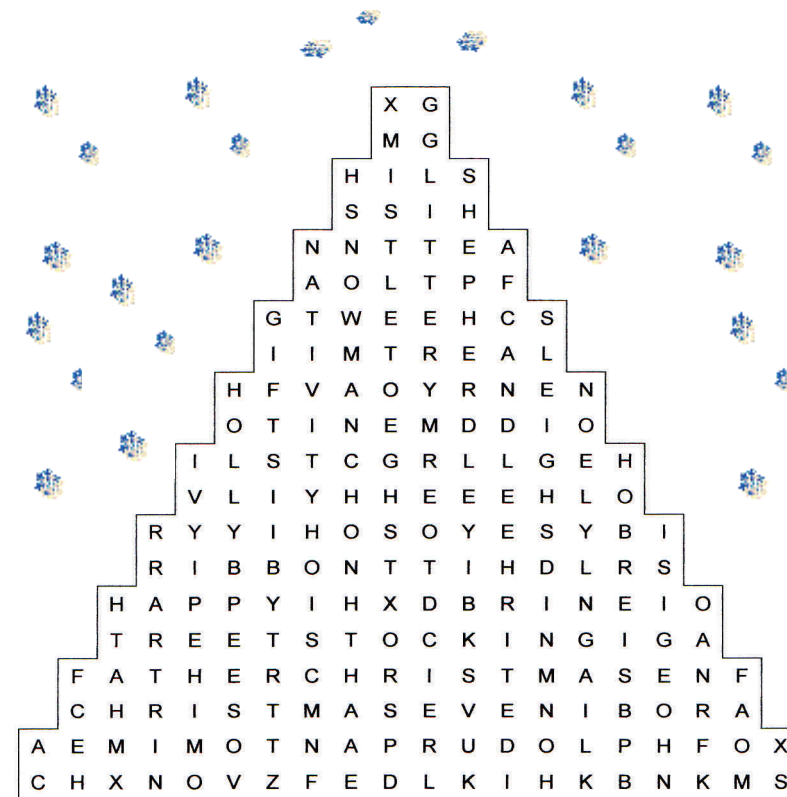
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Handful of mixed salad leaves

**Procedure:**

Grill the bacon until crisp.

Toast the bread on both sides. Spread 4 slices with mayonnaise and 2 with mustard.

Place two pieces of toast spread with mayonnaise on a bread-board and top with the grilled bacon and sliced tomatoes.

Place the toast spread with mustard on top of the grilled bacon and sliced tomatoes.

Top each of these slices with sliced chicken and salad leaves then finish with remaining toast.

Secure the sandwich with cocktail sticks. Cut the sandwiches in quarters and serve immediately.

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*Chef Pete*



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By Kim Rogers, Deputy Headteacher.

## **News from Langford Village Primary School**

### **Curriculum**

#### **Exciting Curriculum events**

**Year 6** have taken on the role of Shakespeare and rewritten and directed Macbeth- very Gruesome! **Coming up** the children will be involved in workshops to examine Tudor artefacts.

**Year 5** were taken back in time and evacuated. The scene felt incredibly real for the children which really enhanced their learning.

**Year 4** have been Egyptologists for the past two terms but most of them have been recovered from being mummified!

**Year 3** discovered what it was like in Space when they went into the Space dome.

**Year 2** became detectives investigating the 'Fire of Langford' and in their new topic are spending a lot of time in the dark! Not because we can't afford the electricity bill.

**Year 1** have turned into monsters or were they monsters before?

### **Parking promise**

Langford Village School is the second school in Bicester to use the parking promise scheme. Parents have signed up to pledge that they promise not to park on the zig zag lines outside the school. Olivia Stock designed the winning entry for the parking promise badge and Councillor Waine attended an assembly to thank the children for their work so far. Look out for the badges in car windows.

### **Thank you**

Last week we received a cheque for £344 from Langford Village Community association (LVCA). This came as a result of the '200 club' being closed. We are certainly very grateful for all the effort over the years to maintain this draw. We will be using the money to provide more permanent playground equipment in the playground

## **Sports**

This term has been a very exciting one for sporting events and activities. A hockey coach has been in school teaching the Year 6 how to play quick sticks.

They will be participating in the local hockey festival this month. Wish them luck!

The whole school took part in a sponsored fitness circuit alongside an inspirational Olympic champion. Larry Achike competed in the men's triple jump at the Beijing 2008 Olympic Games. He qualified for the final and placed seventh. The children were able to have a photograph with him. Larry demonstrated how he could jump 17 m in our school hall. The children have so far raised over £2,500.



Years 5 and 6 have been very lucky to experience the new facilities at the Bicester sports centre. They have been continuing with their swimming lessons, which they have been very enthusiastic about.

Mrs Fallaize and Mrs Collett will be leaving to take their maternity leave soon. We wish them the best for the future.

Finally we would like to thank Teri Barnett for her dedication and hard work in the role of lunchtime lady over the last few years.

Kim Rogers

Deputy Headteacher