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Merry Christmas

Editorial Note

Welcome to the December 2017 edition of our magazine. What a lovely month we have ahead of us with lantern making on the 9th for the Nativity with Lantern Procession on the 10th (p21), the Carol Service on the 17th (p3),Carols Round the Tree on the 14th (p27), and the Crib Service and Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve (p3). We have the Bowls Club Quiz evening on the 15th (p22), THACS Arts and Crafts Sale on the 2nd (p9), a Coffee Morning at the Rose and Crown on the 4th (p2) and a Christmas Fair at Tewin stores on the 8th (p25). This month's film is 'It's a Wonderful Life' on the 11th (p10).

After 16 years of bringing in the New Year to the sound of Paul Griggs (aka Paul Davids) there is a change of performer, Aimi P and Shadow Man, for 2017 (p14). Thank you Paul, Lynne and Vicki for many happy memories.

On a more mundane note, subscriptions are now due for 2018 (p3). I hope you have enjoyed the last year's magazines and continue to do so.

I wish you all a happy Christmas.

Please continue to send contributions for future editions of the magazine to tewinmagazine@gmail.com. The deadline is the 15th of the month, but the earlier the better.

Jackie Murphy, Editor

Coffee (& Tea) Morning at the Rose & Crown, Lower Green, Tewin. Mon 4th Dec 11am

Oaklands College has arranged for a small group of young people with special needs to gain regular work experience at the Rose & Crown. They've been coming one morning a week and it's been great to see them increase their work confidence and community involvement. On the morning of Monday 4th Dec they will be here at the Rose & Crown to serve you Tea, Coffee & Cake. All welcome, come along and meet them, bring a friend! Proceeds will go towards some enjoyable seasonal and community activities for these local young people.

Sean & Martine

Tewin Magazine: Price Held for 2018

The cost of the Tewin Magazine will remain at £6 a year for those who pay for the year in advance. If this includes you, please make it easy for your distributor/collector by having your money ready for them.

We are extremely grateful for the efforts of all the distributors throughout the year for faithfully delivering each issue of the magazine.

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16 Years of Paul Griggs

After 16 years of organising the New Years Eve party at The Village Hall, we have decided it is time to let someone else take over.

We would like to thank everyone for the support we have received over the years, especially with Vicki's "Moorfields" raffle which has raised a considerable amount of money. Thanks also to people who have donated raffle prizes especially Ivor and Linda Williams.

Finally a huge thank you to Alan and Sue Bonds for their invaluable help every year.

Paul, Lynne and Vicki Griggs

Tewin Parish Council



Panshanger Airfield.

Several parishioners have enquired about reports that Panshanger Airfield will be re-opened. All that we know so far, is that Welwyn Hatfield hope to have their new Local Plan approved by early 2018. This calls for a Masterplan to be developed for the provision of housing etc on the original airfield site. It also says "In addition, the Masterplan

will allow the opportunity for a realigned grass runway on land to the north of the Green Belt boundary." The Masterplan will be a pre-cursor to any planning applications. A group of supporters is operating under the title of "Project Phoenix" and have raised money "to develop a feasibility and awareness campaign.".

Speed Indication Device ("SID")

The SID installation was delayed due to lack of details on underground utilities. These have now been received and the installation has been re-scheduled to 22/11/17 to 25/11/17.

Rights of Way Mowing

The Parish Council has agreed to take over the mowing of the following Rights of Way from Herts County Council and agreed to accept Kirkham Contracting's quotes for mowing and strimming of FP 21, FP30, FP42 and BR62.

May Pond Green

The Parish Council has agreed to purchase a replacement Wild Service tree from Majestic Trees for May Pond Green.

Sevenacres Gulley

Hertfordshire Highways have completed the repair works to the gulley at the entrance to Sevenacres and a letter will be sent out in due course.

Pavilion Extension

A grant of $\pounds 10,000$ from the National Lottery Awards for All has been awarded to the Parish Council towards the extension works to the Pavilion.

Fencing

In light of the recent damage to the cricket square by someone driving over the green the Parish Council agreed to allow Tewin Cricket Club to install more robust fencing to protect the cricket square.

PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION

The next Parish Council meeting is on Monday 4th December 2017 at 7.45pm at Tewin Memorial Hall.

Agenda: Please notify the Clerk at least one week before the meeting if you wish to suggest items for discussion at the meeting. The agenda is published on the Notice Board outside Tewin Stores 3 working days before the

meeting. All Parishioners are welcome to attend and can make comments at the start of the meeting.

Minutes: These are displayed at Tewin Stores, Tewin Memorial Hall, at the bus shelter at the top of Desborough Drive and on the website

www.tewinvillage.co.uk. The minutes are not published until approved and signed at the subsequent meeting.

Newsletters/Meeting Dates: These are published on the website www.tewinvillage.co.uk

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Carols Around the Tree **On Lower Green** Thursday at 6pm **On 14th December Father Christmas Carol Singing and Songs Played By a Live Brass Band** Mulled Wine and Mince Pies **Hot Chocolate and Cupcakes BAFFLF** —in aid of Shelter

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Pew Cushions Up-date

Thanks to the extreme generosity of our many supporters, we quickly received donations which covered the whole cost of the cushions by the time that they arrived at St Peter's and were placed on the pews. We hope that those who have already experienced sitting on them think that they greatly improve the comfort of the pews, as well as enhancing the overall appearance of the church. Since the first batch of cushions arrived we have continued to receive donations and we can therefore contemplate extending the project to embrace the choir stalls, which were not originally included. Going ahead with this further stage depends on certain other factors which we hope to resolve soon. A further up-date will therefore be given as soon as possible.

Graham Spring, Treasurer

Screen On The Green

Our December film is that great feel-good Christmas classic: "*It's a Wonder-ful Life*" (1946). James Stewart stars as George Bailey who has spent his life helping others but whose world falls apart on Christmas Eve. Then a guard-ian angel comes to the rescue to show him how his town, family and friends would have turned out if he had not been born and this convinces him that his life has indeed been worthwhile. Directed by Frank Capra and also starring Donna Reed and Lionel Barrymore, this film was nominated for six Oscars, winning one for Technical Achievement.

You may well have seen it before but it's always worth another viewing at Christmas – it's the grandaddy of all feel-good movies. and as usual at our December showing there will be mulled wine and mince pies afterwards.

Other films for 2018 include:

22nd January Bicycle Thieves (1948) 19th February Rebel Without a Cause (1955) 19th March The Merchant of Venice (2004) 16th April Hidden Figures (2017) 21st May 84 Charing Cross Road (1986) 18th June The Tin Star (1957)

MONDAY 11 DECEMBER

Doors open 7pm for 7.45pm start. Complimentary teas and coffees beforehand. Ice cream on sale. Tickets from Tewin Stores or on the door, priced £4. Bring your own drinks and nibbles for a jolly night out at the Tewin Memorial Hall.

Marie St Pier

Save Those Stamps

Do you have any Target Stamps from the Welwyn and Hatfield Times? These can be used to benefit the Danesbury and QVM hospitals.

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Tewin Tennis Club



It may seem unseasonably close to Christmas to still be talking about tennis matches, but the Tewin team has just achieved a brilliant success in the Datchworth Autumn League. The club puts just one team into this series of matches that runs on Saturday afternoons throughout the autumn, and came out top of

the division, securing promotion for 2018. The inventory of team members is too long to list here, but congratulations to all who played, and especially David Rawlins who pulled it all together.

Wimbledon 2018. Yes it's some way in the distance but now is the time to get planning if you'd like the chance of tickets. First, members of Tewin Tennis Club should make sure that they are a 'British Tennis' member. It's easy to do online and 'Lite Membership' is free as long as you are a club member.

Joining means you are eligible for inclusion in Tewin Tennis Club's draw for tickets at the AGM in the Spring. Even if you don't want to go, please join British Tennis as every member who registers helps boost the club's allocation of tickets.

For those who want to double your chances, you still have time - just - to apply to the Wimbledon public ballot. Application forms are available until the 15th December.

Completed forms have to be submitted by the 31st December. In my experience, there's a decent chance that you'll be lucky.

A Happy Christmas to everyone and remember, the tennis courts are open 365 days a year. Don't let the cold put you off.

Peter Burgess

TEWIN MEMORIAL HALL

The Book Sale has broken previous records by making £715.40p at the Autumn sale. Thank you to all our helpers on the Friday afternoon and Saturday. We are constantly looking to update the book selection, so thank you to all who donated books and of course those that came and bought. To tide you over until the Spring you can swap your books free of charge at Tewin Stores anytime. See you in the Spring,

Linda Crawford.

New Year's Eve Party

Yes, it's going to happen and we hope you'll come along. It will be held at the Memorial Hall. Come and dance to the music of Aimi P and Shadow Man. Doors will open at 8 PM. Carriages at 1 AM. Tickets cost £20.

This is a fledgling year in the new planning for NYE. By popular request, we are inviting people to bring their own food and drink rather than organizing a fish and chips supper. This has the benefit of keeping the ticket price down to what is needed to pay for the Hall and provide live music.

Tickets will be on sale at Tewin Stores. The number of tickets is limited and there has been great interest so we advise you to get yours early.

For more information, contact Joanne or Malcolm Allen on 01438-798749.

Thanks.

Defibrillator Courses

Four courses incorporating CPR and how to use a defibrillator have now been run since the Spring and 52 people in the village have been trained. The courses were excellently run by a health professional, Janet Mig, who delivered a very hands on training. In her introduction she said that statistics indicate that defibrillators are used within two years of their installation.

Since the start of the training, three more defibrillators have been planned, one at the Memorial Hall, one at the Bowls club, and one at Burnham Green Village Hall, so there should be one near enough to everyone in Tewin. Thanks go to foresight of the Pavilion committee who sponsored the training, which was free to participants. Tewin is a forerunner in offering this training. Janet, our trainer, said that Tewin is one of the safest places to be because we now have so many residents capable of using this equipment!

Joanne Allen, Organizer

Team Vicar's Letter

Advent is a curious time. It is the beginning of a new church year. It invites us to count the days to Christmas but also to stretch our eyes beyond that, to the time when Christ will come again. During it in church we listen to prophecies from the past and use it as a time to prepare our hearts for meeting with the Christ-child. We sing the *O Antiphons* - the holy names of Christ. The church has no flowers, the vestments are purple, the advent wreath candles are lit week by week.

In more recent times I've been having some poetical dabblings. Here's a sonnet for the season....

The year, not yet over, begins again With its season ancient, yet ever new. We circle the date, yet we know not when; Church and trees bare, to uncloud our view. The days are shortening, world and soul turn to night Yet each week we see another wreath-flame; Flickering, making promise, increasing light. O Antiphons sing his holiest names. Past, present, future the eternal hand holds In this season of cosmic, kairos time. In penitent purple our shame can be told; Sweeping out sin to make way for the child. And so with prophets and patriarchs waiting we join Mary's vigil, our own hearts aching.

I wish you all a most holy Advent and joyous Christmas, when it comes.

Susannah

ST PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES							
DATE	DAY	SERVICE	TIME	MINISTER	1 ST READ- ING	2 nd READING	GOSPEL
DEC	lst SUNDAY OF ADVENT	HOLY COMMUN- ION	9.30 am	EDWARD CARDALE	ISAIAH 64: 1-9	1 CORIN- THIANS 1: 3-9	MARK 13: 24-End
3rd		ADVENT CAROLS AT ST MARY'S WELWYN	6.30pm AT ST MARY'S	TEAM	ADVENT	CAROL	SERVICE
10th	2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT	HOLY COMMUN- ION	9.30am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD DOMINIC HOLROYD- THOMAS	ISAIAH 40: 1-11	2 PETER 3: 8-15a	MARK 1: 1-8
17th	3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT	FAMILY SERVICE WITH NATIVITY	11.15am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	JOHN 1: 6-8, 19-28		
		CAROL SERVICE	6.30pm	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD			
	4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT CHRISTMAS EVE	SAID HOLY COMMUN- ION	9.30am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	2 SAM- UEL 7: 1-11, 16	ROMANS 16: 25-End	LUKE 1: 26-38
24th		CRIB SERVICE	5pm	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD			
		MIDNIGHT MASS	11.30pm	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD CATHERINE JUPP	ISAIAH 52: 7-10	HEBREWS 1: 1-4, 5-12	JOHN 1: 1-14
25th	CHRISTMAS DAY	ALL-AGE HOLY COMMUN- ION	9.30am	SUSAN MARSH	ISAIAH 9: 2-7	TITUS 2: 11-14	LUKE 2: 1-14, 15-20
31st	lst SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS	HOLY COMMUN- ION	9.30am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD COLIN HULL	ISAIAH 61: 10- 62: 3	GALA- TIANS 4: 4-7	LUKE 2: 15-21

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DEC 3rd DAVID	ALISTAIR BUCHANAN	ELAINE FOWLER PAULINE SPRING	QUEENIE SIMMONS	ADVENT	GLORIA KERSEY
10th KEITH	MARY GREGG	PETE JOHNSON TBC	GLORIA KERSEY	ADVENT	PAULINE SPRING
17th KEITH	KEITH BARNFIELD	MYRA WALKER DI BRADLEY	PETE JOHNSON	CHRISTMAS FLOWERS	DOROTHY SWANN
		KEITH BARNFIELD MARK SWANN			
PAULINE 24th DAVID	PAULINE SPRING	LINDA GILLEY GRAHAM SPRING		CHRISTMAS FLOWERS	
		MARK GREGG MAVIS HAGGAR			
	LINDA GILLEY	KEITH BARNFIELD MALCOLM SLAUGHTER			
25th PAULINE	PAULINE SPRING	MYRA WALKER DI BRADLEY			
31st PAULINE	ELAINE FOWLER	PETE JOHNSON MARY GREGG	DOROTHY SWANN	CHRISTMAS FLOWERS	NICKY HADLEY

St Peter's News

A big thank you to everyone who helped and or supported the St Peter's Christmas Fair recently and especially to Nick and Clare for taking the responsibility of organising it. This event makes a significant contribution to Church funds and details about that will be available shortly.

The attendance at our Remembrance Service on 12th November was very encouraging and the £251 raised will be sent to the Royal British Legion. It was lovely to welcome the Brownies and Rainbows. The Brownies had made special poppies for the day which they attached to the yew trees before the service and these have been much admired .This Service followed the School Remembrance Service on Friday 11th when Chestnut Tree Class led us in some beautiful readings, songs, presentations and prayers. A number of the children had written their own poems and these were of a very high standard – very beautiful and moving.

It is interesting to note that over 1500 bell ringers were killed during the Second World War. Our own bell ringers at St. Peter's are an important part of our Church life, ringing not only for services but also weddings and other special occasions, some of them national. Bell ringing has been an integral part of national and Church life over hundreds of years. A recent report after a survey (yes, another survey) has shown that the number of bell ringers across the country is in very serious decline and there is a real concern that in many Churches the ringing of the bells will have to abandoned. The situation at St Peter's is not as serious, but even so we need to recruit new people to bell ringing so that we are able to continue the tradition. Anyone who is interested (over the age of 12, please) can contact our Bell Tower Captain, David Hall, on 01707 884274. David can provide all the information about training, practise evenings etc.

As Christmas approaches there is a full schedule of Services listed in the centre pages of this magazine. Our Annual Carol Service is once again to held in the evening of 17th December. The community Nativity takes place at 4.30 p.m. on 10th December. Everyone if welcome to any of the services/ events and we look forward to seeing you.

PB

BAPTISM

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Or just come along!

ADVENT

In the Christian seasons of the year, Advent is a time of looking forward and of preparation for Christmas. For a moment, I am looking back about 70 years. Post war rationing, not much money. Not much to buy, clothing coupons. Except for the pubs, a very alcohol free environment. Was it all bad? One thing was very different. Almost everybody knew what Christmas was really about. They knew that Father Christmas was not a biblical figure. So, in that sense, it was the good old days. We all know how it has changed into today's commercial extravaganza and financial struggle for many. Genuine enjoyment with family and friends perhaps but at a heavy cost. How about the act of looking forward? Being unprepared is a danger Jesus spoke about in the story of the virgins at the wedding feast who had not the oil for their lamps. He also in the opposite way spoke to the over anxious about the birds and the flowers, beautifully decked out and unworried. I imagine that the trick is to find a balance between the two so as to not allow looking forward to good things or bad things to steal the present moment.

Ted Sharp



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Sunday 24th December 2017 in memory of Joy Barker with love from all the family.

Christmas Night 2017 Remembering Mum, Dad, Jim, Nan and Popeye and all our wonderful Christmases together. Love always, Gerry, Graham, Gemma and Susie.

Sunday 31st December 2017 in loving memory of Kit and Bert Fernee, from Mavis and Tony Haggar and family.

THE TEWIN NATIVITY A PLAY FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

SUNDAY 10TH DECEMBER 4.30 – 5.30pm

Wrap up warmly and come join us at St Peter's Church, Tewin. A lantern procession will follow Mary and Joseph to the barn. A memorable experience for young and old as we bring the true meaning of Christmas to life.

Entrance is free but tickets are required as numbers are limited. Tickets are available from St Peter's Church, Tewin Stores and Tewin School.

A collection will be taken in aid of Oxfam.

SATURDAY 9th DECEMBER 10.00am – noon Tewin School: Join us in making lanterns for the procession. Materials will be provided. £3. For children and their parents/carers

BOWLS CLUB NEWS



We had a very successful Autumn Fayre, co-ordinated with the Village Book Sale. Thank you to all the villagers who came for lunch and spent money at the stalls. Sue Whitbourn won the Christmas Cake with a near accurate guess for the weight and several villagers won raffle prizes. It was lovely to see so many of you coming for refreshment and a chat. Our last Supper and Quiz night for 2017 will be on Friday

15th December at 7 for 7.30pm. If you wish to come, our cook needs to know beforehand for catering purposes, so please come and sign the list in the clubhouse, which is open on Friday evenings and Sunday lunchtimes. Alternatively, contact Rob Kenway on 07552 780236 or Todd Canton on 01438 717395.

Finally we wish you all a Happy Christmas and a peaceful, healthy New Year.

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Tewin Stores

Following last year's successful Christmas cheese and wine evening we are holding a Christmas Fair evening on Friday December 8th from 5-9pm. This this year we are adding homemade fruit cakes, crafts and Tewin Stores' own label products, some of which have been purchased especially for

Christmas. There will be "free mince pies and a nip of sherry" for those who attend. We look forward to seeing all our loyal customers and especially those who come from outside the village.

There will be no Saturday lunch during December but a free mince pie will be given to all those who buy a hot drink in our café throughout December. Thank you to all who have supported our Saturday lunches. Not only do they add to our profits but it is a lovely way of meeting up with friends each month.

For some time we have had difficulty in manning the shop on a Saturday but we are now in the position of being able to offer a wage to a reliable person. All training will be given but any previous work experience in a shop would be helpful. We generally have one or two young people, who are doing their Duke of Edinburgh Award, helping so you would never be on your own. If you would like to know more, please ring our shop manager Bev on 01438 717929 or e-mail <u>tewinstorevolunteers@gmail.com</u>

The November winners of the 100 club were:

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Linda Crawford Vice-Chairman, Tewin Shop Committee Tewin Shop Committee

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Friends of Tewin



CAROLS AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE (Organised on behalf of Tewin Parish Council)

The fun starts at 6pm on Lower Green and we are thrilled that Father Christmas and Mrs Christmas will join us, they should arrive about 6.15pm. We are also pleased to tell you that our regular brass band will play along as we sing some of our favourite Christmas songs and Carols.

Hot chocolate, mulled wine, mince pies and cakes will be available to help keep out the winter chills. St Peter's Church will hold a raffle and because Friends of Tewin donate the prizes, it means every penny collected will go to the charity Shelter. The draw will take place around 7pm.

Please come and join us for this family occasion. It's a lovely way to round off our calendar of annual events.

PLEASE NOTE: If the weather is bad, we will hold the event in Tewin Cowper School Hall. Please keep your children very close to you during the dark evening. The roads around Lower Green will be very busy and the children's safety is always a worry to us.

MINCE PIES APPEAL: We are looking for people who enjoy baking and are happy to donate home-made Mince Pies for this event. Please add your name to the list in Tewin Stores or contact Roe on 01438 717336 or Anne on 01438 718505.

DONATIONS

We have received quite a lot of requests from village groups asking for financial support and we will work through them over the next couple of months.

And finally, at this time of year, it is good to look back and take the opportunity to express our gratitude to everyone who has given their time to help and support our events in 2017. All the Friends of Tewin Committee wants to thank each and every one of you. It isn't an exaggeration to say that we couldn't manage without you.



We wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Anne Hall Chairman



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Friends of Danesbury & Queen Victoria Memorial Hospital

"we are in excellent health and as active as ever in our support of Danesbury Neurological Centre and Queen Victoria Memorial Hospital."

This was the message from the Trustees at the Friends' Annual General Meeting at the end of October. The level of support we receive, largely through sales at our Welwyn shop, enable us to provide real help to patients, their families and the professionals who care for them.

We are all aware of the pressures on NHS services, and the need for them to maximise their resources. In practice this means that the various establishments within the Herts NHS Community Trust will need to work more closely together sharing both facilities and talent to ensure that patients receive the best possible care. For the Friends this may well present new challenges and opportunities. Indeed, we are already seeing new requests for help. It may be appropriate for us to revisit the ways in which we provide support for those who need our help. If this is the case, we are confident that we are well able to do what is needed.

Christmas is very nearly upon us and so it is timely to 'gently' remind you to take advantage of bargains to be found in our shop. You will find gift ideas for all ages as well as a terrific selection of party clothes. Look hard and you may find some of the most exclusive 'labels'. Be sure to check our window displays and our own design Christmas cards.

On a quite different note we welcome foreign currency – coins, notes, preeuro, whatever. It all goes to help our activities.

May we thank you for all the support we have received in the past year and wish everyone a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

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Isabel Hospice Lights of Love

2nd December

Hertford – Hertford Castle 4pm

This festive season Isabel Hospice are warmly inviting local people to celebrate the life of someone special and make a dedication in their memory at one of their 8 Lights of Love remembrance ceremonies.

Each ceremony has a Christmas tree adorned with bright lights, which are symbolic of the lives that will be celebrated. Following the service of remembrance and carol singing, the ceremony will end with the switching on of the lights.

16th December The Old Library, Hertford

Pop Up Cinema in aid of Isabel Hospice Two Films to choose from Elf - Doors open at 4:45pm for the film to start at 5pm.

Tickets are £10 per person which includes one drink and sweetie cone. Children to be accompanied by an adult at all times.

Grease - Doors open 7.45pm film starts at 8pm

The evening can be anything you wish, a group of friends, a girlie night or couples, entirely up to you. Dressing up in Grease outfits is an option to get you in the mood, it would be great to see a few Sandy's and Danny's come along. £20 per ticket which includes two drinks (wine or beer). ONE SHOWING ONLY OF EACH FILM AND LIMITED PLACES SO PLEASE CONTACT Laura Blight on 07703 538255 for tickets.

19th December

Carols in the Chapel for Isabel Hospice Haileybury Chapel, Hertford Heath 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM

Join us for a wonderful evening of carols in the beautiful candlelit chapel at the prestigious Haileybury, the perfect way to celebrate the festive season. This year, the Braughing Sing will be performing and we will be inviting the audience to sing along to their favourite Christmas Carols. Tickets are £20, and this price will include festive refreshments and entry into our draw to win a luxury Christmas Hamper with the lucky winner to be announced on the night. For more information please contact Beth on 01707 382535 or at **www.isabelhospice.org.uk**

Dat	tes For Y	our Diary	This Month
Tues Tewin School		7-10.00pm	Table Tennis 7-8pm Juniors 7-10.00pm Adults
Wed	Memorial Hall	9.30-11am	Parent and Toddler Group
Thur	Lower Green	9.25am	Footpath walks of Tewin
Thur	Memorial Hall	1.30-4.30pm	50+ Club
Fri	Tewin Stores	2.30-3.30pm	Trussells Butcher's Van
Thurs 7th & 21st	Pavilion	2.15-5.00pm	Bridge
Thurs 14th	St Peter's Church	2-3pm	Little Lambs
Sat 2nd	Memorial Hall	10am-4pm	THACS Arts & Crafts Sale
Fri 8th	Tewin Stores	5-9pm	Christmas Fair
Sun 10th	St Peter's Church	4.30-5.30pm	Nativity Play with Lantern Procession – ticket only
Mon 11th	Memorial Hall	7pm	Screen on the Green 'It's a Wonderful Life'
Thurs 14th	Lower Green	6pm	Carols Round the Tree
Sun 17th	St Peter's	6.30pm	Carol Service
Sun 31st	Memoriall Hall	8pm	New Year's Eve Party
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