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**Merry Christmas** 

# CAROLS AROUND THE CHRISTMAS TREE 6.30pm 18<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER LOWER GREEN



**Brass Band** 

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In the event of bad weather we will relocate to Tewin Cowper School Welcome to the December 2024 edition of the Tewin Magazine. I wish all our readers a very Happy Christmas and a joyous 2025.

I am always happy to receive photos for possible inclusion in the Magazine. Please send to tewinmagazine@gmail.com.

#### Events this month are:

Arts, Craft & Gift Sale on 7th (p9), Carols on the Green on 14th (p2). Hertford Chamber Choir are performing on 21st (p13), St. Peter's Carol Concert is on 22nd (p27). Tewin Stores is the venue for a Festive lunch on 14th (p29).

Screen on the Green is showing 'Amélie' on 9th (p10) and the Technology Advice Session is on 12th (p30).

Further afield the free monthly concert at St Mary's, Welwyn is on the 7th (p16) and the WGC Music Society Concert is on 14th (p28).

Other events can be found in Dates For Your Diary (p33).

Please note that the deadline for the January 2025 issue of the Magazine is **Tuesday 10th December 2024.** 

**Trussells Butcher's Van** is outside the shop on Fridays from 1.30-2.45pm. Call 01438 812304 if you wish to order in advance.

A Mobile Fish Van is at Burnham Green on Wednesdays from 12-12.30pm. Call Kelvin on 07847 176847 for orders.

Please continue to send contributions for future editions of the magazine to tewinmagazine@gmail.com. The deadline is the **10th** of the month, but the earlier the better.—Jackie Murphy, Editor

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#### **Tewin Parish Council**



#### <u>HIGHWAYS</u> <u>Churchfield Road Bridge Works</u>

The resurfacing and white lining on Churchfield Road has been completed.

Thanks to Herts Councillor Ken Crofton and East Herts Councillor Bob Deering for chasing this.

#### Holly Bushes

Following several accidents reported at this junction a fault report was submitted to Highways for the white lining to be repainted. This has now been put on the list for future works as these type of works are not deemed urgent. The hedge around the Give Way signs has been trimmed so they are more visible now. The Parish Council suggested that the second sign could be moved across the road onto an existing signpost for even greater visibility. East Herts Councillor Bob Deering agreed to raise this with Herts Highways.

#### WINTER GRITTING

With winter approaching you can check when roads are being gritted by googling "HCC gritting".

#### **DOG FOULING**

Please use the existing litterbins for dog mess bags.

#### KEEP TEWIN TIDY

Rather than leave an old domestic appliance out in front of your property please dispose of unwanted domestic appliances properly at the new Welwyn Garden City recycling centre on Tewin Road.

#### PLEASE USE THE SATURDAY COMMUNITY MINIBUS

The Minibus visits WGC and Morrisons leaving at 9.30am on Saturdays from the Rose & Crown for only £3 return.

You can be picked up and dropped off at any safe location on the route so just notify Ann when making your booking. To book your place call Ann Kevis on 01438 717473

#### NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 2nd December 2024 and then 3rd February 2025

All meetings start at 7.45pm and are held at Tewin Memorial Hall.

#### PARISH COUNCIL INFORMATION

Website: www.tewinvillage.co.uk

**Agenda**: Please notify the Clerk at least one week before the meeting if you wish to suggest items for discussion. The agenda is published on the Notice Board outside Tewin Stores & website 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 and on the website. The minutes are not published until approved and signed at the subsequent meeting.

**Meeting Dates and Newsletters**: These are published on the website. **Queries** :

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distributors who deliver in all kinds of weather. Some have delivered for many years.

**Cash or cheque payable to "St Peter's Church Tewin PCC", please**. Regretfully our distributors do not have cash machines.

We are happy to say that there has been no increase from last year.

A big thank you to all the valued distributors and everyone involved, especially Jackie Murphy for producing such an interesting Magazine.

If you don't currently subscribe and would like a monthly delivery then please contact me, Sue Whitbourn, on 01438 798221. Otherwise purchase can be made in Tewin Stores or St Peter's Church at 80p per copy.

Please continue to save used postage stamps, especially Christmas and Foreign, for charity, Guide Dogs for the Blind (box in the shop).

With very best wishes for 2025.

On This Day				
20 <sup>th</sup> December 1880	Charles F Brush demonstrated his arc lamps			
	along Broadway, preceding Thomas Edison's			
	incandescent light bulb in commercial use			
22 <sup>nd</sup> December 1882	Edward H Johnson, a colleague of Thomas Edi			
	son, created the first string of electric Christmas			
	tree lights			
28 <sup>th</sup> December 1895	the Lumière brothers projected the first moving			
	pictures onto the wall of the Grand Café on the			
	Boulevard des Capucines, Paris			



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#### **Phone Service – Piloting Live Calls**

After listening to feedback from clients and advisers, we are trialling taking live calls. Clients are now given two options when they call our Message Line - to speak directly to an adviser on the Hertfordshire Adviceline, or to leave a message for a call back within three working days. If the Adviceline option is taken, the call is transferred to a freephone number so there are no charges.

We have a number of advisers currently answering live calls. Other Hertfordshire Citizens Advice offices also answer calls, so an East Herts client may be helped by a different office, although they'll be referred back to us if they need ongoing support.

We will be running the trial for three months and will use client satisfaction feedback, client outcomes and adviser feedback to decide whether to continue or expand supporting people this way. We will return to our Message Line if feedback is negative.

#### **VENUE IDEAS**

We are keen to see more clients face to face and provide more spaces for our advisers to work together, so we are looking for free or subsidised venues we can use one day a week, particularly in Bishop's Stortford and Hertford, so please email

mcwatterse@citizensadviceeastherts.org.uk if you know anywhere that might be suitable.

#### **Churchyard Working Party**

Many thanks from Gerry and David to those who helped on the Churchyard working party on 9th November. The next one will be in early January 2025. Hope to see you then.



Jewellry - Ceramics -Wood Turning - Textiles Soft Furnishings - Glasswa<mark>re - knitware etc.</mark>

Tewin Memorial Hall AL6 0JX Saturday 7 Dec 10am-4pm

Free Entry • Refreshments • Charity Cake Stall

#### Screen On The Green

Our December film, showing on Monday the 9<sup>th</sup>, is **Amélie** a fanciful, romantic comedy from 2001. It's a sheer delight - an enchanting, uplifting tale guaranteed to lift the spirits in the run-up to Christmas. It stars Audrey Tatou as Amélie, a shy quirky waitress in a Paris cafe who overcomes a sad childhood and grows up to bring cheer to others and joy to herself. A modern day fairy tale, she finds charm in the small things that can make people happy.

Directed by Jean-Pierre Jeunet with a delightful score by Yann Tiersen, *Amélie* received widespread critical acclaim, winning numerous awards and is one of the biggest international successes for a French film. *Amélie* is shown in French with English sub-titles.

As is our custom in December, we will be serving a festive drink so do come along for a fun evening at your local village cinema amongst friends and neighbours..

Films to look forward to next year include *The Holdovers, East of Eden, Breathless , Ex-Machina* and *Chinatown*.

#### **MONDAY 9 DECEMBER**

Doors open 7pm for 7.45pm start at Tewin Memorial Hall. Complimentary tea or coffee. Ice cream on sale. Tickets from Tewin Stores or on the door, priced £4. Bring your own drinks and nibbles.

Marie St Pier

#### **On This Day**

24 <sup>th</sup> December 1903	the first car registration plate, A1, was issued
	to Earl Russell, the brother of the philosopher
	Bertrand Russell
1 <sup>st</sup> December 1913	the world's first moving assembly line was
	opened by carmakers, Ford



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Tues 9.30am until 12.00 pm Fri

#### 13.30pm until 4.00 pm

#### **Tewin Memorial Hall Draw**

Here are the winners for October's Supporters Club Draw.

1 <sup>st</sup>	£47	Pauline Spring, Hertford Road
2 <sup>nd</sup>	£28	Diane Hagger, Godfries Close
3 <sup>rd</sup>	£9	Alexandra Woodward, Upper Green
3 <sup>rd</sup>	£9	Eric Fishwick, Godfries Close

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- Tewin Memorial Hall
- **Tewin Stores** •
- www.tewinvillagehall.co.uk/supporters-club .

#### Saturday Recitals in St Mary's Welwyn on 7 December and 11 January at 12 noon

For the *Second Saturday Recital* on 7 December at 12 noon we are excited to welcome the prize-winning **London Piano Duo** playing four-hands piano.

The London Piano Duo was formed in early 2023 by Connor Heraghty and Daisy Ou. They have performed four-hands repertoire at important concert venues in the UK and Europe. Formed after their studies at The Guildhall School of Music & Drama, the duo recently won the *Recondite Armonie International Piano Competition* in Italy. Connor and Daisy both studied at the Guildhall with the renowned Senior Professor of Piano, Joan Havill, and are both *Talent Unlimited Artists*.

As a soloist, Connor has performed at Wigmore Hall, Buckingham Palace, and the Fazoli Concert Hall. He was awarded the Fellowship of the Keyboard Department at Guildhall. Connor will be performing Beethoven's '*Moonlight Sonata*' and some Rachmaninoff in Welwyn.

Described as an 'exceptional talent' by the *Daily Telegraph* and as "commanding the stage with panache" by the *Evening Standard*, Australianborn pianist Daisy Ou has performed throughout Australia, the United States, the United Kingdom, and Europe. Daisy will play Debussy's 'Reflets dans l'eau' as part of this concert.

Daisy and Connor said: "We are very excited to bring a programme to St Mary's Welwyn which offers a mix of solo and duo works showcasing the broad range of possibilities the piano has to offer. Performing the everpopular *Carnival of the Animals* by Saint-Saens as a piano duo is particularly enjoyable for us as it presents a journey through the animal kingdom, blending humour and virtuosity in its various movements."

These concerts are free to attend, with a collection afterwards to provide artists' fees and support the church's work to introduce youngsters to singing and music generally.

By Stephen Foster, Director of the Second Saturday Recitals

#### Team Vicar's Letter



A family I know buys new Christmas tree decorations every year. Some years the tree is all purple and silver stars, another year it will be hanging with pink feathers. One year everything was gold and green baubles, but the next Christmas the tree became a woodland wonderland of pine cones, hedgehogs, golden apples and foxes.

In our house we pull out the same decorations that we have done for thirty years. Many of them come with a specific memory such as a tiny angel given to me by a friend who has since died, or a surprising hummingbird bought on a special trip to New York. Indeed we have a decoration which marks that first Christmas in the pandemic. It's a little clay star and it says something rather rude about 2020, so we hang it round the back of the tree, so as not shock visiting aunts.

But whether your Christmas follows age old family traditions or is endlessly creative and new, the message stays the same; God, in his love, takes on human-form and is made known among us. Glory is found in the poverty of a stable. Love is revealed in the frailty of a child. Emmanuel – God with us. God with you. God with me. In the mess and muddle of ordinary human life hope is revealed.

And whether your tree is adorned with Victorian glass baubles, pink feathered angels, sweet smelling orange slices or indeed flying saucers and green aliens (yep folks, that's a John Lewis special for this year) I wish you a most holy and blessed Christmas, when it comes.

Susannah

		ST PET	ER'S CH	URCH SERV	ICES		
DATE	DAY	SERVICE	TIME	MINISTER	1 <sup>st</sup> READING	2 <sup>ND</sup> READING	GOSPEL
DEC 1st	1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT	HOLY COMMUN- ION Team Advent Service at St Mary's Welwyn	9.30am 6.30pm	EDWARD CARDALE	JEREMIAH 33 : 14-16	1 THESSA- LONIANS 3 : 9-End	LUKE 21 : 25-30
8th	2nd SUNDAY OF ADVENT	HOLY COMMUN- ION WITH BAPTISM	9.30am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	BARUCH 5 Or MALACHI 3: 1-4	PHILIPPI- ANS 1: 3-11	LUKE 3 : 1-6
15th	3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT	MORNING PRAYER Datchworth Nativity at The Horns	9.30am 4pm	JOHN BURNAPP SUSANNAH UNDEROOD	ZEPHA- NIAH 3 : 14-End	LUKE 3 : 7-18	
	4th SUNDAY OF ADVENT	HOLY COMMUN- ION	9.30am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD	MICAH 5: 22-5a	HEBREWS 1 : 5-10	LUKE 1: 39-45
22nd		CAROL SERVICE	6.30pm	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD			
24th	CHRISTMAS EVE	CRIB SERVICE MIDNIGHT MASS	9.30am 11.30pm	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD			
25th	CHRISTMAS DAY	ALL AGE COMMUN- ION	10.00am	EDWARD CARDALE	ISAIAH 9: 2-7	TITUS 2: 11-14	LUKE 2: 1-14
29th	1st SUNDAY OF CHRISTMAS	HOLY COMMUN- ION	9.30am	SUSANNAH UNDERWOOD JOHN BURNAPP	1 SAMUEL 2 : 18-20, 26	COLOS- SIANS 3 : 12-17	LUKE 2 : 41—E1

Service of Said Evening Prayer is held every Monday at 5pm

ROTAS						
SERVER	READER	SIDESMEN	COFFEE	FLOWERS	CLEANER	
DEC 1st PAULINE	MARY GREGG		QUEENIE SIMMONS	ADVENT	DOROTHY SWANN	
8th	NICKY HADLEY		ROZ HODEN	ADVENT	GLORIA KERSEY	
15th	ROZ HOLDEN		LINDA GILLEY	ADVENT	JANET ROBINS	
22nd	KAREN SHAW		ТВА	ADVENT	SABINE STANLEY	
PAULINE	TBA		LINDA GILLEY			
24th	TBA	PAULINE BROWN		CHRISTMAS FLOWERS	CHRISTMAS	
25th PAULINE	TBA	GRAHAM SPRING	LINDA GILLEY	CHRISTMAS FLOWERS	DITTO	
29th	NICK WHITING		ТВА	CHRISTMAS FLOWERS	VOLUNTEER NEEDED	

The Church will be floodlit on Christmas night for the Fish family. "Remembering as always with much love, Mum, Dad, Jim, Nan and Popeye and our wonderful Christmases together". From Graham, Geraldine, Gemma and Susie

#### **St Peter's News**

A church at the heart of the village, with space for all In November the diocese starts to compile the statistics of attendance and use of the church during the past year. It is also a good opportunity to pick out the highlights. This year seems awfully long to me but at the same time it seems to have gone very quickly. What a conundrum!

So, for the record, we have held services at St Peter's every Sunday of the year with an average attendance of 35 people. It is so good to report also that Messy Church, which began only in summer 2023, now regularly hosts 25+ children with 20 adults. In addition, there have been 6 weddings, 8 funerals, 3 baptisms, including one at Messy Church.

Smaller private ceremonies have taken place for the Burial of Ashes of 3 people. A few people attend Evening Prayer on Monday evenings. Special services took place at Easter and Harvest as well as visits from Tewin Cowper School several times when the weather permitted.

The Bell ringers practise every Wednesday evening as well as ringing most Sunday mornings and also for weddings. They also welcome visiting groups to pull at Tewin or to train new ringers. The SAVoce choir practises at St Peter's about 20 evenings a year and occasionally puts on a concert. In short, the church is well used throughout the week and because it is open every day from about 9.00am to dusk, many visitors call in and often leave comments in the Visitors' Book. You would be surprised to see those from couples who were married here 40, 50 or 60 years ago, returning to their old haunts! Not to mention those researching their family histories who have found an ancestor who lived in Tewin 150 years ago. If they leave contact details, I get in touch with them!

Other highlights this year have been, in no particular order,

• our Lent course based on pictures from the Methodist Church's collection of religious art, which was on display in WGC at the time, \* our trip to the Abbey for the celebration of the 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Ordination of Women,

\* the wonderful turnout of helpers for the May Spring Clean – it has been so much brighter with clean windows this year!

\* Messy Church at Easter with Easter crafts and an egg hunt

\* the Garden Openings at Petertide

\* Summer Evensongs – we said farewell to Pete Johnson at the Tewin event

\* The Poetry Pilgrimage from Datchworth to Tewin – over 30 people attended. Susannah will advertise this more widely next year when we hope to host 50.

\* A massive wedding at the end of June – I was sorry to miss this(!)

\* a huge funeral at the end of October.

\* A big meeting in the clock tower with members of the Diocesan Advisory Committee, our District and County Councillors, the Herts Conservation Officer, The East Herts Planning Officer, Historic England rep and our project team for the new meeting room. And Yes we did get a decision out of them!!

And now we have the run up to Advent and Christmas and before that - the Church Christmas Bazaar. This will have very much appeal for families this year so do bring your small people and enjoy browsing for gifts and trying the tombola and raffle.

I have a dreadful cold so will stop there and remind you that all the services are shown here on the Centre pages. Do come to the candlelit Carol Service on 22<sup>nd</sup> December and Midnight Mass on Christmas Eve, the Crib Service for families on Christmas Eve. On Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December at 5.30pm we are hosting the Hertford Chamber Choir's concert. See advertisements (p13) for where to buy tickets.

As ever - if you have lost loved ones recently, or are in poor health or spirits, please remember the Welwyn team of clergy are there to give support. Contact : The Rev'd Susannah Underwood

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#### **Tewin Tennis Club**



We've had some fine Autumn days for tennis in November, and despite the chill in the air, exercise soon warms the

cockles and layers of warm clothing can be removed. Just don't forget the sunglasses and hat to shield that low sun in the middle of the day. Our quiz night at the beginning of November was another big success, with six teams of eight making a pretty good stab at most of the rounds, the most tricky of which seemed to be the questions on tennis! My team managed about three out of ten correctly, which knocked us out of the running. Congratulations to Ruth, Damien, Liza, Mike, Louise, Rupert and Sabine the overall winners. Their knowledge of popular music was unbeatable.

Our tennis ball recycling initiative has gone extremely well with 225 balls deposited by mid-November. We need to get that up to 250 before the recyclers will take them and we remain intrigued to know what will actually happen to them!

We've notice that mud occasionally gets onto the Tiger Turf court surfaces, brought in by footwear, so please can you make sure the soles of your tennis shoes are clean before you enter the courts.

The tennis Club AGM will take place on Friday March 14. Please put that date in your diary now because we'd love to see as many members as possible. There will be much to discuss, and it will be time to say farewell to our Chairman, David Room, who will be retiring. That's it for December. Best wishes from the Tennis Club committee for a very happy Christmas.

Peter Burgess

#### On This Day

12 <sup>th</sup> December 1896	Guglielmo Marconi gave the first public demonstra tion of radio at Toynbee Hall, East London
28 <sup>th</sup> December 1904	the first weather reports relayed by wireless telegraphy were published in London
31 <sup>st</sup> December 1923	the BBC first broadcast the chimes of Big Ben to announce the New Year

#### **Tewin School Fireworks Night**

What a fabulous night we had again this year!

A huge thank you to everyone involved for making it happen, but especially to Nigel Walker for buying, setting up and lighting the fireworks; the Parish Council for loaning us their BBQ, cones and metal stakes; Stuart Kirkham for mowing the launch area ... and of course, our fabulous team of parent and teacher helpers.

And special thanks also go to Trussells Butchers for giving us a charity rate on their delicious burgers and sausages.

Finally, a big thank you to everyone who came along and supported the event. We hope you all had as good a time as we had! We are just tallying up the final costs and money in but it should be around £3,000 raised!

Thanks, Tewin Cowper PTA

#### FOOD BANK

As you will know from the news, many families are still struggling with the cost of living.

Last Christmas, due to your generosity, the people in the Village and Tewin Wood were able to give the local food bank lots of tins of food, Christmas puddings and other luxuries that make Christmas special but are unaffordable for many families.

As from the 1st December I shall put a box for non-perishable food donations outside my house, 19 LOWER GREEN, TEWIN and hope that once again we can enable everyone to have a better Christmas.

Thank you in anticipation for your kind donations and wishing you all a very happy Christmas and New Year.

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10am All-age Holy Communion



#### What is Winter Reads?

Winter Reads is a series of exciting reading challenges and events for all ages, taking place across Hertfordshire libraries until the end of January.

We have created a separate challenge for adults and children. You can either work through the challenges we set, or change them to suit you.

Here's how it works:

1. Pick up your challenge materials from your local library. Adults will get a Winter Reads bookmark and children receive a Winter Reads challenge card.

2. Complete and record your challenges on your bookmark or challenge card.

3. Return to your local library to get a stamp for each completed challenge.

Once you've finished 6 challenges you'll be entered into our prize draw to win an iPad (plus other fantastic runners-up prizes).

As well as being a great way to explore new books, authors and genres, Winter Reads is a brilliant opportunity to read together as a family or with friends

# Welwyn Garden City Orchestra and Chorus

Mendelssohn Symphony No.5 in D

Handel Messiah A Christmas sequence

# Christmas Music & Carols

Conductors: James Ross & Crispin Lewis Leader: Jonathan Acton

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St John's Church, Monks Rise, WGC, AL8

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#### **Tewin Stores and Cafe**

We hope you have popped into the Shop recently as we have so much going on for the Christmas celebrations. Of course, there is the Christmas raffle with great prizes which, importantly, makes a little money for the upkeep of the shop. Do buy a ticket. Or maybe several!

Then we have the Christmas hampers that we have put together with lots of lovely Tewin Shop goods for gifts to family, friends or just yourself - at £45. Don't forget the knitted Christmas Puddings that hide a Ferrero Rocher chocolate to hang on your Christmas tree.

The usual everyday goods are still there but if you need a box of greengrocery made up, please put your order in asap. Also, Trussels the butcher is there Friday afternoons to order any meats you want for Christmas.

So much is happening around this time but we mustn't forget the Festive meal on 14th Dec at 1.30pm, put together by Brenda, Jacquie and friends; and I believe even Father Christmas makes an appearance.

A special thank you to Lynn who keeps our tables inside and out looking cheerful with flowers throughout the year.

Last but not least, do check the dates and times of the Shop's opening during the festive holiday - see below.

Thank you for all your custom throughout the year, both Bev, our manager, and the Shop committee wish you all a Happy Christmas and Happy, Healthy New Year.

The 100 Club winners for November were:

1st Prize:	Irene O'Brien	£43.00
2nd Prize:	Ann Lee	£21.50
3rd Prize:	Elaine Wulcko	£12.90

Opening/Closing hours at Christmas and New Year Closed 25th/26th December and 1st January Open Saturday, Sunday Monday 28th, 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> as usual Open Friday 27th and Tuesday 31st December from 9am till 12noon

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OTHER TRIPS THIS YEAR HAVE INCLUDED VANSTONE PARK AND HITCHIN GARDEN CENTRES-25 return

Saturday minibus for passengers from Tewin Parish to Morrisons / Welwyn GC - £3 return 9.30am from the Rose & Crown, other pickups on request - wheelchair access and assistance Call Ann Kevis to book: 01438 717256



Tewin Over 50s Tewin Parish Council, Friends of Tewin HCC

#### Friends of Tewin



Christmas is almost upon us now and the Village is looking very festive with all the lights shining brightly around the Lower Green and in many front gardens.

As I said in last month's magazine, we are holding our popular Carols around the Christmas Tree on Lower Green and the date for your diary is Wednesday, 18<sup>th</sup> December commencing at 6.30 pm. I can confirm that our Brass Band will be with us again, so, please come along and join in with the singing, enjoy a mince pie, or perhaps a sausage roll, and keep warm with a glass of mulled wine or a hot chocolate. Santa's elves will be handing out goodies for the children. Should the weather be inclement we will gather in Tewin Cowper School Hall, so, please come along and celebrate this very special time of year with us, especially if you are new to the Village it's a lovely informal way to meet so many more villagers. Another date for your diary is Tuesday, 18<sup>th</sup> February 2025 when we will be hosting our popular Seniors' Lunch in the Memorial Hall. If you are 60 or over, look out for the flyer coming through your letterbox in the New Year. The lunch is very popular so decide which meal you would like and return the slip to one of the addresses shown on the flyer as soon as possible. It's a great opportunity to meet up with friends and neighbours, enjoy a home-cooked lunch and dessert, with

a glass of wine.

In signing off for this year, all of us in Friends of Tewin thank you so much for supporting us at all our village events during 2024. We wish you a very happy, healthy Christmas and offer you our best wishes for 2025.

Shirley – Chair Friends of Tewin Committee

#### **Book Sale**

Thank you to all who helped in some way at the recent Book Sale. I am happy to say we made our best profit so far of £720.23p. See you all in the Spring. Linda Crawford.



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### **Dates For Your Diary**

Mon	Rose & Crown	10.30am- noon	Knit and Natter
Tues	Tewin School	7-9 pm	Table Tennis
Wed	Memorial Hall	9.30– 11am	Parent and Toddler Group
Wed	Burnham Green	12-12.30pm	Mobile Fish Van
Wed	Memorial Hall	7.30-9pm	Tewin Ukelele Group (TUG)
Thurs	Lower Green	9.25am & 10am	Footpath walks of Tewin
Thurs	Memorial Hall	1.30-4.30pm	50+ Club
Fri	Tewin Stores	1.30-2.45pm	Trussells Butcher's Van
Thurs 5th & 19th	Bowls Club	2-5pm	Bridge
Thurs 12th	Memorial Hall	2-3.30pm	Technology Advice
Sat 7th	Memorial Hall	10am-4pm	Art, Craft & Gift Sale
Mon 9th	Memorial Hall	7 for 7.45pm	Screen on the Green 'Amélie'
Sat 14th	Tewin Stores	1.30pm	Festive Meal
Wed 18th	Lower Green	Carols On the Green	6.30pm
Sat 21st	St Peter's	Christmas Concert	5pm
Sun 22nd	St Peter's	Carol Service	6.30pm

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Tewin Stores & Post Office	01438 717929
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