



BIERTON AUTUMN NEWS

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PARISH COUNCIL

*Got a question for the Parish Council?
Thoughts on what changes you'd like to
see in the village?*

*Then why not attend the next Parish
Council meeting, which will be held at 7pm
in Jubilee Hall on 15th November. All
welcome to attend.*

DIGITAL NEWS?

*Do you like to receive this newsletter
through your letterbox or would you prefer a
digital newsletter which would be published
on the village website with a reminder that
it's available on Facebook / Twitter /
Instagram? This would free up c£2,000 per
year which the Parish Council could spend
elsewhere in the village. Let us know your
thoughts.*

WELCOME

*Welcome to the Autumn edition of Bierton
News, providing local updates and
information to residents.*

*Lots of news on upcoming events and
information on where to get your copy of
the 2022 Bierton calendar.*

*Please keep the feedback and ideas
coming by emailing
diary@biertonvillage.org.uk or facebook
messaging Bierton Parish Council or
leaving a message on **07932 738733**.*

RECREATION GROUND DEDICATION

*The Memorial Stone on the pavilion at the
Recreation Ground in Burcott Lane has
been difficult to read for a while, but has
now been carefully restored by Cliveden
Conservation using funding kindly provided
by the Mike & Claire Griffin Trust.*

*The pavilion and field were presented to
the village by Leopold de Rothschild of
Ascott House, Wing in 1921 to celebrate
the return of those who fought in WW1.*

*It will be officially opened by Greg Smith,
MP on Friday 12th November at 10.30am.
All welcome to attend.*

BIERTON CALENDAR 2022

Thank you to everyone who contributed a photo to the calendar photo competition, we had a great response of 48 spectacular photos. Wellington Camera Club judged the entries and we have 12 stunning photos of Bierton for the 2022 calendar.



The calendars are priced at £6 each or 2 for £10 and can be purchased from:

- *Bierton Pre-School, Sunday 7th November 2-4pm at their coffee & cake afternoon.*
- *The Recreation Ground on 14th November 9.30 - 11.30*
- *6th December 6.45 to 7.45pm at the Carolfest at St James Church*
- *11th & 12th December Santa's sleigh tour of Bierton*
- *Or contact Bierton Events Group via Facebook, Instagram or email biertonevents@gmail.com*

Calendar numbers are limited, so get your order in early - they make a great Christmas present.

Profits will be shared with local charities and not for profit organisations which are helping to sell the calendars and will also help to fund future community events.

Why not start taking photos for the 2023 calendar - we'll announce details of next years calendar between June and August.

LOCAL FACEBOOK GROUPS

Have you discovered Bierton's local Facebook groups, some are open groups and others require you to request to join.

- *Bierton Families - updates, information, for sale/wanted items*
- *Bierton Events - information on events organised for the village*
- *Bierton's History - information on Bierton's past*
- *Coppice & Bierton Park Community*
- *Bierton Community Allotment*

VILLAGE WEBSITE

The village website has recently been updated and contains a wealth of local information.

Including links to Parish Council minutes, articles on the history of Bierton, local walks, Neighbourhood plan updates, information on local clubs and groups and much more.

WENDOVER & VILLAGES COMMUNITY BOARD

Do you have a great idea for a community initiative that will benefit local people or a successful community project that you'd like to expand or develop, but need funding?

If the answer is yes, then the Wendover and Villages Community Board wants to hear from you.

Community boards are two-way partnerships between the council and local communities. The essence of our vision is summed up in our simple strapline – Local voices, local choices, local action. By working together, we can truly bring change and improvement to our area, directly addressing your concerns and priorities at a local level.

We have funds available to support projects that meet the agreed priorities. This includes anything from support for older people to health and wellbeing, transport and youth initiatives. Of particular focus this year are initiatives to improve the environment and supporting economic recovery.

If you have an idea for funding or are just keen to get involved in an action group looking at how to tackle local issues, or would like to receive our newsletter then please get in touch with Michelle.Parker@buckinghamshire.gov.uk

RECREATION GROUND IMPROVEMENTS

Have you noticed the recent improvements to the Recreation ground? The Parish Council was offered some free resource and materials to improve the Burcott Lane recreation ground.

Improvements include painting the pavillion, replacing and repairing the low level barrier between the car park and field, improving the floor of the play area and.....



Bierton Pre-School

BIERTON PRE-SCHOOL

Bierton pre-school provides a warm and welcoming environment that ensures children's individual needs are prioritised and their interests nurtured.

Each day is packed full of enriching activities to make certain all areas of the new EYFS curriculum are met, and are implemented by our caring and dedicated staff. The children get daily access to a fantastic garden facilities as we fully recognise the impact that being outdoors has on a child's social, emotional and physical development.

Unfortunately due to COVID and recent government budget allowances the pre-school is struggling financially. We are holding a number of fundraising events for the whole community so please come along and support us. If you think you can help out in any way we would be grateful of the support.

Please contact Sarah Hearn via the Bierton families Facebook page or email chair@biertonpreschool.org.uk

Coffee afternoon -Sunday 7th November 2pm-4pm at Bierton Sports centre

Bedtime Story evening - Friday 10th December 6pm-6.45pm at the jubilee hall

UPCOMING EVENTS



- 1st Nov - Coffee evening to raise funds for Royal British Legion, 7.30 @ Jubilee Hall.
- 7th Nov - Bierton Pre-school crafts, coffee & cake afternoon 2-4pm, Sports centre
- 12th Nov - Unveiling of Memorial plaque at Bierton Sports Centre 10.30am
- 20th Nov - Hulcott Christmas fair to raise funds for the church 2.30pm.
- 14th Nov - Annual Bierton fun-run (BEG)
- 6th Dec - Carolfest at St James the Great church at 7pm
- 10th Dec - Bierton Pre-school bedtime story evening 6-6.45pm Jubilee Hall
- 11 Dec - Christmas Bazaar at the Church, 11am - 2pm (StJ)
- 11& 12 Dec - Santa Float (BEG)

*BEG - contact Bierton Events Group - follow them on facebook or instagram for more info.
StJ - contact StJames church - see their website for more information.*

HISTORY OF BIERTON SCHOOL

The first recorded school in Bierton was in 1750's to 1760's which was run by the vicar of Bierton, Timothy Shaw. It's likely that this school was located by St Osyths well. The photo below shows the school which is located where there's now a gate to the field.



Photo courtesy of Buckinghamshire Council County Archives

A new school was build in 1848, (see photo to the right) which served the villages of Bierton, Hulcott and Broughton and had around 70 pupils in 1853. Hulcott gained its own school in 1855. School attendance was patchy due to sickness and children being required to help with farmwork.

The use of the cane was not unusual and pupils had to pay between 2p and 6p each week to attend.

There were also a number of plaiting schools, where children, usually girls, were taught to plait straw.

The school was heated by a coal fire and one resident remembers being 'Coal Monitor' and being able to sit near the fire to add coal and keep it going. He also remembers emptying the cinders and making them steam by weeing on them!

The school gained additional pupils during WW2 when a number of evacuees from London moved to Bierton. Bierton Church of England Combined School moved to its present site in Parsons Lane in 1963 and now has 287 pupils.



Photo courtesy of Andrew Cooke

The Winter edition will be published in January/February.
If you have any articles, feedback, news or thanks you would like to share, please email diary@biertonvillage.org.uk or facebook message Bierton Parish Council or leave a message on 07932 738733