



POPPY APPEAL & SIX NATIONS

23 October 2020

Hi Friend,

As the clocks go back heralding the start of winter we have plenty on offer to make those dark evenings more enjoyable. Including:

- Live coverage of the Six Nations Rugby
- Poppy Appeal coffee morning
- Family history classes

Read on for much more.

CRIBBAGE TUESDAY



Another opportunity to learn or improve your Cribbage skills. Tuesday 7-9pm at The Swan. No previous experience required, everyone welcome.

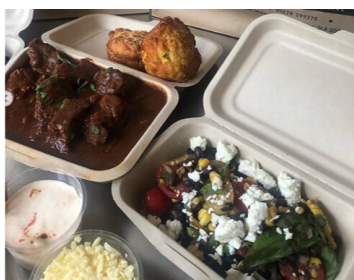
POPPY APPEAL COFFEE MORNING



The Swan will be hosting a coffee morning on behalf of the Royal British Legion poppy appeal on Friday 30 October 9-30-11:30.

We would love you to join us but equally we would welcome all offers of cakes or other baked delights for the event. If you are able to provide something to enjoy on the day please let [Rachel](#) know.

FRIDAY TAKEAWAY



Another Friday takeaway special from Dublicious. A choice of Chunky Chilli Beef or 7 Bean Chilli. [Place your order by](#) midday on Wednesday for collection from The Swan on Friday 30 October between 6-8pm.

SUPER SATURDAY RUGBY AT THE SWAN



After much delay the Guinness 6 Nations Rugby is back. The remaining games will be played behind closed doors but will be available to watch at The Swan.

Tables can be booked in person or by phone (07458 300026) for the duration of each match.

QUIZ WINNERS



A big thank you to all those who turned out in force on a wet and windy Wednesday to enjoy the latest Swan quiz. Congratulations to the winners, 'Enemies of the People'. The next quiz is currently scheduled for 4 November - see you there!

SEARCH YOUR FAMILY HISTORY



Now that the BBC is showing a new series of 'Who Do You Think You Are', might you be tempted to discover your own family history yet are unsure how to start? The Swan is looking to run classes for complete beginners in November which make it really easy to get started.

Each 1-hour session costs £5 (split between The Swan and its chosen local charity 'Family Friends'). Three sessions gets you a flying start with more sessions depending on interest. We're aiming for a flexible timetable catering for individuals' availability with no need to commit to all three sessions. Register your interest [HERE](#), see how you get on with the first, introductory session and then decide if you want to continue.



Session 2 will deal with how to get the most from census returns. Births, marriages and deaths are covered in Session 3.

Experienced family history researcher, Tom Wigley, will deliver sessions remotely to the IT Suite and School House at The Swan or in your own home.

WEEKDAY WARRIORS



Despite the weather this week the Warriors have been hard at work doing as much as possible outside. John has been hard at work repairing and repointing the chimney stack.

Inside, Sarah Howard returned to add the Roman blinds to the other bay window.



She has been working with a pupil from the Green Room in the construction of the final blind which, at the time of writing, was not yet in-situ.

GR6 HALLOWEEN SPOOKTACULAR



If you've walked past The Swan over the last few days, you may have been wondering what has been going on. Do not fear, with wacky costumes, blood-strewn sheets flapping in the wind and ghostly apparitions floating about, The Swan has not become a portal to the underworld

But our GR6 students have been letting their imaginations run wild in designing and preparing the first GR6 "Halloween Spooktacular!" This was the brainchild of the students who transformed The Coach House into a terrifying Haunted Hovel, where demented teachers and spooktastic students scared the living daylights out of the lower school kids.

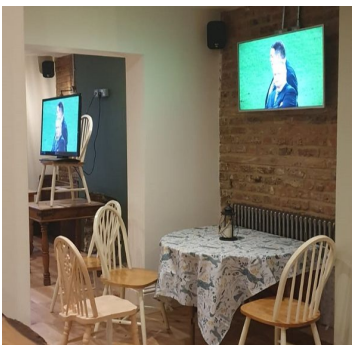


For the faint of heart, there was pumpkin carving and an array of homemade baked treats plus an appearance from our very own Candy Ghost! The event was the first of many courtyard spectacles planned as GR6 make the most of their unusual but brilliant home at The Swan.

THIS TIME LAST YEAR



Sparkies were in again this week and removed the last connection from the main distribution box inside the stables, allowing the removal of the last cable protector across the main entrance. Inside work continued on the finishing touches such as putting up the feature mirror and the baby changing units in both the ladies and gents toilets.



Oh, and installing a second TV for the Rugby World Cup semi-finals.

Disappointingly some roof leaks re-appeared and the protecting tarpaulin shifted. Roof work had now become a priority.

Darker and colder evenings but there is always a warm welcome at The Swan.

Warm regards,

The Friends of The Swan

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