

# Berewood News

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# Welcome to the 14th edition of the Berewood News.

In this edition we get the opportunity to share all the exciting new facilities that were completed over the Summer and Autumn of 2025; Newlands Primary Academy, Northern & Southern Allotments, new play area, remedial works up at Town Park to the shelter & MUGA and the new Safe Routes to School footpath.



## Berewood Masterplan



# Latest Site Updates & Timescales

Please note these dates are estimates only and subject to change.

- Bloor Homes – **Larkfields and Woodlands Edge** – all properties have now been completed with remedials on going to the roads and surrounding areas. Phase 8 (Park View) has now commenced with temporary access off London Road being used for construction site traffic.
- Redrow Homes – **Ash Gardens** are progressing well with a significant number of properties now complete and occupied.
- Bargate Homes – Located on Daubenton Glen and Maple Grove parcels. Currently seeking planning approval and anticipate to commence 2026.
- Persimmon Homes – Located on the **Barnfield** parcel. Currently seeking planning approval and anticipate to commence 2026.
- **Berewood Town Park** – Currently seeking planning approval anticipate to commence 2026
- **Newlands Avenue** – Completed but not open for vehicular traffic
- **Allotments** – Main works completed, final planting and weeding to be finalised over winter period with aim for adoption to Local Authority
- **Two dog agility areas** – Works commencing 2026
- **Play area** adjacent to **Southern Allotment** – completed and open for public use
- **Community Nature Reserve** – Planting to be commenced over winter
- **Safe Routes to School** – completed and open for public use
- **Proxima Park** – Works have commenced on three new units with completion 2026
- **Yew Gardens** and **Oak Vale** roads currently being brought up to adoptable standard with completion expected early 2026
- **Phase 4 and southern access** junction due to commence 2026. Arboricultural and ecological surveys and works in operation currently
- **Sports Pavillion** – Works commencing 2026
- **Bulletin page** – A new page has been added to the Berewood website where any letters / notices with regards essential works will now be saved. 📌

## You Asked... We Actioned!

We held the drop-in surgery for residents on Tuesday, 14th October 2025.

1

Residents had flagged with us that many of the dwarf walls in Phase 2 were crumbling, these were removed in the Autumn. We are now continuing with remedial works to Milk Lane, Newlands Avenue and Marrelsmoor Avenue (South) around the same time as Newlands Avenue was opened up creating additional parking for town park users.

2

Following requests from residents, parking enforcement patrols were increased in the summer to deter visitors from parking on double yellow lines. Problems occurred with the cameras outside Berewood Primary. The Berewood team held immediate meetings with UKPC to have the cameras recalibrated and liaised with each of those affected to get a quick resolution to this issue.

3

New estate management contractor is now in place. Residents had raised with us on numerous occasions issues of sub standard work and failure to maintain the areas of green space per the programme. Scandor joined the development in June and residents have been quick to praise the new team and notice an improvement site wide.

## The next “You asked... We actioned” drop-in surgery

To be held on Tuesday, 10th March 2026 at Newlands Primary School

If you are struggling with **damp and mould** in your home this handy leaflet has some top tips. Follow the link: <https://berewoodhampshire.co.uk/homes/>



# Travel Plan Coordinators



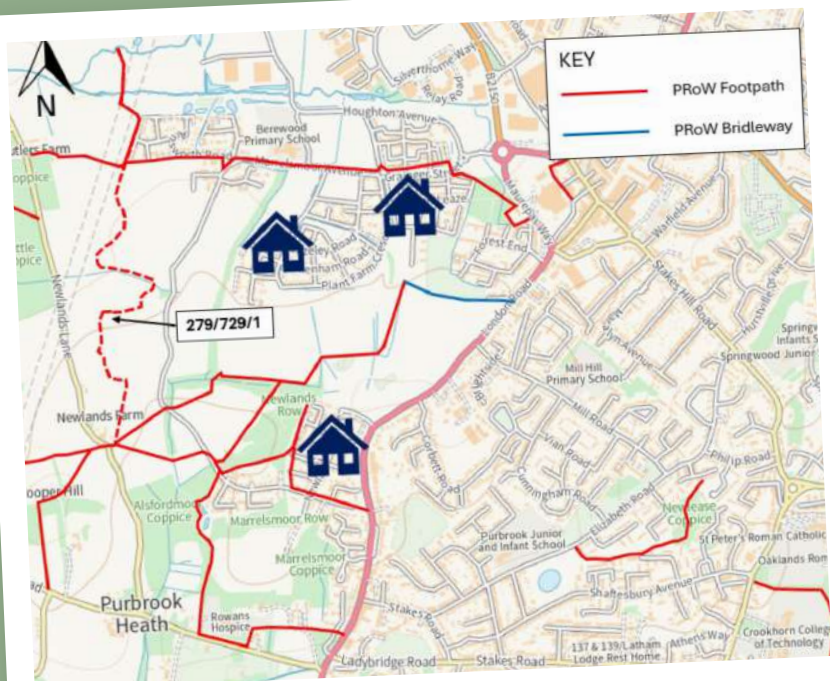
## We are delighted to introduce ourselves as your Travel Plan Coordinators for Berewood!

A Travel Plan ensures a development is as sustainable and as 'green' as possible. Paul Basham Associates are working on behalf of Grainger to help you get started, encouraging sustainable travel, with the goal of providing you with the information you need to switch from the car for some trips!

To support this, we have a Sustainable Travel webpage for Berewood, which you can find at:

 [tpc-paulbashamassociates.com/berewood-Waterlooville](http://tpc-paulbashamassociates.com/berewood-Waterlooville)

This webpage provides information on active travel and public transport, as well as information on how to travel more sustainably. There are also details of sustainable travel vouchers on offer at Berewood. We are here if you have any questions, don't hesitate to reach out at [travelplan@paulbashamassociates.com](mailto:travelplan@paulbashamassociates.com).



## Winter Walks

It's important to keep moving even in the winter months! Your home is well located to a number of Public Rights of Way (PRoW) routes, including footways and bridleways. A Public Right of Way is a legally protected path or route that the public can use. The map (to the left) shows your local area and the PRoW routes near to (or within) Berewood.

Footpath 279/729/1 is a 1.2km recreational route within the Berewood development, stretching from Ainsworth Road to Newland's Farm – why not try it and get some steps in?

Updated walking maps have also been created and can be accessed at:

 [tpc-paulbashamassociates.com/walking-map/](http://tpc-paulbashamassociates.com/walking-map/)

## Cycling Routes

Looking for a cycle route but not sure where to start? Havant Borough Council created a cycle map that helps you identify routes and their types – the map is colour coded for on-road and off-road routes.

With so many great cycling routes on your doorstep, it's easier than ever to get pedalling!

To see the Havant Borough Council Cycle Map, visit:

 [havant.activemap.co.uk/](http://havant.activemap.co.uk/)







## Travelling by Bus

Your home is located within close proximity to a number of bus stops, depending on where you live within Berewood. The map (to the right) shows all the nearby bus stops to Berewood – these are all served by either Stagecoach or Firstbus, with frequent services to a range of locations.

Travelling by bus is a great way to get places quickly, but sustainably – why not give it a go? As adult single bus journeys are still capped at £3 until at least March 2027, and might even be cheaper, so why not travel by bus!

For more information on tickets, routes and timetable information, visit:

 [www.firstbus.co.uk/buy-tickets/buy-ticket](http://www.firstbus.co.uk/buy-tickets/buy-ticket)

 [www.stagecoachbus.com/tickets](http://www.stagecoachbus.com/tickets)

or download either the Firstbus or Stagecoach App.



## Days Out by Train

National Rail are currently offering massive savings deals when you travel by train. Your nearest train station is 'Bedhampton', which you can reach via a 22-minute cycle, or via a 47-minute journey on the Stagecoach 37.

With this deal you can use your train ticket for 2 for 1 for selected local locations, including:

- The D-Day Story
- Petersfield Museum and Art Gallery
- And many more near and far!

Other days out are up to 50% off ticket prices when you travel by train – why not have a great day out and save at the same time?

For more information on these deals, visit

 [www.nationalrail.co.uk/days-out-guide](http://www.nationalrail.co.uk/days-out-guide)



## Sustainable Travel Vouchers

Did you know that you may be eligible to claim a free sustainable travel voucher towards bus travel and/or cycle equipment? The vouchers up for grabs are:

- £50 Halfords voucher for cycle related purchases; and/or
- Bus Tickets from Stagecoach or Firstbus up to the value of £100.

To check your eligibility to claim, please don't hesitate to reach out to us at [travelplan@paulbashamassociates.com](mailto:travelplan@paulbashamassociates.com).

For the full terms and conditions, visit:

 [tpc-paulbashamassociates.com/terms-and-conditions/](http://tpc-paulbashamassociates.com/terms-and-conditions/)

# Opensight



**I recently met with Gemma McKnight,  
Head of Income Generation and  
Communications at Opensight in  
Hampshire.**

The Berewood team and other local businesses will be donating presents for their annual virtual Christmas party for under 11s. If you are a local business that would like to contribute please email: [berewood@graingerplc.co.uk](mailto:berewood@graingerplc.co.uk)

### **Living independently with confidence: How OpenSight can support you**


OpenSight is Hampshire's leading charity supporting people who are blind or partially sighted to live independently, stay connected, and fully participate in their communities with confidence.


Sight loss can happen to anyone, at any age, and we're here to help residents across Hampshire adapt and thrive. Whether it's understanding a recent diagnosis, finding the right magnifier or lighting, learning about technology that makes life easier, or getting practical advice on daily living, our friendly team is here to support you.

We offer:

- Free one-to-one advice on living with sight loss, including benefits, equipment, and emotional support.
- Low Vision Assessments to help you make the most of your remaining vision.
- Social and activity groups across Hampshire, reducing isolation and helping people stay active and connected.
- Sight awareness sessions for community groups and organisations.

If you or someone you know is living with sight loss, get in touch – support is just a phone call away.

 [www.opensight.org.uk](http://www.opensight.org.uk)

 [info@opensight.org.uk](mailto:info@opensight.org.uk)



## Christmas Party

In the comfort of your own home via zoom  
For primary age children and younger.

DECEMBER **19** FRIDAY

AT 5:00PM

Siblings very welcome

*The weather outside may be frightful,  
but a party game with friends is so delightful!*

RSVP BY 27th November to:  
[sarah.evans@opensight.org.uk](mailto:sarah.evans@opensight.org.uk)

 **OpenSight**  
[www.opensight.org.uk](http://www.opensight.org.uk)  
Charity No. 1055498

**Help make christmas magical for local  
blind or partially sighted children**



This December, OpenSight will be hosting a special Christmas Party for blind and partially sighted children and their families across Hampshire.

We're inviting our local partners and organisations to help spread some festive joy by donating small gifts for the children who attend.

Your kindness will help ensure every child receives a thoughtful present to open and treasure.

### **Gift ideas list:**

- Gift ideas include:
  - Age-appropriate toys for babies, toddlers and primary-aged children
  - Tactile or sensory items (soft toys, musical or light-up gifts)
  - Books with large print or textures
  - Art and craft materials
  - Family games or puzzles

(Suggested value: £5-£10 per gift)

### **Drop-off details**

 Gift Drop-Off Details:  
Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> December any time to drop off between 9am and 6.30pm

Drop off is: Grainger Plc office next to Newlands Community Hall  
Marrelsmoor Avenue  
PO7 3BX

Any questions contact:  
[Berewood@graingerplc.co.uk](mailto:Berewood@graingerplc.co.uk)

Proudly Supporting  
  
**OpenSight**

**Together, we can make this Christmas truly special for children with sight loss and their families. Thank you for your generosity and support!**



# Off the record

A local charity dedicated to improving young people's mental health supporting young people aged between 11 to 25, and their families living in Havant and South East Hampshire.

Supporting the community since 1977, a range of free services are available:

- 1-2-1 counselling for young people (aged 11-25) – in person, online and over the phone
- Parent and carer counselling
- Family counselling
- Group work
- Support to Young Carers living in Havant, aged 8 to 25.

Services are easy to access and we promise you will feel listened to, valued, included, safe, and seen as the individual that you are.

“It really helped that I could express my feelings in confidence.”

Female, aged 15




“OTR were great at listening and explaining methods that made me feel less anxious. They're very supportive and not likely to judge. They made me feel safe.”

Female, aged 14

To find out more about our services, visit:

 [www.otr-south.org.uk](http://www.otr-south.org.uk)

138 Purbrook Way  
Leigh Park  
Hampshire  
PO9 3SU

 **023 9247 4724**

Registered Charity Number: 1064275



**SUPPORTING YOUNG PEOPLE'S MENTAL HEALTH TO  
FULFIL THEIR POTENTIAL FOR A BRIGHTER FUTURE.**

**Feeling overwhelmed? Low mood?**

**Relationship issues? Low confidence?**

**Anxious? Just need to talk?**

Are you aged 11 to 25, living in Havant or South East Hampshire and in need of an impartial listening ear?

**You can self-refer online for  
FREE COUNSELLING with OTR**

Youth Counselling | Individual Counselling for Parents and Carers  
Group Work | Young Carers



Off The Record (South East Hampshire)

**023 9247 4724**

**[otr-south.org.uk](http://otr-south.org.uk)**

Registered Charity Number: 1064275

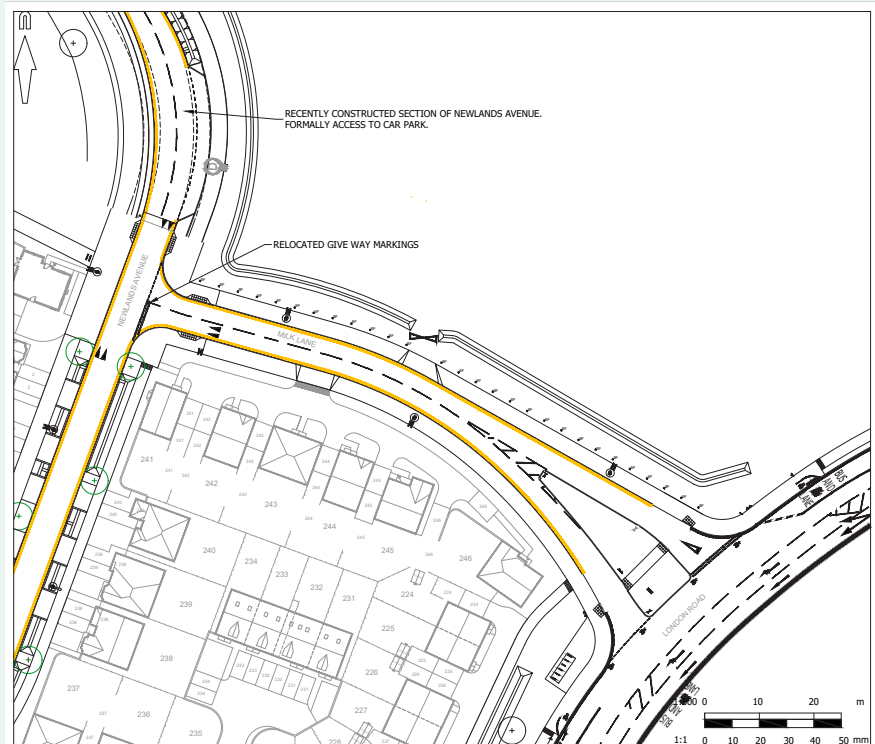


# Milk Lane/Newlands Avenue junction



**Please note the changes to the traffic priorities at the Newlands Avenue & Milk Lane junction regarding the new t-junction**

At a T-junction, traffic on the major road (Newlands Avenue) has priority. Vehicles on the minor road (Milk Lane) must give way to traffic on the major road and only proceed when it is safe to do so. You must give way to pedestrians waiting to cross the road you are turning into or from, and you should be cautious of cyclists and motorcyclists, who may be passing slower traffic.



## Plot Lines: Stories from Waterlooville

**Plot Lines is a creative project exploring the stories, voices and places that make up Waterlooville and its surrounding communities.**

Through writing, art and conversation, we've been uncovering memories, ideas and connections – all shaped by the people who live here.

Our first publication, Plot Lines Vol. 1, brought together new writing inspired by the local landscape, the people who call it home, and familiar spots such as Waterlooville Library and Newlands Community Hall. If you missed out on a free copy, get in touch – we'll make sure one finds its way to you.

Over the coming months, we'll continue running free workshops and creative sessions locally. Keep an eye out for posters around the neighbourhood and follow us on

**@plotlinesproject for updates.**

If you're curious about the project, would like to share your own story, or invite us to visit a local group, we'd love to hear from you. Our writer Aoife Mannix and community facilitator Gail Howard are always happy to say hello and chat about creativity in the community.



Plot Lines is led by Studio Response and commissioned by Winchester City Council with funding from developer contributions.

Get in touch

[hello@plotlines.co.uk](mailto:hello@plotlines.co.uk)

[www.plotlines.co.uk](http://www.plotlines.co.uk)



## Community Speed Watch

Enough volunteers have come forward for a new community speed watch group to start within Newlands Parish.

The group will be led by Cllr Paulette Bennett and Cllr Anthony Berry but operates separately from the Parish Council. The parish council have kindly agreed to purchase the necessary equipment, PPE and signage to start the group running, whilst also providing secure storage for the equipment.

Volunteers have been recruited from across the community, and anyone is welcome to join the team. The volunteers are currently undertaking the police training to carry out this role. Suitable points have been identified and will be confirmed shortly with Hampshire police. Once this is confirmed and all training has been carried out, the team will be out and about across the estate.

Community Speed Watch is about education and prevention. All members will be fully trained and support by Hampshire police. If you have any questions about this please feel free to contact either of the councillors.



## Newlands Parish Council launch new website

The Parish Council has a new website. The site is very user friendly and easier to navigate than the previous website. Please visit often as it is frequently updated with local news, events, meeting agendas and minutes and much more!


 [www.newlands-pc.gov.uk](http://www.newlands-pc.gov.uk)



## Fly-Tipping

There is a campaign to raise awareness regarding fly-tipping. Residents and businesses are being urged to check who's taking their waste away or risk being fined hundreds of pounds.

Details of waste carriers can be checked here:

 [www.environment.data.gov.uk/  
public-register/view/search-waste-  
carriers-brokers](http://www.environment.data.gov.uk/public-register/view/search-waste-carriers-brokers)



## YOUR DUTY OF CARE

- S**uspect ALL waste carriers
- C**heck with the Environment Agency on 03708 506 506 that the provider taking your waste away is registered
- R**efuse unexpected offers to have waste taken away
- A**sk what will happen to your waste
- P**aperwork should be obtained – get a full receipt



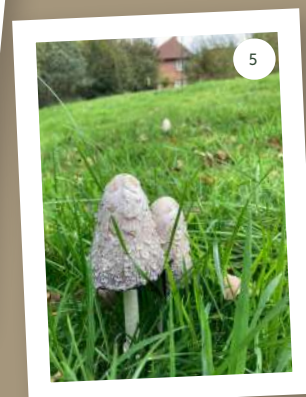
# Wildlife watch

**There has been a big reptile translocation programme over the summer on the southern part of the site.**

Mats were placed in grassland and scrub habitats which encourage the reptiles to shelter underneath. Regular monitoring took place and where reptiles were found, these were relocated to Newlands Meadow. This programme is part of pre-construction to facilitate the new road that will be built at the southern access junction. The majority of the reptiles were slow worms, some grass snakes, great crested newts and a couple of common lizards.

Willow clearance began on the development in Phase 7 (Pavilion View) in the autumn and will continue throughout the winter as part of the SUDS maintenance programme. The SUDS are designed to be open but willow will take over these areas if not managed, taking away light from other plants which would, over time, reduce the diversity of planting which attracts a wider variety of wildlife to feed and live.

The tree clearance, as part of the southern access junction work will begin in December. Any trees that need to be removed as part of these works will be replaced on other areas of the development that will not be affected by construction. With the replanting we are looking to diversify the woodlands with a wider variety of species.



Cetti's Warblers were recorded for the first time on the development this summer using SUDS basins along the River Wallington.

We were also thrilled to see Reed Warblers and Grey Wagtails nesting also along the River Wallington. A surprise visit from a Peregrin Falcon was seen on a couple of occasions in late October in Phase 4 and down on Purbrook Heath Road so keep your eyes peeled!

The Kingfisher continues to allude our photographers. If any residents do manage to capture this stunning bird please do share this with us!

For those who are passionate about the birds on the development. The BTO Birdtrack app is excellent, you can log what you have seen in any particular location. You can record birds, mammals, reptiles, amphibians, dragonflies / damsel, butterflies and orchids. Here is the link to the website to find out more and download the free app.

 [www.bto.org/get-involved/volunteer/projects/birdtrack](http://www.bto.org/get-involved/volunteer/projects/birdtrack)



- 1 Cetti Warbler
- 2 Reed Warbler
- 3 Southern Marsh Orchid
- 4 Great Crested Newt
- 5 Shaggy Ink Cap



# Spotlight on Waterloo

## Shreducation




In the summer we had a chance to catch up with Bernie, a local parent who uses the Berewood skate park and was keen to start setting up regular scooting workshops and a drop-in club. It's been a really exciting few months introducing Bernie to Community First and other local stakeholders so we can support Shreducation to evolve. This is such an exciting offer for young children in the area. Shreducation is now live, bringing together home education and scootering – learning by doing, riding with friends, and building real connections along the way.



Join our meet-ups where kids (approximate ages 6-12) can ride, learn new tricks, and have fun in a safe, supportive space. Professional scooter coach Danny Clements often joins to run skill sessions, giving riders the chance to progress at their own level.

A small £2 donation per session is welcome but never required – Shreducation is about community, not cost. As we grow, we'll head out on bigger adventures too, exploring UK skateparks alongside trips to museums, galleries, and exhibitions. If this sounds like your vibe, come join us and be part of the journey.



 [shredacademy.co.uk](http://shredacademy.co.uk)



## Dance Out Loud



Dance Out Loud has been offering Ballet and movement classes for children aged 18mths to 8yrs at Newlands Community Centre for over 5yrs now. Teaching little ones the magic of dance through story based learning, with lots of props and imagination. Each class is thirty minutes long and each class is split into very specific age ranges to give the children dedicated teaching for their age.



**DANCE OUT LOUD**  
*Move. Play. Learn.*

We currently have around 100 dancers who come to our classes throughout the week. Our youngest is 18 months and our eldest is 7 years. Each year they participate in an end of year recital at a local theatre for their friends and family.

Dance Out Loud's ethos is to provide a glittering introduction for little ones to find their love for dance and ballet, giving a supportive, warm environment where children can express themselves and explore movement rather than just drill steps. We pride ourselves in being a good stepping stone for children to go on to more formal classes once they reach 8 years.

All our classes have the opportunity to try a two week trial for £10 and can be booked online via our website:



[www.danceoutloud.co.uk](http://www.danceoutloud.co.uk)





# Get up and go

'Get up and go' is a Havant Borough project offering physical activities opportunity to residents of the Havant borough.

We try to provide a range of fun activities which utilise and help us appreciate our beautiful local area and help to make it as enjoyable and easy as possible to be active. To find out about what we have on offer please visit our website.

What activities are local to you? Indoor circuits are delivered every Tuesday and Thursday evening at Anders Hall and outdoor circuits are on Saturday mornings in Jubilee Park. Zumba Gold at the Cowplain activity centre on Wednesdays, Rambler's wellbeing walks, FREE guided walks at Staunton Country Park and beginners' adults dance with Abstract at the Newlands community hall. To find out more or to book your place on any of our activities please visit our website and go to 'book activities' here you will find all our activities in one place!

We have launched a new project to support anyone aged 60+ with positive ageing. If you're in your 60s, 70s or beyond, you can take positive steps now to improve your health and live longer, better. Visit our website and go to the 'live longer better (ageing well)' section!

[www.getupandgohavant.com/  
book-activities?category=e4cfde  
07-223b-4e58-a110-6d2a9bbfcb03](http://www.getupandgohavant.com/book-activities?category=e4cfde07-223b-4e58-a110-6d2a9bbfcb03)



## Free Kids Christmas Workshop 22nd December 10-12pm

**Book Online**

07761751341  
www.dragonflyartscentre.co.uk  
admin@dragonflyartscentre.co.uk  
Unit 34 Basepoint, Brambles Business Park,  
Waterberry Drive, Waterlooville, Hants, PO7 7TH

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## Free CHRISTMAS Workshop

Spaces are limited

Create a Table Centrepiece and do some last minute festive gift wrapping

**19th December 7-9 pm To Book**

Join us at Dragonfly Arts Centre for an evening of everything Christmas. Take a few hours out of the busy run up and create a festive table display and finish any last minute wrapping with the help from your local arts centre. The event is free and funded by Grainger PLC. There will be festive refreshments and confectionaries. Music and a cosy enchanted atmosphere.

07761751341  
admin@dragonflyartscentre.co.uk  
www.dragonflyartscentre.co.uk  
Unit 34 Basepoint, Brambles Business Park, Waterberry Drive, Waterlooville, Hants, PO7 7TH

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**SUPPORTING**  
**PROSTATE CANCER UK**

The Denmead Community Centre CIO  
Supporting Prostate Cancer UK  
Presents

# BIG FAT QUIZMAS 2025

Entry: £7 per person; Teams of up to 6 people.  
Bring your own drinks (& food, if desired)

7pm for 7.30pm start

**SUPER RAFFLE PRIZES - NICE CASH PRIZE FOR  
WINNING TEAM**

 Saturday Night  
6th December 2025  DCC, School Lane,  
Denmead. PO7 6LU

**FESTIVE FUN FOR ALL!!**

Contact Ann 02392 264830  
annandmalcolm.daviesvirgin.net with  
your team name and number in your  
team

  
Denmead Community Centre CIO

## Helping to tackle hygiene poverty with new hygiene banks

**New hygiene banks have been set up around the Havant borough to help those experiencing hygiene poverty.**

Residents can donate new and unused hygiene products to hygiene banks in various locations across the borough (including Havant, Waterlooville, Leigh Park, Emsworth, and Hayling Island). These banks will be regularly emptied, with the content redistributed through food banks and community pantries for those in need to access them.

You can donate items such as:

- Toothpaste and toothbrushes
- Shampoo, conditioner and shower gel
- Hand soap, moisturising cream and deodorant
- Incontinence products and sanitary products
- New clean underwear (in its original packaging).

For more information, and to find a hygiene bank near you, please go to our website.

**CREATIVE • INCLUSIVE • SAFE • MINDFUL • COLLABORATIVE**

  
**Creatifful  
HAVANT**

An arts, crafts, and wellness group supporting women with complex needs, including those facing addiction, homelessness, abuse, or involvement in the criminal justice system

**WEDNESDAYS  
10:30AM - 12PM**

Join us for a relaxed art and craft session or simply come along for a chat and some company in a safe and welcoming space.



**ROOM 1 - HEART OF THE PARK**

Term-time only [www.creatifful.co.uk](http://www.creatifful.co.uk)

 Supported by **COMMUNITY FUND**


Heart of the Park, Leigh Park  
Community Centre,  
Dunsbury Way, Havant PO9 5BG



**Havant**  
BOROUGH COUNCIL

If you need additional support and help during the cold months during winter Havant Borough Council have the following available:

**Community Food Support Network** | Havant Borough Council

 [www.havant.gov.uk/community-and-living/access-support-borough/community-food-support-network](http://www.havant.gov.uk/community-and-living/access-support-borough/community-food-support-network)

**Cost of living support** | Havant Borough Council

 [www.havant.gov.uk/cost-living-support](http://www.havant.gov.uk/cost-living-support)

**Access support in the borough** | Havant Borough Council

 [www.havant.gov.uk/community-and-living/access-support-borough](http://www.havant.gov.uk/community-and-living/access-support-borough)

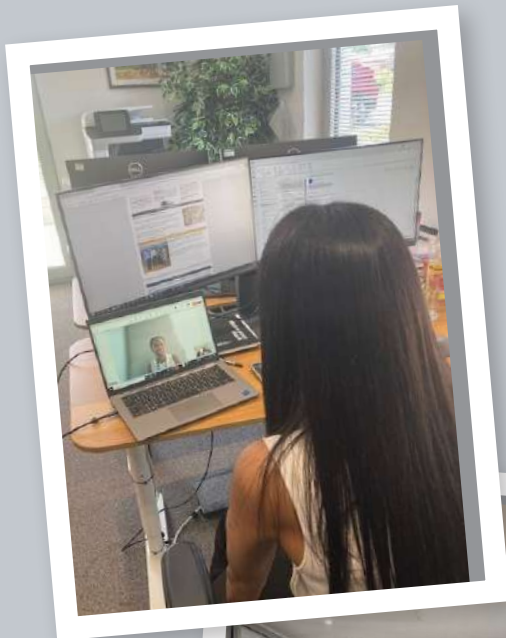
# Education and training

**In June we welcomed a local student from Oaklands Catholic School for her work experience placement.**

It was a fully immersive week with her shadowing the Ecologist, Project Managers and we even managed a visit to the Redrow sales office. We set her a micro project that she presented to the team on the Friday which was really impressive!

“Overall, this has been such a positive experience. When I am older I would really like to become an architect, so this work placement has become very useful in helping me with information and advice.”

If you are a local student with an interest in a career in construction and housing we do have vacancies for work experience for 2026, get in touch with a covering email introduction and CV to: [berewood@graingerplc.co.uk](mailto:berewood@graingerplc.co.uk)



**Two members of the Berewood team as well as employees from Blanchard Wells and Morgan Sindall volunteered for two days at the i-construct event hosted at CETC (part of South Hampshire College Group).**

The event hosted over 550 pupils from various schools over the two days enthusing the next generation to join the construction sector. Also at the start of the term we joined two of the Tetra Tech team from the development at Crookhorn School as part of the mock interviews day.



**Newlands Primary Academy opens its doors on time for a new academic year!**

Morgan Sindall completed this modular build on time this summer. As you enter the lobby the building opens up to a wonderful double height library, this light, fresh building certainly has wonderful views across the nature reserve. The perfect setting for creative and inspiring education.

A big thank you to Motive8 for passing on some huge beanbags that would have gone to landfill for the pupils at both Berewood Primary and Newlands Primary Academy, the students are already making full use of them for reading.





# Connecting with Berewood



**The countdown for Christmas has well and truly begun, and lots of preparations are underway. Why not join us at Newlands Community Hall for Christmas crafts and carols on Saturday, 20th December?**

Or come along to our family carols or Christmas services, detailed on the flyer. Begin this Christmas knowing what the first Christmas was like and why it remains important today. You would be more than welcome.

During the year, the parish of St John's Purbrook and Christ Church Portsdown has been supporting the community in Berewood and Newlands. It has been a real privilege to meet many residents and take part in activities like VE Day, VJ Day, Summer Fete, Quizzes, carers café and so on. How wonderful to lead the first school assembly at Newlands Primary Academy, where we heard the story of Squeak the Harvest Mouse.

It has been wonderful to see the community grow and help in some small way with how that happens. It could be through our Anna Chaplaincy team, who visit those older in age and are unable to get to church, or wish to talk about spiritual matters. We are also available for all life events.

Connecting is a two-way process. Yes, it would be great to see you at one of our churches, and you can keep in touch with events through our website. But as your community develops, we are also here to support you in the community, and we will hold events on-site. Should you have any ideas and thoughts, please contact me.

**Season's Greetings and a wonderful 2026.**

Revd Dr Coleen Jackson  
Curate

✉ [coleen.jackson@christchurchportsdown.org](mailto:coleen.jackson@christchurchportsdown.org)

**JOIN US FOR OUR  
CHRISTMAS  
FAIR**

**7TH DECEMBER 2025  
FROM 12PM TO 3PM**

Newlands Primary Academy  
Marrelsmoor Avenue, PO7 3FE

Everyone is very welcome to our community Christmas Fair.

We have lots of exciting things to look forward to including:  
Magician, Bubbleologist, Christmas Entertainment, Christmas Shopping Stalls and much more!

University of Chichester  
Academy Trust

Christmas Services in the parish of  
Portsdown and Purbrook

**You are invited!**

<b>Christ Church Portsdown</b>	<b>St John's Purbrook</b>
(London Road, PO6 3NB)	(London Road, PO7 5LG)
<b>Sunday 21st, 6.00pm</b> Carols by Candlelight	<b>Sunday 14th, 9.30am</b> Christingle Service
<b>Christmas Eve, 2.30pm</b> Family Carols / Nativity	<b>Sunday 21st, 9.30am</b> Carols and Readings
<b>Christmas Eve, 11.30pm</b> Midnight Communion	<b>Christmas Eve, 4.00pm</b> Family Carols / Nativity
<b>Christmas Day, 10.00am</b> Christmas Communion	<b>Christmas Day, 8.00am</b> Christmas Communion

**JOY**

[www.portsdown-purbrook.org](http://www.portsdown-purbrook.org)

# Events / Activities in the area

21st November – 22nd December

## **Winchester Cathedral Christmas Market**

For opening times & parking details:  
[www.winchester-cathedral.org.uk/christmas](http://www.winchester-cathedral.org.uk/christmas)

Throughout December

## **Christmasville at Gunwharf Quays**

[christmas-ville.com/portsmouth/?utm\\_term=45252&utm\\_medium=referral&utm\\_campaign=462643\\_prt&utm\\_source=landing&utm\\_content=partnerlanding](http://christmas-ville.com/portsmouth/?utm_term=45252&utm_medium=referral&utm_campaign=462643_prt&utm_source=landing&utm_content=partnerlanding)

## **Christmas at Uppark House & Garden**

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/sussex/uppark-house-and-garden/christmas-at-uppark-house-and-garden>

Friday, 5th December 4pm – 7pm

Newlands Parish Council: **Christmas Lights Switch On with ITV's Fred Dinenage** with free refreshments, crafts & choir  
Newlands Community Hall, Marrelsmoor Avenue

Saturday, 6th December 11am – 2.30pm

## **Cathedral Christmas Fair**

Portsmouth Cathedral, PO1 2HH

Saturday, 6th December 7pm

## **Big Fat Quizmas**

Denmead Community Centre, PO7 6LU

Sunday, 7th December 12pm – 3pm

## **Newlands Primary Academy Xmas Fair**

NPA, Marrelsmoor Avenue, Waterlooville PO7 3FE

Sunday, 7th December 11am – 4pm

## **Christmas Market**

Tuppyeny Barn, Main Road, Southbourne PO10 8EZ

Sunday 7th, 14th & 21st December

## **Christmas at Stansted House**

Tuesday, 9th December 10am – 12pm

## **Dementia Carers Group – Gosport**

Bridgemary, Rowner & Woodcot Community Assoc,  
Wych Lane, Gosport

Wednesday, 10th December 11am – 1pm (monthly social)

## **Waterlooville Support & Social Group (Dementia Support)**

All Saints Church, Denmead, Hambledon Road, Hants

Thursday, 11th December 1.30pm to 3.30pm

## **Kitbags Live on – Havant**

Bedhampton Community Centre,  
21 Bedhampton Road, Havant

Friday, 12th December morning

## **Christmas Calligraphy Workshop**

Stansted House

Saturday, 13th December 10.30am (runs weekly)

## **Parkrun** (check website: <https://www.parkrun.org.uk/>)

Staunton Country Park, PO9 5HD

Saturdays, 6th to 21st December 2pm

## **Christmas Magic**

Staunton Farm:

[www.hants.gov.uk/thingstodo/countryparks/staunton-farm/plan-your-visit/events/Christmas-Magic-at-the-Farm?date=202512131000](http://www.hants.gov.uk/thingstodo/countryparks/staunton-farm/plan-your-visit/events/Christmas-Magic-at-the-Farm?date=202512131000)

Saturday 13th December 10am – 12pm

## **Festive mosaic xmas decorations**

Queen Elizabeth Country Park

[www.hants.gov.uk/thingstodo/countryparks/qecp/visit-us/whatson/mosaic-christmas-decorations](http://www.hants.gov.uk/thingstodo/countryparks/qecp/visit-us/whatson/mosaic-christmas-decorations)

Saturday, 13th December 6.30pm

## **90s Silent Disco**

Portsmouth Cathedral PO1 2HH

Tuesday, 16 December 7.30pm

## **Royal Ballet: The Nutcracker screening**

The Spring, Havant

Friday, 19th December 7pm – 9pm

## **Christmas craft workshop (adults only)**

Dragonfly Arts Studio, PO7 7TH

Friday, 19th December 2pm

## **Winter Solstice Celebration**

Butser Ancient Farm

[www.butserancientfarm.co.uk/whats-on/calendar/winter-solstice-celtic-stories](http://www.butserancientfarm.co.uk/whats-on/calendar/winter-solstice-celtic-stories)

Saturday, 20th December

## **Christmas Crafts & Carols**

Newlands Community Hall, Marrelsmoor Avenue

22nd December 10am to 12pm

## **Family Christmas crafts workshop**

Dragonfly Arts Studio, PO7 7TH

Tuesday, 23rd & Wednesday 24 December 11am & 1.30pm

## **The Polar Express screening**

The Spring, Havant

Wednesday, 24th December 11pm – 12am

## **Midnight Mass**

Portsmouth Cathedral, PO1 2HH

Last Sunday of every month commencing 28th December

## **Free Yoga**

Queen Elizabeth Country Park

[www.hants.gov.uk/thingstodo/countryparks/qecp/visit-us/whatson/Y-PopUp-Yoga-2025?date=202512280930](http://www.hants.gov.uk/thingstodo/countryparks/qecp/visit-us/whatson/Y-PopUp-Yoga-2025?date=202512280930)



Friday, 9th January 7.30pm to 9.45pm

**Motown by Candlelight**

Portsmouth Cathedral, PO1 2HH

Saturday, 10th January 10am – 3pm

**Spiritual & Holistic Fayre**

The Gaiety Southsea, South Parade Pier, Portsmouth

Saturday, 31st January 7.30pm

**The Book of Genesis (tribute to Genesis)**

The Spring, Havant

Friday, 6th February 7.30pm

**Dreams of FM (Fleetwood Mac Tribute)**

Kings Theatre, Portsmouth

Friday, 20th February 7.30pm

**Not the Rolling Stones (tribute)**

The Spring, Havant

Friday, 20th February 7pm

**Slaine: The Horned God (Storytelling)**

Butser Ancient Farm

[www.butserancientfarm.co.uk/whats-on/calendar/storytelling-slaine-horned-god-jason-buck](http://www.butserancientfarm.co.uk/whats-on/calendar/storytelling-slaine-horned-god-jason-buck)

February Half Term

**Family crafting workshop**

Dragonfly Arts

February Half Term

**Free music workshop**

Southern Music Project, Berewood Primary School

Monday, 2nd to Saturday 7th March (various times)

**2:22 (A Ghost Story)**

Kings Theatre, Portsmouth

Friday, 6th March 7pm

**Springtime Folksong**

Butser Ancient Farm

[www.butserancientfarm.co.uk/whats-on/calendar/folk-music-cohen-braithwaite-kilcoyne](http://www.butserancientfarm.co.uk/whats-on/calendar/folk-music-cohen-braithwaite-kilcoyne)

Tuesday, 10th March 3.30pm to 6pm

**"You asked . . . We actioned" Berewood drop-in surgery**

Newlands Primary Academy, Marrelsmoor Ave PO7 3FE

Friday 13th & Saturday 14th March

**Spring Floristry Workshop**

Stansted House, Rowlands Castle PO9 6DX

Sunday, 15th March

**Mothering Sunday House Opening**

Stansted House, Rowlands Castle PO9 6DX

Wednesday, 18th March 7.30pm

**The Very Best of Frankie Valli & the Four seasons show**

Kings Theatre, Portsmouth

Sunday, 5th April

**Easter House opening**

Stansted House, Rowlands Castle PO9 6DX

Date TBC

**Easter Egg Hunt**

Uppark House & Garden, GU13 5QR

Dates TBC

**Easter services & crafting workshop**

St John's Purbrook and Christ Church Portsdown

Thursday, 9th April 10.30am to 12.30pm

**Spring Watch with HIWWT**

Berewood Venue TBC

Saturday, 2nd May 10am

**Comic Con 2026**

Guildhall Square, Portsmouth PO1 2AB

# Newlands community group



Events from the Newlands Community Group, delivered at Newlands Community Hall, Marrelsmoor Avenue PO7 3BX (unless otherwise stated)

Repair Café

13th December, 1pm-4pm.

Christmas Quiz Night

13th December, 7pm-9pm.

Repair Café

10th January, 1pm-4pm.  
Waterlooville Community Centre, PO7 7AY.

Repair Café

14th February, 1pm-4pm.

Bird Box Building

7th March, 2pm-4pm.

Repair Café

14th March, , 1pm-4pm.

Family Quiz with Chippy tea

31st March, 4pm-8pm.

Repair Café

11th April, 1pm-4pm.

Repair Café

9th May 1pm-4pm.  
Waterlooville Community Centre, PO7 7AY.

Bug Hotel Building

23rd May, 2pm-4pm.

## Waterlooville Library Regular Events

### Children's



#### Rhymetime

**Mondays & Thursdays  
10am & 11am**

Fun singing and action rhymes for babies and toddlers with their parents or carers. Under 5's

#### Baby Play

**Every Friday 9:30-10:30am**

Drop-in sensory play session for babies and social opportunity for their parents or carers. 0-12 months

#### Toddler Time

**Every Friday 11am-12noon**

Come along to our free fun play session for toddlers aged 1-2.

#### StoryTime

**First Wednesday of the month  
10:30am**

**Not on in August and January**  
Enjoy stories and rhymes

#### Children's Saturday Activities

##### Construction Club

1st Saturday of the month 10am-2pm

##### Craft Club

2nd Saturday of the month 10am-12pm

##### Family Board Games Club

3rd Saturday of the month 10am-2pm

##### Saturday Storytime

4th Saturday of the month 10am-10:30am



#### School Holidays

Saturday clubs may not run as normal during the Summer

Please look out for our activities posters or scan the QR code below



Parents/carers to stay at all clubs/events

### Adult's

#### Learning in Libraries

We also offer many free courses and workshops through our partner Learning in Libraries. Visit [shop.hants.gov.uk](http://shop.hants.gov.uk), or scan the QR code below to find your next interest!



#### Needlecraft Group

**Every Wednesday  
10:30am-12:30pm and  
1:30pm-3:30pm**

Come along with a new or current project and make friends. Knitting, crocheting and embroidering welcome

#### Board Games Club

**Every Tuesday & Thursday  
Every 2 weeks on Friday  
10:30am-12:30pm**

Enjoy classic games - Rummikub, Whist, Cribbage and Scrabble

#### Wellbeing Coffee Morning

**First Friday of the month  
10am-12noon**

Working in partnership with bereavement care from Southern Co-op. Meet other people who understand what you are going through



#### Chat About

**Every Tuesday  
10:30am-11:30am**

Come along to our weekly drop-in. Have a chat and meet new friends

## Free Cooking Class



Learn to cook budget friendly meals and gain tips on cooking and shopping. Once you've finished cooking sit and enjoy your meal with others.

Take home a bag of food to continue cooking what you've learnt at home

**MONDAY 1<sup>ST</sup>, 8<sup>TH</sup>, 15<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER  
11.30-1.30PM**

Park Community School



To book your place email [courses@itchen.ac.uk](mailto:courses@itchen.ac.uk)

### Adult Learning in Libraries

Recently awarded 'Good' at their Ofsted inspection, Hampshire Learning in Libraries offers a wide range of adult learning courses in libraries, community hubs and online.

If you are a Hampshire resident aged 19 and over, many courses are free, being funded by Hampshire Achieves.

With subjects ranging from arts and crafts, paediatric and emergency first aid, parenting courses, improving your wellbeing, exercise and fitness, music courses, beginners computing, English for speakers of other languages or help with practical skills for job seeking, there's something for everyone.

For more information and to book your place. please visit our online shop at:-

[shop.hants.gov.uk/collections/learning-in-libraries](http://shop.hants.gov.uk/collections/learning-in-libraries)

Alternatively phone the friendly Learning in Libraries team on

**023 9223 2957**

Try something new today!





# Your local community groups

Find out more, please visit:

Newlands Community Group  
[www.newlandscommunitygroup.com](http://www.newlandscommunitygroup.com)

Waterlooville Community Centre  
[www.waterloovillecommunity.org.uk](http://www.waterloovillecommunity.org.uk)

Clanfield Centre  
[www.clanfieldcentre.co.uk](http://www.clanfieldcentre.co.uk)

The Spring Arts & Heritage Centre | Havant, Hampshire  
[www.thespring.co.uk](http://www.thespring.co.uk)

Community First  
[www.cfirsr.org.uk](http://www.cfirsr.org.uk)

Havant Orchestra  
[publicity.havantorchestras@gmail.com](mailto:publicity.havantorchestras@gmail.com)

Citizens Advice Havant:  
[www.citizensadvicehavant.org](http://www.citizensadvicehavant.org)

Waterlooville Library  
[www.hants.gov.uk/librariesandarchives/library/libraryfinder/waterlooville-library](http://www.hants.gov.uk/librariesandarchives/library/libraryfinder/waterlooville-library)

Hampshire Home Start (Havant)  
[info@hshants.org.uk](mailto:info@hshants.org.uk),

Sharps Copse Children's and Family Centre  
Prospect Ln, Havant PO9 5PE

What's on in Havant Borough  
[www.facebook.com/HavantBorough](http://www.facebook.com/HavantBorough)



## FILM NIGHT



USUALLY ON THE LAST SATURDAY  
OF THE MONTH

DOORS OPEN AT 7PM

Pop into the office/call to reserve, or buy on the night!

DENMEAD COMMUNITY CENTRE  
SCHOOL LANE, DENMEAD. PO7 6LU  
02392 256132

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## CHRISTMAS AT STANSTED PARK

THURSDAY 4, THURSDAY 11 & WEDNESDAY  
17 DECEMBER - EVENING CHRISTMAS TOUR  
OF STANSTED HOUSE

FRIDAY 5 & SATURDAY 6 DECEMBER -  
A CHRISTMAS CAROL - IMMERSIVE  
THEATRE

SUNDAY 7, SUNDAY 14, SUNDAY 21  
DECEMBER - CHRISTMAS AT STANSTED  
HOUSE

FRIDAY 12 DECEMBER -  
AM- CHRISTMAS CALLIGRAPHY  
WORKSHOP  
PM- CLASSICAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT  
WITH PETER AND VERITY AUTY



# Local parental support

**The School Nursing Service works with children and young people to ensure that their health needs within school, home and community settings are met in line with the Havant Community Public Health Nursing Team 5-19.**

As Specialist Public Health Practitioners our aim is to work in partnership with families, health, education, social care and partner agencies.

## How the School Nursing team can help?


Many health and wellbeing issues may be addressed by signposting young people and families to the Hampshire Healthy Families webpages at:

 [www.hampshirehealthyfamilies.org.uk/](http://www.hampshirehealthyfamilies.org.uk/)


Which includes supportive information and advice that parents, young people and professionals will find useful.

Parents/carers and young people can also be signposted to use our ChatHealth texting services:


Advice for parent/carers of children 0-5 years

 Text - 'ChatHealth' on **07520615720**

Advice for parent/carers of children 5-19 years

 Text - 'ChatHealth' on **07507332417**

Advice for young people aged 11 – 19 years

 Text - 'ChatHealth' on **07507332160**

We offer an individualised episode of care up to 4 contacts regarding the following:

## Emotional health and well-being

Emerging anxiety which is disproportionate to development level where school based and/or self-help support or strategies have not been successful. For more information see Hampshire CAMHS FAQ's for thresholds of referral:

 [hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk/help/parents-carers](http://hampshirecamhs.nhs.uk/help/parents-carers)

## Healthy weights and lifestyles

We offer advice and signposting regarding the following:

- Physical and Emotional Health and well being
- Healthy weights and lifestyles
- Support during transition through school
- Relationships, sexual health, and substance misuse
- Parenting advice: accident prevention, sleep, behaviour and signposting for continence support
- Children and young people with complex or additional health needs
- Support for children and young people not in school, in accessing the Healthy Child Programme.

Parents can watch our recorded webinar with two of our 0-19 team experts on how to support good sleep in school-aged children, visit Hampshire Healthy Families

 [www.hampshirehealthyfamilies.org.uk/events-courses-workshops](http://www.hampshirehealthyfamilies.org.uk/events-courses-workshops)

Please be aware the school nurse team are not commissioned to:

- Complete hearing checks for children
- Deliver a counselling service
- Respond to urgent referrals that require immediate support from Childrens Services, a GP or Children and Adolescent Mental health service (CAMHS).
- Deliver health training sessions to school staff [e.g. anaphylaxis, epilepsy]
- To offer a continence service

## Who can access our services?

The School Nursing service provides health services for children and young people aged 5 -19 who attend state funded schools within Hampshire [excluding Portsmouth and Southampton]. We also offer services to children and young people who are home educated. Hampshire and Isle of Wight Healthcare Foundation Trust offer immunisation programmes to children and young people attending private schools, however we are not currently commissioned to offer wider public health School Nursing services to children and young people in these schools.





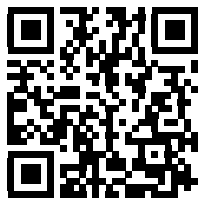
# Holidays activity sheet


## As we creep closer to Christmas it is the season of baking!

The nights are closing in and the mornings are crisper, nothing better than baking a sweet treat to share over the holiday. Here are links to recipes by the brilliant Jane's Patisserie.

### Rocky Road Christmas Pudding

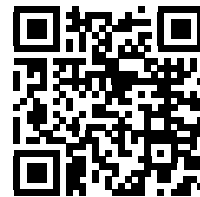
A delicious alternative to the traditional Christmas pudding! For the chocoholics out there!



 [www.youtube.com/  
watch?v=6gQoVows-\\_g](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=6gQoVows-_g)

### Vegan Biscoff Cupcakes

A light sponge with delicious Biscoff icing, what's not to love?



 [www.youtube.com/  
watch?v=PkjsokNONQA](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PkjsokNONQA)

### Bailey's Loaf Cake

Rich, fudgy and well ..... Baileys mmmmmmmm!



 [www.youtube.com/  
watch?v=Pb6ZUvBRcO4](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Pb6ZUvBRcO4)

# A fresh start for your finances

## New Year, New Financial Habits



As we head into a new year, many of us start thinking about healthier habits — and that can include our finances too.

January is the perfect time to take stock, get organised, and make sure your money is working as hard as it can for you.

With the tax year ending on **5th April 2026**, there's still time to make the most of the allowances available to you.

A few small steps between now and spring can really pay off.



## Make the Most of Your Allowances

Your **ISA allowance** lets you save up to **£20,000** each year with no tax on growth or withdrawals – one of the easiest ways to grow your savings tax-free.

If you've been meaning to start or top up your **pension**, the new year is a perfect time.

You'll receive valuable tax relief on your contributions, giving your retirement savings an extra lift.

If you invest outside of ISAs or pensions, remember that only the first **£3,000** of capital gains is tax-free this year, and the **dividend allowance** has reduced to **£500** – so it's worth checking how your investments are structured.

Couples may also benefit from the **Marriage Allowance**, where one partner can share some of their unused tax-free allowance with the other – saving around **£250 a year**.

And if passing wealth to family is on your mind, don't forget your annual **£3,000 gift allowance** – a simple way to start planning for the future.

## New Year Money Tips

**Use your ISA allowance:** Save or invest up to **£20,000** tax-free this year.

**Review your pension contributions:** Consider increasing them or starting a pension to take advantage of tax relief.

**Use your gift allowance:** You can give up to **£3,000** each tax year without it counting towards Inheritance Tax.

**Check your Marriage Allowance:** Share unused personal allowance between spouses or civil partners and save around **£250 a year**.

**Know your savings allowance:** The first **£1,000** of savings interest is tax-free for basic-rate taxpayers (£500 for higher-rate). After that, interest is taxed at your usual rate — so ISAs can be a great way to protect more of your savings.

Allowances/rates are correct as of 25th November 2025.

## A Positive Start

The new year is a wonderful opportunity to build healthy financial habits.

A little organisation now can make April feel calmer and help you step into 2026 feeling confident and in control.

Wishing you a happy, healthy, and financially confident New Year. 🍀

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contact us at: [berewood@graingerplc.co.uk](mailto:berewood@graingerplc.co.uk)

There is no charge, however we reserve the right to choose  
what to share.



# Got a question?

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