

Armistice Day and the Remembrance Parade



It was a proud weekend with Armistice Day falling on Saturday, 11 November and our Remembrance Parade on Sunday 12 November. At 11am on the Saturday, everything came to a halt in the High Street as HMS Marlborough's bell was rung and a siren marked the start of a 2 minutes silence with the last post + sounded by accomplished local trumpet player, Basil King. The Mayor and Councillors stood with the High Sheriff, Lady Penelope Marland, on the steps of the Town Hall alongside the Head Boy, Alex Jewell and Head Girl, Alex Knighton from St John's Academy. This was followed by a wreath laying ceremony at the 7th Wiltshire Regiment War Memorial at London Road. At the Sunday Remembrance Parade, hundreds lined the High Street to watch as the parade marched to the New Road War Memorial led by the Phoenix Brass Band and the 4th Military Intelligence Battalion. Our Town Mayor and Councillors, the Commanding Officer of 4MI Bn, Claire Perry, MP, the Royal British Legion, the Emergency Services, the Cadet Forces, Scouts, Brownies and Guides all came to pay their respects to those who had lost their lives in war.

Many laid wreaths at the foot of the Memorial before attending a moving Remembrance Service at St Mary's Church.

Marlborough Community & Youth Centre



The Town Council is delighted by the offer of contributions towards the project as well as its success with external grant applications. McCarthy & Stone, developers at the new Cannings Place retirement apartments, will also be contributing to the project. There is still time to add support through Tesco's Bags of Help scheme by adding your blue discs to the box at the Marlborough store. This runs throughout November and December and if we receive the most discs, we can boost our fund by £4,000.

Refurbishment and redecoration is almost finished. CCTV, an access system and intruder alarms will now be installed to ensure that the building is secure as well as a suite of computers. We have a page dedicated to the project on our website at www.marlborough-tc.gov.uk where you can keep up with progress.



There will be a special opening event on Friday, 15 December and we are now taking bookings for hiring rooms from early January onwards. All enquiries should be made to Sue Fry, Office Manager, at the Town Council Offices.

Christmas Lights Switch on



A reminder that this year's event will be on Friday, 1 December. There'll be a Christmas market running, children's fairground rides, stage performances from local choral and dance groups and Santa will be in his grotto at the Town Hall from 3pm – 8pm. (Book your visit with him at www.rotarysanta2017.eventbrite.co.uk) A road closure will be in place to make sure everyone is safe, the High Street and parts of Kingsbury Street and New Road between 3pm-9pm

A Happy Christmas!
Town Councillors and staff wish all readers a very happy Christmas.

Christmas and New Year Opening - The Town Council offices will be closed from 4pm on Thursday, 21 December 2017 and re-open on Tuesday, 2nd January 2018.

Comments and enquiries to the council are always welcome, you can contact us on:-

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