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Community is our Greatest Strength

Batheaston Times is the best place to find out what's happening locally



The days are getting longer, and signs of spring, the season of hope, are starting to emerge. In my years representing Batheaston as your ward councillor, along with my fellow ward councillor Sarah Warren, I have seen first-hand that we have a hopeful and optimistic community here, one that we can be proud of.

My experience serving in the Royal Navy has taught me that we get the best results by cooperating. By working together in our dynamic community, with its numerous, active voluntary organisations, residents have proven time and again that the quality of everyday life here can be improved.

Looking at the wider world, these are very disturbing times. We see the harm deliberately caused by those who spread false 'information', sow mistrust and divide people instead of bringing them together. Community is our greatest strength for countering these threats. I believe that we build community by finding common ground. We do this by creating room for dialogue and by listening to each other. That allows us to identify what unites us, and to look together for solutions to the challenges we face.

We are so fortunate to live where we do. And we have even more potential to unlock! That is clear from what we have already accomplished by joining forces. I hope that you share my optimism about what our community will achieve in the year ahead.

I would especially like to highlight all that our unique local businesses contribute to our community, not only economically, but also as focal points where connection is built. Local businesses rely on your support – please help them flourish.

One important piece of news just come through concerns the future of the Good Shepherd church building. A project is now afoot to give it new life, as you will see from a page spread in this copy. No doubt Batheaston Times will carry further updates on this exciting project in its summer edition.

This issue of Batheaston Times focuses on what's in store over the next few months. If you would like to get in involved in volunteering for any of the groups showcased in this publication, please email us at hello@batheastontimes.co.uk. Our team looks forward to hearing from you.

Cllr Kevin Guy
 Chair of Batheaston Leadership Board

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Spring events calendar

A round-up of some of the events that are on in the village this Spring

NEW EVENT!

MEADOWFEST

Saturday 16th May
2pm start
Batheaston Church School

Mark up your calendars for MEADOWFEST '26. Batheaston Church School's annual fundraiser is back – bigger and better than ever

BACK APRIL 5TH!

BATH CITY YOUTH FOOTBALL SESSIONS

Every Saturday
9.30-11.30am
Rhymes Football Field

Football training for primary school age boys and girls, 4 - 10 years old. £5 per 2 hour session. Register and book at: www.bathcityyouthfc.com/batheaston

Starting again on Saturday April 25th!

NEW EVENT!

BATHEASTON SPRING FAIR

Saturday 14th March 2026,
12pm - 4pm
Batheaston Village Hall

A bumper afternoon with a Raffle, Tombola, Easter Cakes, Wooden Carvings, Jewellery stalls, Handmade Gifts and much more. Plus a cafe with light lunches, afternoon tea and Easter treats. In support of Wiltshire Air Ambulance

TERM TIME ONLY

YOUTH CLUB

For 11-18 year olds
Tue & Thurs 6.30-9.00pm
Batheaston Youth Club

£1.00 entry
Food & tuck shop available.
14+ years invited on Thursdays. 11-14 year olds currently attend both nights

TERM TIME ONLY

CUBS

Scout Hut
Every Monday
6.30 - 8pm

Being a Cub is all about growing and learning in small but mighty ways. Cubs are young people aged 8-10½yrs. We meet on Mondays from 6.30-8 pm at our Scout Hut School Lane Batheaston

23rdbathscouts.org/cubs/

NEW EVENT!

MOVIE CLUB FRIDAY

Batheaston Village Hall
Friday 6th Mar - 7pm
Arrive 6.30pm for refreshments
Cost for members: £5

A 2022 movie starring the wonderful Bill Nighy.

Email me to reserve a seat: tracey@brandtonic.co.uk



NEW EVENT!

ANNUAL VILLAGE MEETING

Tuesday 24th March
7pm – 8.30pm
New Village Hall

Here's your chance to learn about/discuss the good things about Batheaston - and think what we can do about the not so good. Community organisations will be giving brief presentations.

NEW EVENT!

SUMMER PARTY ON THE RIVERSIDE

Riverside
Saturday 6th June 12-6pm

Live Music, DJs, Food & Drink plus Boat rides, Donkey Rides and plenty of games and family fun. Free entry and everyone welcome.

TERM TIME ONLY

BEAVERS & SCOUTS

Scout Hut, every Thursday

Beavers (ages 6-8)
6 - 7.15pm
23rdbathscouts.org/beavers/

Scouts (ages 10.5-14)
7.30 - 9pm
23rdbathscouts.org/scouts/

Activities include cooking, building, problem solving, hiking, camping and adventures

TIGER MARTIAL ARTS

Thursdays
Batheaston Primary School
Juniors (School Year 1-6):
6:00-6:45pm
Seniors (School Year 6+):
6:45-7:30pm
Offering a month of free martial arts for children in School Year 1 and above. We develop self-control and build confidence through our Freestyle Taekwondo syllabus. Learn more about our mission on our website. www.tigermartialarts.club

WALKING FOOTBALL

Wednesdays
5.30-6.30pm
Indoors at the Batheaston Primary School

Please contact Richard Turner (mobile 07793 270762) for more information. All abilities welcome, aimed at over 50's, £3 per session.



NEW EVENT!

FOODIE FRIDAYS

Batheaston Village Hall
Fri 13th Mar
£5.00 donation per person
Includes: welcome drink, delicious main course, scrumptious dessert followed by tea/coffee
Good chat guaranteed, special diets catered for too.
To book or volunteer, get in touch with Sarah on bernina@uwclub.net or drop in at Penny's Pantry at the Rhymes Pavilion, Wednesdays 10am – Noon

BATHEASTON BINGO

Tuesday sessions
Doors open 12.30pm,
Eyes down 1pm
The Rhymes Pavilion

Entrance free, £4 per book, £1 per flyer.
Tea and Coffee available.
To book your place, contact Mary on 01225 858767 or Tina Lewis via Facebook messenger.
Please bring coins and a bingo buddy!

TERM TIME ONLY

BATHEASTON ALL SORTS TODDLER GROUP

Batheaston New Village Hall
Every Tuesday 9.30-11am

We have a wide variety of fun and educational toys, a weekly craft activity, snack time, story time and music time. There is tea and fresh coffee for grown ups and home-made cake. The cost of the session is £2 per family/childminder. www.facebook.com/groups/170815826444823



TERM TIME ONLY

SEN (SPECIAL EDUCATIONAL NEEDS) PARENTS/CARERS CAFÉ

Fridays 10.30-12.30 term time only. Upstairs room, Batheaston New Village Hall

If you are a parent or a carer join us for a chance to talk with other parent carers in a happy friendly place with coffee, tea and cake too. Anyone involved in any way caring for a young person with SEND, regardless of a diagnosis, is always very welcome. roxyrussell1985@gmail.com

TERM TIME ONLY

SOLSBURY SINGS COMMUNITY CHOIR

New Village Hall
Every Monday
7.30-8.45 pm

A friendly mixed choir for all abilities
Contact Cathy - cathy@solsburysings.co.uk



CREATIVE ROOTS -

Mikes Meadow, Northend, Batheaston, BA17EP
Family mornings the last Saturday of each month.

www.bookwhen.com/creativeroots

Activities include nature crafts, den building, bushcraft, sewing, simple campfire cooking, singing and storytelling



Grow Batheaston

Working Together From The Ground Up

Now is our busy season! Our Growers will be at the Riverside Car Park from 10 – 12 am on Saturdays 28th March, 25th April and 9th May for Seed and Plant Swaps. If you don't have something to swap, a small donation is fine. Our Growers are also looking forward to selling plants at Meadowfest on 16th May.

Our River Care group's 'patch' covers St Catherine's Brook and the River Avon from Bathford Bridge to the Toll Bridge. This group has linked up with BART (Bristol Avon River Trust) and together are now officially "River Guardians" under the auspices of *We Are Avon*. If you're not sure what a River Guardian does, check the Journal piece on our website.

In the Forest Garden the growing season is getting going, with animals and insects now emerging from hibernation. We continue to run the garden following low impact and organic principles – while growing plants for us humans, as well as for pollinators and other creatures.

- The garden is always open but if you want to meet/join our working party we are here on the first Sunday in every month 11am - 1pm. Occasionally bad weather or other events prevent us meeting up, but you can check out our website diary which we keep up to date.

If you have enjoyed our previous evenings of talks and films in the Village Hall, put our event 'Trees Grow, Rivers Flow...' Friday 5th June into your diary, and spread the word. Artist Lindsay Woodman, the artist group Walking Forest,

If you are interested in volunteering or becoming a GB trustee - please do get in touch.

Email: hello@growbatheaston.co.uk

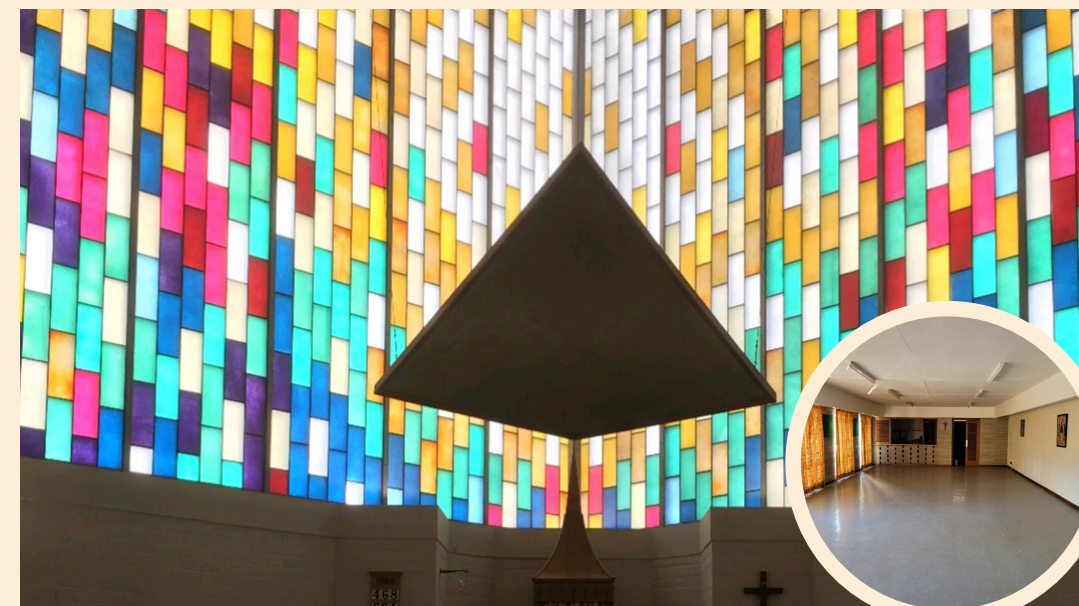
Website: www.growbatheaston.co.uk



environmentalist Phil Sturgeon from Protect Earth, wildlife film maker Aleks Domanski and others will continue to present the story of our River - and bring trees into the conversation.

Are you enjoying the monthly collections of nature photos on our website? Do contribute to these by emailing us a photo you would like to share, with a note of where and when it was taken.

- If you are interested in becoming a Grow Batheaston trustee or in joining our other volunteers please get in touch:



The Church of Good Shepherd

Good News!

- The Church of the Good Shepherd closed closed in March 2020.
 - Planning permission was approved by BANES on 16 July 2025 to demolish the church in favour of housing. despite 120 objections from local residents, Batheaston Parish Council and BANES Conservation Officer.
 - Local people applied (without success) to BANES to designate the Church as a community asset.
 - A public meeting was held on 29 July 2025 to gauge local opinion.
 - A small campaign group formed to design and promote a Petition in 20 August 2025, asking the Bishop of Clifton Diocese to give local people the opportunity to shape the future of the church to meet local needs.
 - The Church went on the market in November 2025. A Steering Group was formed in November 2025 to help promote and strengthen a community bid for the church.
 - A wide range of local groups then viewed the building. These groups reflected the need for childcare provision, a community shop/deli, a community hub, exhibition and performance space.
 - The steering group decided to support a bid by Wraxall Builders, a local firm which intends to lease part of the building for community use. The limited time-scale gave little scope to launch an effective fundraising campaign to purchase the building.
 - On 12 February 2026, Wraxall Builders won the bid with commitment to community involvement. The Petition was submitted to Bishop Bosco simultaneously with total of 850 signatures alongside supportive statements from local community organisations.
- The Campaign group will continue to liaise with Wraxall Builders, in consultation with Batheaston Leadership Group, our Ward and Parish Councillors to help cater for the needs of local residents.
- Good Shepherd Steering Group**

Batheaston Youth Club



Batheaston Youth Club (BYC) is a place for young people to enjoy and learn, and to plan activities together for the future - all in a supportive, purpose-built environment.



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COME + GET INVOLVED!

We've had a very good few months at the Youth Club. We had a great Christmas party and a very successful ice-skating trip. We are planning to do a trip in February to the indoor climbing centre in Corsham and go on a weekend residential trip with a PGL (local outdoor activity provider). So, please swing by the Youth Club if you're interested in any of this.

We launched our *Dungeons & Dragons* role play session in December. This has been a big success and has attracted some new members. Do you already play *Dungeons & Dragons* or want to find out what it's all about? Then please swing by the Youth Club on a Tuesday evening about 6.30pm and you'll be given a big welcome - or give me a call to chat it through.

We've had a new youth worker called Sam start with us recently. He has a wealth of experience working with young people at Bath City FC & Bristol City FC Foundations respectively. He's

great with the young people and has already brought new ideas to help grow and develop the Youth Club.

We hope to have a female volunteer starting with us soon who will look to lead on some baking and arts/crafts activities.

We are continuing to build partnerships with other organisations in the local area and in Bath. We have Off The Record doing a drop-in session in February. If you yourself want to come to talk to the young people about a specific relevant topic, or do a workshop for them, then please do get in touch.

The young people are continuing to enjoy football, table tennis, music and arts/crafts at the Club and we have also discussed starting parkour sessions.

See you at the Club soon! (Tues/Thurs 6.30pm-8.30pm), or give Jamie a ring on 07565124534.



BATHEASTON

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Spring fair

12PM - 4PM

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The Green House Home Educating Group

A Joyful Summer for the Green House Education Project

The Green House is a self-directed learning community for home educated children aged 5–16 located in Batheaston Youth Club.

Recently our young people participated in workshops with local artist Marian Hill, exploring the eye-opening world of insects and discovering the environment around us from a whole new perspective. We have enjoyed continuing with the science theme through joining the monthly Curious Kids workshops which are held next door in the New Village Hall.

This term we are moving from the microscopic world of insects to the infinity of space in a

collaboration with Bath Astronomers. This will see a planetarium pop up in the village hall, with some free spaces available for local families.

- Do look out over the year for our Offshoots programme of free workshops and activities open to local young people. Keep an eye out for posters around Batheaston or follow the project on Facebook for updates and booking information.

For more information on our Offshoots programme etc, contact Nicola and Jenny at admin@ourgreenhouse.org or visit www.ourgreenhouse.org.

Penny's Pantry & Community Café

Penny's Pantry (PP) is a not-for-profit organisation run by local volunteers to expand affordable food choice and to give social activities for local residents



Dear friends, Penny's Pantry keeps busy! We have already served our first two community lunches of 2026. You can find our monthly lunch dates up till June, with booking details, on another page of Batheaston Times. If you haven't yet come along, don't forget that you are most welcome. We ask a minimum donation of £5 for the welcome drink + lunch + coffee, but if you are able to give a bit more, that would always be appreciated.

Our regular lunch diners can also often be found at Penny's Pantry Coffee Mornings. These run on Wednesday each week 10am –

noon at the Rhymes Pavilion, Coalpit Road. Through January and most of February our loyal customers mainly arrived by canoe, complete with water wings. But only last week the shone directly in on us, the Pavilion facing almost due south. We were amazed by this rare sight...

Following the success of the coach trip to Abergavenny, Pantry regulars among others are off this week on another jaunt. They are visiting Oakham Treasures, near Portbury. You may have been there. There are most interesting displays, and also excellent refreshments on offer. What's not to like!



Welcome



Cheers!



Batheaston Village Hall Lunch Dates 2026

- Fri 16 Jan
- Fri 13 Feb
- Fri 13 Mar
- Fri 17 Apr
- Fri 15 May
- Fri 12 June

Minimum donation
£5.00pp includes

Welcome Drink
Main Course & Dessert
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please book a week in advance

via Sarah at bernina@uwclub.net, the Wednesday coffee team at the Rhymes Pavilion or the Parish Council on 01225 923820

Please always let us know if you have allergies, access or transport needs





FoBS

Mark up your calendars for MEADOWFEST '26. Batheaston Church School's annual fundraiser is back – bigger and better than ever. **Saturday, 16th May. 2pm Start. Location: Batheaston Church School**

Saturday 16th May 2-5 PM: Do come along to MEADOWFEST, an afternoon of fun, laughter, and community spirit. We're inviting everyone – students, families and the wider community – so join us for an unforgettable celebration, all in support of Batheaston Church School.

Why are we doing this? All funds raised will go towards upgrading our playground – giving every child the chance to play, climb, swing and slide in their own way!

Here's what's in store...

- Mr Bert circus performer
- Music to get you dancing
- Games & inflatables for endless excitement
- Face painting & crafts for little artists
- Café & cakes (because cake is life!)
- Ice creams & tuck shop for sweet treats
- Delicious food & bar for refreshments

Thursday, 26th June from 7pm, at the New Village Hall. We're planning for **THE ULTIMATE QUIZ NIGHT! BATHEASTON v BATHFORD**

Gather your team and put your knowledge to the test...

- **Book a table for up to 6 people – £45 per team**
- **Bar on the night –** because thinking is thirsty work!
- **Pre-order food & wine –** fuel your brainpower!
- **Prizes & bragging rights –** who will be the quiz champions?

All money raised at the Quiz Night will go towards funding resources and improvements for two already very special schools, making them even better for our children!

Little Indie Art Club

is coming to

Batheaston

New Village Hall

Saturday March 21st
at 10:30 to 12:00
Ages 6 to 12 years

Call **Jeannie** on 07718 792 535 to book



National Trust

A Lot Has Been Happening on Bathampton Meadows

Recently, whilst walking on Bathampton Meadows, I really noticed the regrowth of the hedge we laid last year. One has to have faith when laying a hedge, but what I saw really was testament to how we can trust the process. In 2025, 200m of hedge was laid, and over 6,000 trees were planted both as hedge and as stand-alone trees in the new wood pasture. Autumn and winter are very busy seasons, but it is often not until the spring that we get to see the fruits of our labours.

Today I acquired my last trees for the wood pasture, fifty heritage and rare varieties of Gloucestershire plum and pear. The names of some of these trees, such as *Dead Boy*, *Duck's Barn* and *Gin*, surely invite further research. The trees were much larger than anticipated, and I would like to thank my volunteers for again doing such great work planting them. Your help is invaluable. We also want to thank the *Forest*

of Avon who provided the funding for the trees. They have even been organising their own tree planting days and have been coming in with volunteers to get more trees in the ground.

We are delighted to announce that in December 2025 the public right of way off Mill Lane into the new wood pasture was reinstated, creating a direct access link onto National Trust land.

Finally, a bit about the wild beavers. In recent years there has been some beaver activity on the Meadows, and those signs have now increased. It may look destructive, but beavers are nature's natural engineers, coppicing the willow. Willow grows back quickly, and the cycle continues.

For more information on beavers, please visit the Avon Wildlife Trust's website.

Joanne, National Trust Community Ranger



Batheaston Church School

Hands-On Learning Takes a Prehistoric Turn at Batheaston Church School

Our youngest pupils in Apple Class have been travelling back millions of years for their new topic as **Dinosaur Detectives**. The children have been putting on their palaeontologist hats to investigate how dinosaurs lived, what they looked like, and the clues they left behind. They have been learning about real-life fossil hunters such as Mary Anning, and finding out how fossils help scientists piece together our planet's history. Apple Class especially enjoyed creating their own fossils using clay.

The children have also been reading a range of dinosaur stories and non-fiction texts to build their knowledge. From writing fact files to drawing labelled diagrams, they have shown wonderful curiosity and creativity. Art sessions have been filled with colourful dinosaurs. And in science we have been sorting animals into herbivores, carnivores and omnivores - just like real dinosaur experts. Learning was further enriched when we welcomed two wonderful visitors, both true experts in their fields.

Lisa Brown, a grandmother from within our school community, visited Apple Class to share her experience as an archaeologist. The children were captivated as she spoke about her many digs and the fascinating historical artefacts she had helped uncover. We loved hearing her stories and discovering how archaeologists carefully unearth clues about the past.

We were also delighted to host Chris Selby, an accomplished fossil hunter who dedicates countless hours to preparing his finds for stunning sculptural displays. Chris shared his passion with the class and brought along a selection of beautiful fossils for the children to examine up close. Their excitement was evident as they handled real prehistoric treasures and learned about the delicate work involved in revealing them.

Apple Class children have truly embraced their role as Dinosaur Detectives. Their enthusiasm, questioning, and brilliant discoveries have given a roaring start to the spring term!

St John's with St Catherine's

Spring Events and Church Services in Batheaston and at St Catherine's



Snowdrops are always a sign of hope as we begin to emerge from winter. They seem to have been especially beautiful this year – perhaps it is all the rain! They are a marker of winter turning into spring, and come as we just begin to look towards Easter.

Dates:

- 25th February**, St Swithun's
- 4th March**, St John's
- 11th March**, St Swithun's
- 18th March**, Rhymes Pavilion, Coalpit Road, Batheaston
- 25th March**, St Swithun's

The season of Lent helps us to prepare for the great celebration that is Easter. On Wednesdays this Lent five local people are going to be sharing the story of their life and faith. As Batheaston is in a benefice (group) with St Catherine's and Bathford, we will alternate the venue between the villages. You are most warmly invited to all these meetings.

Looking ahead to Holy Week and Easter: Please watch out for leaflets in church, at the Rhymes Pavilion, and online. These will be out soon giving details of our services in Holy Week, on Good Friday and on Easter Day. We will be offering children's activities, worship online, in the Secret Garden and of course in church. Wherever you are on your spiritual path, you are most welcome to come along.

Wednesday talks/lunches details: Please come at 11.45am promptly. We will be providing a simple soup lunch. We are not charging for this, but please each time will you bring along a donation for our speaker's chosen charity.

With every blessing as we journey on together,

Lauretta



Can you help support your community?

Here are some of the clubs, organisations and groups we have in the village who would love to hear from you about volunteering, joining and helping out



- **Grow Batheaston**
Contact: hello@growbatheaston.co.uk
- **Batheaston Youth Club**
Contact: 07905 905970 or 07773252870
- **FoBS**
Contact: friendsofbatheaston@gmail.com
- **Penny's Pantry**
Contact: bernina@uwclub.net
- **Batheaston Parish Council**
Contact: clerk@batheaston-pc.gov.uk
- **St John's with St Catherine's**
Contact: revlauretta@outlook.com
- **Wern**
Contact: maryjane@wern.org.uk
- **National Trust**
Contact: bathskyline@nationaltrust.org.uk

Batheaston Parish Council

The Parish Council has ambitious plans to develop its various properties.



Many of you enjoy the Secret Garden, an oasis of calm in the centre of the village. A small band of volunteers, the "Secret Gardeners", care for it and are always keen to welcome new members. Interested? Contact me or come along to their Open Garden Afternoon, 2pm-5pm on Saturday 25th April. The "Secret Gardeners" also look after the Forest Garden within the Secret Garden, a small area for exploration and play much valued by young children.

- As Parish Clerk I am now requesting planning permission to repair the Secret Garden wall (part of which is listed) in the next few months.

The Parish Council has ambitious plans to develop its various properties. These plans include renewing the Rhymes Pavilion, creating a nature walk through the woods along the brook, upgrading the sports facilities and completing the refurbishment of the playground by replacing the equipment for older children.

- If you are interested in helping to fulfil any of these plans, please contact me.

As you will be aware, the Parish Council funds its activities from your council tax, in addition to the money B&NES collects. For the year from April 2026, Parish Councillors are setting this payment to match inflation (running at c. 3.8%). A Band D household will be paying about £116. To stretch funding further the Parish Council has established the Batheaston Sports Foundation charity. This can apply for grants where we cannot. More on this in the next edition.

Everyone is welcome at our Annual Village Meeting, 7pm – 8.30pm on Tuesday 24th March, at the New Village Hall. Here's your chance to learn about/discuss the good things about Batheaston - and think what we can do about the not so good. Community organisations will be giving brief presentations. There'll be a special focus on preparing for/responding to emergencies, such as the floods we often experience in the heart of the village.

Summer Party on the Riverside, Saturday 6th June 12-6pm

Live Music, DJs, Food & Drink plus Boat rides, Donkey Rides and plenty of games and family fun. Free entry and everyone welcome.

Richard Maccabee,
clerk@batheaston-pc.gov.uk



Batheaston Village Hall

Your Community Space, available for Private Events and Commercial Bookings

Huge thanks go to Catherine McCarthy for securing a national lottery grant for the new AV equipment in our main hall. We now have a large 5m screen and speaker system. It's a great addition to the hall for movie nights, potential sports screenings, corporate conferences and film screenings etc.

Please see our website timetable for regular weekly classes. Here is a list of other currently booked public events (this is also available to view chronologically on the what's on section of the website).

Book Club Tuesdays 3rd March, 7th April & 5th May 7-8.15pm

Cosy Craft Club - Craft and Chat Nights Tuesdays 10th March, 14th April & 12th May 7.15-9.15pm

Movie Club evening - Friday 6th March 6.30pm, then monthly (check the what's on section for more info.)

Movie Club afternoons - Thursday 19th March 2pm then monthly (check the what's on section for more info.)

BANES Baby and Toddler Hub - Thursdays 5th March, 2nd April & 7th May 2-3.30pm

Curious Kids Hands-on Science for Home-

Educated 4 to 12-year-olds. Thursday 12th March and Wednesdays 29th April & 20th May, 10:30-11.30am and 12.15-1.15pm

Community Lunch Fridays 13th March, 17th April & 15th May from Noon

Deep Reset Yoga breath working sound bath, Friday 20th March, 7-9.30pm

Self Love Sundays - BWell Day Retreat, Sunday 8th March, 10.30-4.30pm

Craft Fair - Saturday 14th March, 12-4pm supporting Wiltshire Air Ambulance

Little Indie Art Club - Saturday 21st March, 10.30am-12noon

Community Ceilidh and Curry night - Saturday 21st March, 6.30-10pm

Solsbury Hill Ensemble Community Concert - Sunday 22nd March

Annual Village Meeting - Tuesday 24th March 7pm

Action Challenge Event - Saturday 28th March

Pop Up Pub - May date tbc

Please follow us on Facebook and Instagram for regular updates. For any enquiries drop me an email booking@batheastonhall.org.

Ali Rogers, Bookings Manager, 07770 368836

Class Schedule

For more info email: booking@batheastonhall.org



Mondays	Tuesdays	Wednesdays	Thursdays	Fridays
9-11am Curious Child 9.45-11.45am & 2.15-4.15pm Art History 6-7pm Pump Power with Charlie	9.30-11am Toddlers 9.30-12.30pm Watercolour Art with Rachel 9.30-10.30am Pilates with Wendy 7-9pm Craft and Chat 2nd Tuesday of the month 7-8.15pm Book Club 1st Tuesday of the month 7.30-8.45pm Solsbury Sings	9.30-10.15am Zumba with Jess 9.30-4pm Rainbow Dementia Day Care 10.15-11.15am Yoga with Clare 6.25-7.10pm Pilates with Gaby 7.30-8.30pm Pilates with Gaby	9.30am-2.30pm Curious Kids science for home schooled kids once a month 9.45-10.45am Pilates with Wendy 10.30-11.15am & 11.45-12.30am Baby Sensory starting back 26th February 12noon-1pm Yoga with Sophie 2-3.30pm Baby and Toddler Hub 1st Thursday of the month 6.15-7.15pm Yoga with Chie 7.30-11pm Ceroc Dancing	9.30-10.30am Singing Tree 10.30am-12.30pm SEN Cafe 10.45-11.45am Yoga with Eve 12 noon Community Lunch once a month 6-9pm Pop Up Pub hall fundraiser once a quarter
				Sundays
				9.30-10.15am HIIT Yoga with Kate



Batheaston Twinning Association

Forthcoming Visit to Oudon, France May 2026

Planning for Batheaston Twinning Association's visit to Oudon, the French village twinned with our own, is well under way. Travellers will be using either their own cars or journeying by coach. We are sharing our coach with a twinning association based near Taunton (their members will be making their way to another village in the Loire valley, close to Oudon).

Our main party will depart from Batheaston at approximately 4.00pm on Wednesday 27th May 2026. They will rendezvous with our Taunton friends and travel on to Portsmouth for the overnight ferry to Cherbourg. The next day will comprise a leisurely coach trip with a lunch stop. We will be arriving at Oudon around 4.00pm. Both coach and car travellers will gather at the Mayor's offices for a drinks reception and to meet the French families with whom they will be staying.

The hospitality and generosity of our French hosts is hard to beat! As we go to press, our French hosts have not as yet confirmed the programme for our visit. However, a boat trip

on the Loire and a visit to Nantes are very likely. There will be a large communal meal with entertainment on at least one evening, and we will be visiting a local school.

The coach party returns on Sunday 31st May, arriving in Batheaston around midnight. Meanwhile those travelling in their own cars often use the opportunity to explore more of France either before or after the Twinning week-end itself.

The coach cost is £200 per adult or £150 for a child. The cost per person for a four-berth cabin on the ferry, outward journey, is £65. There are still a few cabin places available.

Are you interested in travelling to Oudon from May 27th to May 31st, either by coach or by making your own way? If you want further information do please get in touch: batheastontwinning.association@gmail.com

The accompanying photograph shows a painting of the Château at Oudon. It was gifted to BTA by Oudon Twinning Association last year.

We need some helpers!

Our local school, church, youth club, scouts group, charitable organisations and clubs really need your help for our community to grow.

If you'd like to get involved, please get in touch:
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