



# SPOTLIGHT ON GREYFRIARS



GREYFRIARS  
COMMUNITY CENTRE



## PAUL MARTIN - THURS 30 APRIL

We are delighted to announce the return of Paul Martin, here **Thursday 30 April**, for a special Valuation Day and interactive session. Guests are invited to bring their items for valuation any time between **10:30 AM and 2:00 PM** at no cost. Following these sessions, Paul has generously offered to support our Community Cafe fundraiser by hosting a Question and Answer event accompanied by afternoon tea. This ticketed **Q&A session will begin at 2:00 PM**. Tickets for the afternoon tea and discussion are priced at **£8** and can be purchased directly at the centre or online via **Ticketsource**. We look forward to welcoming you for a day of discovery and community support.



## CRAFTFULNESS GROUP

Greyfriars is excited to announce the launch of a **new self-led Craftfulness group** starting on **Friday, 10 April**. This initiative calls upon all knitters, beaders, card makers, and general crafters to join a community of like-minded individuals. The group offers a friendly and supportive space to work on projects, chat, and share creative ideas. Interested participants are invited to attend a free taster session to experience the atmosphere firsthand. Following the initial session, the weekly cost to attend is **£3**. Please **register your interest directly at Greyfriars** to secure your place in this welcoming new creative circle.



## STRING QUARTET - MUSIC APPRECIATION CLASS

Greyfriars is delighted to host a ten-week exploration into the history and repertoire of the string quartet. Led by expert tutor Ian Lowes, this engaging course guides participants from classical origins through to contemporary masterpieces. Attendees will enjoy expert insight, curated listening examples, and collaborative discussion in a welcoming environment. **The course runs on Monday mornings from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM, beginning 13 April and concluding 22 June 2026, excluding 25 May.** The full course fee is **£90 for all ten sessions**. We warmly invite both seasoned enthusiasts and curious newcomers to join us for this educational journey.



## POP UP COMMUNITY CAFE REVIEW

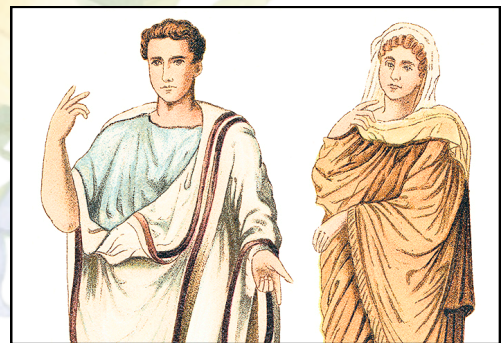
Our Pop-Up Community Café in March was a wonderful success, and we received great feedback despite the very temporary setup. We're incredibly grateful to our volunteer cake baker, who kept us supplied all week with delicious treats. A huge thank you also goes to Eco Coffee for kindly loaning us two machines and providing fantastic coffee, and to Boston Tea Party for the use of their outdoor tables. We truly couldn't have done it without you both. We're delighted to share that two grant applications have now been approved, giving us **£180,000** towards the build. To donate, please visit our website... [greyfriarsringwood.org.uk/community-cafe-donations/](http://greyfriarsringwood.org.uk/community-cafe-donations/)



## WALKING TREASURE HUNT

Celebrate the arrival of spring with an adventurous Walking Treasure Hunt through the historic streets of Ringwood. Starting from Greyfriars at **2:00 PM on Sunday, 12 April**, participants will solve a series of intriguing clues crafted by our resident historian, Mary Baldwin. After an afternoon of exploration, join us back at the centre for a traditional cream tea.

Tickets are available at the centre or via **Ticketsource**, priced at **£8 for adults and £4 for children**. All proceeds support Greyfriars, making this a wonderful way to enjoy a community outing while contributing to a great cause.



## STUDY GROUP - ROMAN WORLD

The Greyfriars Study Groups return this April with an engaging new course led by the popular Nick Griffiths. **Starting on Friday, 10 April, from 10:00 AM to 12:00 PM**, this series explores the archaeology, monuments, and personal documents that shaped the daily lives of ordinary citizens throughout the Roman world. Participants will embark on a fascinating journey across the provinces, spanning from Britain to Egypt. Registration for the **full course is now available for £70**. Interested attendees may book their place through **Ticket Source** or **directly at the centre** to secure their spot in this upcoming educational series.

# WHAT'S ON

Please check with the club, class or activity organiser to see how and when they are operating.

## MONDAY

FROM	TO		TEL.	LEADER
08:45	15:30	Pre-School	07852 342312	Fiona Tauber
09:15	11:30	Exercise to Independence 60+ (2 classes)	07810 876399	Martina Kaucka
09:20	10:20	Zumba	07730 462218	Claire Nightingale
09:45	10:45	Learn Spanish with Dan	07794197310	Dan Cox
10:00	12:00	Ringwood Lace Making	01725 517818	Audrey Johnson
10:00	12:00	Greyfriars Music Study Group	07798 502011	Audrey Walker
11:00	12:00	Learn Spanish with Dan	07794197310	Dan Cox
10:30	12:30	Ringwood Machine Knitting - 2nd	01425 472225	Maureen Gulliver
11:00	12:30	New Forest Disability - Drop in session	elizabeth@newforestdis.org.uk	
11:00	13:00	Ringwood Food Bank	info@ringwood.foodbank.org.uk	
12:12	13:15	Spanish Beginners A1	07794197310	Daniel Cox
12:45	14:00	Chair Yoga	01425 480839	Mari Dixon
13:00	17:00	GF Bridge Club	07455075993	Phil Tripp
14:00	16:00	Ping Pong	07550089967	Anne Melrose
13:45	16:30	Ringwood Afternoon W1 - 4th	07772 256457	Jane Dalton
15:15	19:00	Little Dance Class	07745 654784	Gina Sexton
18:00	19:00	Judo - 5 to 8 year olds	07725711959	Coach-Didier Dimario
19:00	20:00	Judo - Juniors	07725711959	Coach-Didier Dimario
20:00	21:00	Judo - Seniors	07725711959	Coach-Didier Dimario
18:00	22:30	R.A.W	01202 256403	Graham Winter
18:00	21:30	Pilates (6:00, 7:15, 8:20)	07984 127117	Sandie Wills
19:00	22:00	Ringwood Chess Club	07788 792527	Martin Clancy
19:30	22:00	Ringwood Anglo-Italian Society - 1st	07519790404	Hazel Dinelli
19:30	22:00	R & F Footpath Society - 2nd	07709 180329	Bill Morley
19:00	22:00	Art Society - 3rd	Ringwoodartsocietyuk@gmail.com	

## TUESDAY

FROM	TO		TEL.	LEADER
08:45	15:30	Pre-School	07852 342312	Fiona Tauber
08:30	12:00	Baby Sensory	07712 685532	Amber Bond
09:30	10:25	Adult Dance Class	07949 179282	Karen Jane
10:30	12:00	Jiggly Wrigglers	07898719200	Jeni Lyons
10:45	11:45	Zumba Gold - Low Intensity	07979 594144	Eva Jackson
11:00	12:00	Learn Spanish with Dan	07794197310	Dan Cox
11:45	12:40	Adult Dance Class	07949 179282	Karen Jane
13:45	14:45	Longwater Tai Chi	07792 979039	Gina Davenport
14:45	15:45	Longwater Tai Chi	07792 979039	Gina Davenport
14:00	16:30	Bridge School	07455075993	Philip Tripp
14:00	15:30	Back Strength/Suppleness-Yoga	07484 648866	Chris Folliard
16:15	18:20	Perform (ages 4-12)	02072559120	Kira Fairbairn
18:00	19:00	Dance Fitness	07515894708	Natalie Stradling
18:00	20:00	Rotary Club Meeting - 1st & 3rd	01425 475839	Chris Card
18:30	23:00	Ringwood Table Tennis Club	07770711137	Phil Smith
19:00	21:00	Ringwood Camera Club - 1st	07900 677791	Mike Richards
19:00	22:00	Fly Dressers Guild	07587 000223	Peter Wildash
19:00	23:00	PSV Circle - 3rd	01425 403434	Nick Cowdrey
19:30	21:30	Ringwood Scottish Country Dancing	01425654054	Romey Schofield
19:30	21:30	Philatelic Society 2nd	01425 470710	Gordon Masson

## WEDNESDAY

FROM	TO		TEL.	LEADER
08:45	15:30	Pre-School	07852 342312	Fiona Tauber
09:00	13:00	Beginners Pilates	07984 127117	Sandie Wills
10:00	12:00	Knit & Natter	01425 470002	June Scammell
10:00	12:00	GF Spinners	01725 514468	Linda Window
10:30	12:30	Ringwood Food Bank	info@ringwood.foodbank.org.uk	
10:00	16:00	GF Weavers	01725 514468	Linda Window
12:00	13:00	Ringwood Luncheon Club	01425 478614	Dot Adams
13:30	15:00	GF Kurling	07823497191	Kat
14:00	16:00	Social Bridge Club	07763 784263	Clive Adams
14:00	16:00	Ringwood U3A Singers - 1st & 3rd	01425 701810	June Edwards
14:00	16:00	Play Reading	01425 476618	Russell Webb
14:45	15:45	Fantastique French - Beginners	07944340563	Tim Robins
16:00	17:00	Fantastique French - Improvers	07944340563	Tim Robins
16:30	18:30	Revolution Cheer Leaders Academy	07815 804888	Emma Preston
18:00	20:00	MKD Boxing	07505 427978	Elvis
18:00	20:30	Pilates (6:15, 8:30)	07984 127117	Sandie Wills
18:00	19:00	Judo - Juniors	07725711959	Coach-Didier Dimario
19:30	20:30	Ringwood Yoga	07754 704263	Sarah Irwin
19:00	21:00	Community Choir	01725 517807	Kirsteen Freer
19:00	20:00	Spanish Beginners A1	07794197310	Daniel Cox
19:30	22:00	Ringwood Antiques - 4th	01425 471348	Hazel Winch
20:00	21:00	Judo - Seniors	07725711959	Coach-Didier Dimario

**Walking Treasure Hunt**

Followed by a cream tea

**Sunday 12 April**  
**2pm start at Greyfriars**

Follow the clues and answer the questions on a stroll around Ringwood. Suitable for all ages.

Tickets from Greyfriars  
Adults £8 Children £4 including cream tea

**NEW Craftfulness group at Greyfriars**

Join a self-led group of like-minded crafters

Starts Friday 10 April

Calling all knitters, beaders, card makers, and crafters

Come along for a free taster session. Thereafter £3

A friendly place to share chat and share ideas

Register your interest at Greyfriars

**Greyfriars Study Group**

**PEOPLE IN THE ROMAN WORLD**

Examining archaeology and monuments, as well as letters and documents, Nick Griffiths looks at the day to day lives of ordinary citizens across the Roman world.

With an emphasis on the provinces, from Britain to Egypt and beyond, this promises to be a fascinating journey.

7 WEEKS STARTING FRIDAY 10 APRIL 10 - 12 AM £70 FOR FULL COURSE

TICKETS AVAILABLE AT GREYFRIARS AND TICKETSOURCE

Please check with the club, class or activity organiser to see how and when they are operating.

**THURSDAY**

FROM	TO		TEL.	LEADER
09:30	10:30	Little Kickers	07300 011360	Claire Osmond
08:45	15:30	Pre-School	07852 342312	Fiona Tauber
09:15	12:30	Exercise to Independence 60+ (3 classes)	07810 876399	Martina Kauccka
10:00	12:00	Bridge Class	01425 471060	Graham Woolf
10:00	12:00	Crochet	01425 471047	Ruth Slaughter
10:45	11:45	Learn Spanish with Dan	07794197310	Dan Cox
10:45	11:45	Zumba Gold	07979 594144	Eva Jackson
12:00	12:45	Chair Zumba	07979 594144	Eva Jackson
14:00	16:00	Painting for Pleasure	01725 517723	Catheriner Row
14:00	17:00	Ringwood U3A - 3rd	07864084885	Hazel Taylor
14:00	16:00	Christchurch U3A - Creative Writing	01425 476849	Dawn D'Arcy
14:00	16:00	R & F Club for the Blind - 2nd & 4th	01425 476568	Kate Henderson
14:00	16:00	Ringwood Garden Club - 1st (Sept-Apr)	01202 574875	Wendy Davies
14:00	16:00	Fun & Friendship (Mimi) - 1st	07803 583933	Mimi Parry
14:30	16:00	Jolly Good Company - 3rd	07852942002	Christine Ollington
18:00	22:00	Paws 4 Reward	07967 640533	Lisa Tonks
18:45	22:00	Bickerley Bridge Club	01425 476568	Kate Henderson
19:15	20:30	Men's Yoga	01425 480 839	Jon Dixon
19:30	22:00	Ringwood Garden Club - 3rd	01202 574875	Wendy Davies
19:30	22:00	Ringwood Society - 3rd	01425 476716	Jeff Wickens
19:30	22:00	Natural History Society - 2nd & 4th	01425 471362	John Gurney

**FRIDAY**

FROM	TO		TEL.	LEADER
08:45	09:35	Zumba Fitness	07730462218	Claire Nightingale
08:45	15:30	Pre-School	07852342312	Fiona Tauber
09:00	12:00	Friday Painters	07751834343	Christine Ingram
09:30	12:00	Ringwood Veteran's Hub	07759134781	Rosemary White
09:30	12:00	The Forestinas Concertina Band 1st & 3rd	robmac1851@gmail.com	
11:00	14:30	Ringwood Food bank	info@ringwood.foodbank.org.uk	
12:00	14:00	Ringwood Islamic Group	01425 480427	Mr Ali
18:30	22:00	Greyfriars Bridge Club	07455 075993	Phil Tripp
18:30	22:30	Ringwood Table Tennis Club	07770711137	Phil Smith
19:30	22:00	Cercle Amical 2nd	01202397440	Penny Buckley
20:00	22:00	Burley & Ringwood Band	07786038080	Cliff Brock

**SUN SAT**


FROM	TO		TEL.	LEADER
09:30	10:25	Adult Dance Class	07949 179282	Karen Jane
10:00	12:00	Ringwood Repair Cafe 2nd	01425 472613	Terri Goldsmith
10:00	16:00	Weavers, Spinners & Dyers 2nd	secretary@nfwsd.org.uk	Bex Hopkins
12:30	16:00	Bruno Groening Circle of Friends	074231 42412	Iva Prah

FROM	TO		TEL.	LEADER
10:30	12:00	Kings Church	07712 607610	Rob Hibbitt

**RINGWOOD U3A FOR APRIL**

A message from our resident U3A group who meet on the 3rd Thursday of each month. "As always visitors will receive a warm welcome at our monthly meeting at 2.00pm on **Thursday 16 April** where our Guest Speaker is recently retired headmaster, Alistair Brien. Having been head-teacher at a large and successful secondary school in Bournemouth for 18 years, Alistair will share his experiences and his thoughts on education today in an informative and amusing talk he calls **"What they don't tell you about being a Head!"** Oh! he is also a member of The Magic Circle so he might have a trick or two up his sleeve."

### Music Appreciation Study Group




## The String Quartet

Come and join this popular and friendly group as they explore in 10 weekly classes the origins and repertoire of *The String Quartet*

Ian Lowes leads you from its beginnings to the present day.

Mondays 10 - 12 Course Fee £90  
 April 13-June 22 2026 (excluding May 25)


TICKETS AVAILABLE AT GREYFRIARS AND TICKETSOURCE



### Cercle Amical de Ringwood

The friendly, English-speaking French society

How did this frenchman become king of a region of South America in the 19<sup>th</sup> century?



Mike Youkee will tell the story of Orélie-Antoine de Tounens, lawyer, adventurer and king

Visitors: £5.00 at the door  
 Date: Friday, 10 April 2026  
 Time: 7.30 p.m.  
 Place: Greyfriars Community Centre  
 Christchurch Road  
 Ringwood BH24 1DW  
 Wine: £2.50 per glass

Enquiries to Hon Sec: Penny Buckley  
 Tel: 07985-004830  
 or ringwoodfrenchcircle@gmail.com  
<https://ringwood-cercle.weebly.com/>

**09/03/26**  
**74 Club**  
 Winning Numbers are;

74 Club

79  
 80  
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EASY TO FOLLOW ZUMBA

## Chair Based Zumba Gold

NEW CHAIR ZUMBA CLASS TAKING PLACE ON THURSDAYS FROM 12:00 PM TO 12:45 PM IN THE ACTIVITIES CENTRE!



**DANCE FROM YOUR CHAIR!**

You should have seen our **Zumba Gold** classes advertised, that are held every **Tuesday at 10:45 AM in The Ann Rose Room** and every **Thursday at 10:45 AM in The Activity Centre**.

Additionally, we have a new **Chair Zumba class** taking place on **Thursdays from 12:00 PM to 12:45 PM in the Activity Centre**. This seated program offers a heart-healthy, low-impact workout perfect for those prioritizing joint health. No experience is necessary to join these joyful sessions. These great routines help keep your mind sharp, whilst meeting new friends is always fun. To reserve your spot, please contact **Eva at 07979 594144**.



**BOOK SALE & CRAFT FAYRE**

A huge thank you to our wonderful Greyfriars community, friends and families for supporting our Spring Book Sale, Craft Fayre and Pop-Up Community Café. We had an incredible day and raised over £2,500, including £1,650 from books and puzzles. Every penny helps us maintain and improve our much-loved community centre. Our heartfelt thanks go to our amazing volunteers, who sorted books, baked cakes, braved the weather, served bacon baps, made coffees, organised crafters and so much more. We're truly lucky to have you. And a special thank you to Nigel Revill for filling the morning with music. #thelonereviller



**RINGWOOD ANTIQUES**

Join Ringwood Antiques on **Wednesday 22 April** for a captivating talk by industry expert **Charles Hanson**, who is guaranteed to inform and entertain with his trademark charisma. Telling us all about hilarious escapades on Bargain Hunt, Flog it and Antiques Road show. Don't miss this opportunity to hear such behind the scenes fun. The doors are open from **7.00 PM for the talks to start at 7.30 PM** unless otherwise noted in the programme. Evenings normally finish by 9.30 pm. **Members are free, guests are £10**. We meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday monthly and visitors are always very welcome.



**DAN'S SPANISH - NEW LESSONS**

Unlock your potential by joining Dan's engaging Spanish classes, designed for every stage of the learning journey. Whether you are an absolute beginner starting from scratch or an intermediate student refining conversational and grammatical skills, these structured lessons provide the perfect environment to reach your goals. With six different weekly sessions available, fitting language learning into a busy schedule is convenient. Classes are held on **Mondays at 9:45 AM, 11:00 AM, and 12:15 PM**, as well as **Wednesdays at 7:00 PM, with these specific sessions commencing after Easter 2026**. Additional meetings take place on **Tuesdays at 11:00 AM and Thursdays at 10:45 AM**.



**CERCLE AMICAL 10TH APRIL**

In the 1860s, French lawyer, Orélie Antoine de Tounens, sailed to South America, convinced some Mapuche leaders to back him, and crowned himself King of Patagonia. Chile arrested him, declared him insane, and expelled him. However, his bizarre quest for a kingdom became legend. Come along to Cercle Amical and discover this curious story. This friendly, all things French loving, group welcomes visitors and new members on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month at Greyfriars.

**CENTRE SECURITY UPDATE**

Due to some recent security issues we have had to take some additional measures for everyone's safety. The main door is now locked at **5pm**, keys have now been issued to those who need them, and we are having an upgrade to our automatic door ensuring easier use for our smaller groups. We are thankful to all the groups and centre users for their support as we navigate this difficult situation.



**ANN ROSE HALL IS NEARLY FINISHED!**

We are really excited to be reaching the final stages of the refurbishment of Ann Rose Hall. Painters Rob and his team, along with Paul Martin, have done an excellent job with the painting and plastering, and new lights have been fitted by David Rowden, ensuring the hall is now beautiful and fit for purpose for many years to come. New curtains have been ordered to complete the refit, and we hope to have these in place over Easter. If you are passing, do pop in and have a look!

**DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

**EASTER CLOSURE**

**Fri 3 April - Mon 6 April inclusive**

