

November 2010

## SUCCESSFUL APPLE DAY



Our first Apple Day on the shop's terrace was a great success – lots of people contributed apples, effort and empty bottles and some 100 bottles were filled with delicious apple juice which they took away with them.

The children also had a great time. The apple recipe booklet and all samples to taste

were appreciated, and we found out who the apple experts in our villages are! It will all happen again next year.



## FLISCA AGM

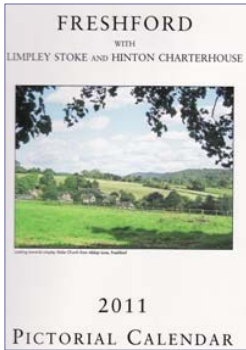
FLISCA – the Freshford and Limpley Stoke Community Association which built and owns our Galleries Shop & Café – is holding its second AGM on

**25<sup>th</sup> November 2010 at 7.30 pm**  
**at Freshford School Hall**

All residents of Freshford and Limpley Stoke are welcome although only members can vote – there will be an opportunity to join on the night. Hear about progress at the shop including the solar panels project, give us your views on how to spend FLISCA's shop-earned income and enjoy a glass of mulled wine and a mince pie!

# CHRISTMAS SPECIALS

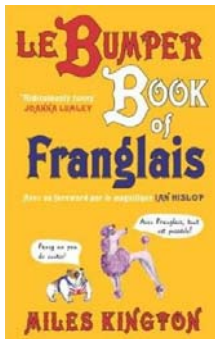
We hope to help you with your Christmas shopping this year: You will find in the shop:



2011 edition of Bridget Baker's lovely Freshford calendar **£5.50**

We also have stiff envelopes to post them in

Miles Kington's latest book – Le Bumper Book of Franglais – lovingly assembled by Caroline K



Tractor Ted toys and books – local, from Norton St Philip



Penny Blamey's very special Christmas cakes (to order)

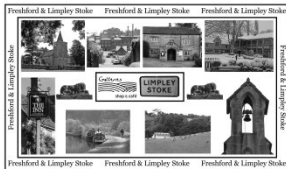


PLUS other branded gifts and stocking fillers.



German gingerbread, stollen and other Christmas goodies

Freshford and Limpley Stoke tea towels



And we will be happy to look after all your Christmas meat, poultry and cheese orders – from Jon Thorner's or direct from Newton Farm.



Specialised lford shop-branded teas



## ORGANIC VEGETABLE BOXES



We have made an arrangement for an organic vegbox scheme with a market gardener in Colerne just north of Bath. Douglas came to the shop to talk to customers and show us samples and is now delivering boxes to the shop on a Thursday. The shop will deliver them to your house, in exchange for a 10% commission from the supplier.

Standard boxes are available in three sizes, at £8, £12 and £16.

If you are interested, please contact **Douglas Whitelaw** on Tel **07795 277070** or email him on **douglas.whitelaw@virgin.net** or complete a form at the shop.

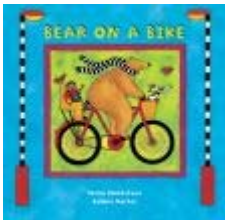
## CAFÉ VOLUNTEERS WANTED!

As our café is getting busier we would really like a few more volunteers to help out over lunchtime. We now serve home-made hot soup and paninis in the café. We only serve lunches between 12 and 2 so café volunteers are needed for just two hours and a bit – **from 11.45 until 2.15 on weekdays**. No till duty!



Can you spare the time? We would really appreciate it. Please contact **Krissy** on Tel **720005** or email **krissylopes@gmail.com**.

## LOCAL BOOKS



Alan Dodge's Freshford book is out of print but Alan hopes to have a small reprint. "Salute to the Village" is still very popular. Our range of local books is expanding!

There is now a book on walks which includes one around Freshford. Caroline Kington has just published her new novel; and our very own local publishers **Barefoot Books** have again kindly donated a number of their lovely children's books to us for sale to support the shop. Good Christmas presents!

## WE STILL TAKE AND HAND OUT JAM JARS



We still welcome jam jars – which go out the door to prospective jam and chutney makers faster than they come in! Damsons and quinces (lots donated to the shop) were the recent favourites, and quince recipes are available, too.

We also still welcome **clean reusable standard size plastic bags** which are appreciated by our customers.

## PLEASE USE OUR SUGGESTIONS BOOK

Some **450 requests** have appeared in the shop's suggestions book over the past 14 months. What's happened about them?

### We now stock regularly:

Biona baked beans, bird food, crumpets, diabetic ice cream, Divine chocolate, Ecolab cleaning products, Ellas baby food, gluten-free cereals and flour, goat's milk, Gruyere cheese, humus, Lo salt, mini milk ice lollies, mushy peas, Nan and Pita bread, rice and soya milk, tofu and Quorn, tortilla wraps, and Yorkshire tea bags (and this is not an exhaustive list).

### We tried but had to give up on:

Flowers and plants, whole organic chickens, longlife milk, organic jersey milk.

### We are still thinking about / looking to source:

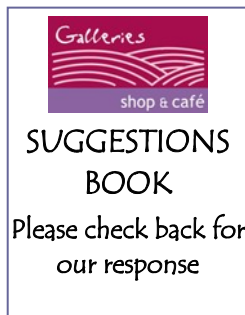
Allspice, cooking chocolate, sundried tomatoes in oil, Horlicks/Ovaltine, biodegradable nappies and wipes, local maps, silver polish, vanilla extract.

### We thought the following a bit too risky – unless more people want these items:

Cocoon oil, root beer, Holly Bush butter, black and white film, De Cecco dried pasta, Illy ground coffee.

Do please keep the requests coming – and refer back to the suggestions book for a response. Leave us your name and phone number if you would like us to get back to you with an answer. Remind us if requests seem to have been ignored!

Obviously, our shelves are now full, so any new item means something less popular has to go. Over time we hope to get the range just right for you.



## CHRISTMAS WEEK OPENING HOURS

The shop will close **at 2 pm on Christmas Eve**. Make sure you collect your turkey before then! We will be closed on Christmas Day.

All other week days will be as normal, with Sunday hours (ie 9-12) applying to the other bank holidays.



**The Manager and Committee wish you a Happy Christmas Season!**

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### OPENING HOURS

Shop and café: Monday–Friday 8–6, Saturday 8.30–12.30, Sunday 9–12.

Post Office: Tuesdays and Fridays 9–1