

## Village Shop News Update

## Shop Telephone – 01295 760066



## Shop opening hours:Monday 8 am - 1 pmTuesday to Friday 8 am - 6 pmSaturday 8.30 am - 3 pmSunday 9 am - 12 noon

## Post Office opening hours: Tuesday to Friday 9 am - 1 pm

What happened to the summer? Fingers crossed that this month will bring us an Indian version. It must get a bit boring reading the same thing every month – but, yes, the shop is still thriving. As the volunteers who work behind the counter will tell you, it is busy from opening time to closing time (and invariably after closing on Sundays when there is a last minute rush just as we are about to cash up).

As you know, Jeannette leaves us in early September to spend some time with her son and family in Australia. We are very lucky to have found an excellent replacement in Jackie Lonsdale who will join Tracey as joint shop supervisor in the middle of the month. We all welcome her to SVS and we are sure she will fit in very well.

We have more new lines on the shelves this month (and are running out of space to put them). Borders Luxury Shortbread selection has been added to our cookie range and, in response to a growing demand, we now stock a variety of gluten-free products. We have had a new delivery of the very more-ish 'Canalside Fudge' which is made locally (next to the canal maybe?) and comes in a variety of yummy flavours.

On the wine front there are a few new bottles on the shelves. There have been a number of requests for a good but cheap Pinot Grigio (currently Britain's best-selling grape variety) and we now offer 'Voci' PG at the bargain price of  $\pounds$ 5.40 a bottle. We have also taken delivery of a fruity French rosé, 'Le Petit Berticot' for just  $\pounds$ 6 a bottle.

Many new greetings cards have been added to the racks making our range the best and most tasteful in the area (and that includes Banbury!).

Now that we are into the autumn fruit season, keep your eyes on the shelves for fresh plums, berries and other healthy five-a-day goodies.

Pressure on our regular volunteers to fill shifts behind the till often becomes acute when some of their number are on holiday - so if you do feel that you can lend a hand please contact Celia on 760094

Happy Michaelmas.

Alison and Digby