



Village Shop News Update

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Shop opening hours: Monday 8 am – 1 pm Tuesday to Friday 8 am – 6 pm
Saturday 8.30 am – 3 pm Sunday 9 am – 12 noon

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

Did you know that there are two different dates for the beginning of spring? This year the astronomical first day of spring is the 21st of March – but the meteorological spring season starts on March 1st – so let's go with that one and say goodbye to winter.

As the days get longer we start to think about holidays so, whether you are planning a weekend in Torremolinos or three weeks in St Lucia, remember that the Post Office can supply your holiday money at a competitive rate. You can either order on line or call in at the Post Office and pay on your card and your holiday cash will arrive the following day.

This month we have quite a few new lines on the shelves including Minters' jams, marmalades and pickles; lime and coriander sauce from The Sauce Shop and a deliciously pungent and tangy Wight Little Pickle from The Garlic Farm (just remember to suck a strong mint before you go out for the evening).

In response to requests from our customers, we have added some items to our gluten-free range with a variety of cakes and a very tasty nibble - Garcia Veggie Mix Organic Tortilla Chips - which are delicious. If you don't have a gluten allergy, the new Piper's jalapeño and dill flavoured crisps are particularly yummy.

To help lubricate long afternoons in front of the TV watching the 6-Nations, we have a new rugby-themed beer from Gun Dog Ales in Woodford Halse on the shelves - so give the fruity 4% 'Scrum Dog Rugby Beer' a try (no pun intended) as you cheer your team on.

We also have a new range of children's organic drinks from Pumpkin Tree at only 50p each. These have no added sugar so will be kinder on the little darlings' teeth.

As an outcome of the Open Meeting held in the Star in January, we are pleased to report that the Shop Committee has welcomed two volunteers who will assist with the financial management of the shop. We still need some support in other areas of shop operation - so if you think you might be able to lend a hand, please let us know.

Happy Easter and don't forget Mothers' Day (or, if you prefer, 'Mothering Sunday') on Sunday 11 March. If you want to give Mum a treat, we offer a good choice of suitable presents including a super Prosecco, lots of fancy chocolates and a selection of the fragrant Little Bird hand-made soaps.

Alison and Digby

Please note the shop opening times over Easter:

Friday 31st March (Good Friday)	8 am – 1.00pm	(Post Office CLOSED)
Saturday 1st April	8.30 – 3.00pm	
Sunday 2nd April (Easter Sunday)	9.00 – 12 noon	
Monday 3rd April (Easter Monday)	CLOSED ALL DAY	