



organised by Wittenham Warriors & hosted by Sylva Foundation

Unveiling of specially commissioned oak bench

**Opportunity to find out more about
Sylva Community Orchard**

Apple Juicing - Turn your home grown apples into delicious juice in six easy steps!

- 1** Bring along boxes/bags of washed, dry apples that are free from bruising & mould to the Wood Centre from 10am on Sat 8 Oct. The quality of the fruit determines the quality of the juice.
- 2** We will weigh your apples & calculate how many bottles of juice they will provide & issue you with a collection ticket. Approximately 2kg apples = one 75cl bottle
- 3** Your apples will be added to others if necessary to make up a full load to go into the Apple Mill where they will be crushed.
- 4** The crushed apples are then put into the Apple Press which with the aid of high pressure water will be pressed to produce juice (no water is added to juice). Vitamin C is added to prevent apples browning.
- 5** The juice is then bottled & capped (bottles are provided) and placed into the pasteuriser where it is heated to at least 70C & held at this temperature for 20 minutes, this kills off any bacteria and gives the juice a shelf life of up to 18 months.
- 6** Once cooled the bottles of juice are ready for collection & consumption.

We are intending that this is a FREE service to the residents of the village, however we will need to charge for the new bottles & caps which you can keep and bring along next year, so there is just a one off charge of £1 for each new bottle.

If you would like to show your appreciation for the service there will be a donations box, all donations will go back into future village projects.

If you have a surplus of apples or have more apples than you want to juice please let us have them as we can then sell the bottles of juice to others in the community who don't have access to apple trees. If you are unable to get your apples to the Wood Centre then let us know and we will try & arrange collection.

For more information on the Village Apple Press, Wittenham Warriors & Sylva go to our village website www.longwittenham.com



Children's Parade

The parade will start at 2pm at the Sylva Wood Centre and will be the formal beginning of our Apple Day celebrations.

So come dressed as an apple or as something inspired by apples; some suggestions : apple colours – Red, Green or Pink (like Apple Blossom), come as an Apple or an Apple Tree, dress up as a Pollenator (Bee, Butterfly or Wasp), come as your favourite apple variety e.g. Doctor Harvey, Lord Burghley, William Crump, Pink Lady, Scotch Dumpling, Pixie Crunch, Duchess of Oldenburg, King of the Pippins etc

Games & Activities

There will be a craft table where you will be able to make your own apple decoration, do some apple printing, apple stencils, and much more.

There will also be play dough and colouring-in for the really little ones.

And games too; Golden Apple treasure hunt game

Basket-apple & Apple-ball where you can test your skills and accuracy with these apple-related versions of these well loved sports.

Competition

Bake the best Apple Pie! Bring your entry to The Wood Centre before noon on the morning for judging. The categories for entries are; Adults, Teenagers and Children. Please label your entry clearly with your name and which category you would like to enter. The winners will be announced at the celebration in the afternoon. Good Luck!

Country Dancing

Calling all children of the village : come and learn a couple of dances. Rehearsals will be in the Village Hall on Sunday 18th, 25th September & Sunday 2nd October 2-4pm. Sign up with Alison Thomas : alisonvdg@googlemail.com. At the Apple Day there will be Country Dancing by the children and then there will be an opportunity for the adults to join in too.

Refreshments

There will be plenty to help sustain you during the event. Please let us know if you are able to donate a cake or tray bake. Email Sally Duff richsal2000@yahoo.co.uk, Janet Rose janetrose52@gmail.com or Evelyn Crosskey adamandeve@btinternet.com

Can you help? If you would like to help to make this village event a success please do get in touch – we'd love to hear from you!