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That's how the light gets in***

INTRODUCING THE VOICE OF THE VILLAGES

Voice of the villages

I'm excited to introduce you to *Voice of the Villages*, a local magazine that provides news, information and entertainment for people living in, or with connections to, the five villages of Weston, Hunningham, Offchurch, Wappenbury and Eathorpe. This magazine has been launched as an amalgamation of the *W2hen News-letter* and *Offchurch News*, and currently has over 300 subscribers. Its aim is to provide readers with the latest stories and information in the area.

What makes us special? [Our website](#) is linked directly to our online and print magazine, ensuring that you can stay up-to-date on all the latest news. Plus, we offer exclusive features and information about local events.

If you are reading this page, you are probably already a subscriber to this new local magazine. But if not, you are very welcome to join us. There is no charge for this. All you need to do is to email me (wraydj@gmail.com) and I will be happy to add you to our circulation list. You will receive in your inbox a copy of the monthly magazine, which you can read online or print out for offline reading. If you cannot receive emails, then I can also deliver a printed copy of the magazine by hand. Just call me (01926 632830) and we can arrange this.

And please remember – a local magazine can only publicise local events if someone tells me what is happening. So do let me know if you have events or information you would like to publicise across our five villages.

Thanks for reading



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VILLAGE NEWS

The Community Café 'Drop In' is to become seasonal.

Everyone welcome for refreshments & a chat at the café.

During the Winter months ...

**On the last Wednesday of September, October, November,
January, February**



We will be serving a soup lunch 11.45am for
12noon
In **Offchurch Village Hall**

On the second Wednesday of every summer month

We will serve Afternoon Tea in
Hunningham Parish Room
(St Margaret's) from 3.30pm
April, May, June, July



We will keep in touch with regular attendees but for
up-to-date information ring Hazel on 01926 632428

.... getting people together for food and fellowship

VILLAGE NEWS

WESTON BABIES and TODDLERS WEEKLY GROUP

Have broken up for the summer holidays.

Back on Friday 8th September

Further information contact Hazel Taylor 01926 632428

OFFCHURCH AFTERNOON CLUB

There is no meeting in August. The next meeting is now scheduled for Monday afternoon, 4th September. Members will be contacted with details when the venue has been finalised. Thank you.

J. Graham

THE PILGRIM PUPPETS

FORTHCOMING EVENTS:

Thursday 24th August HOLIDAY CLUB

Weston 9.30am

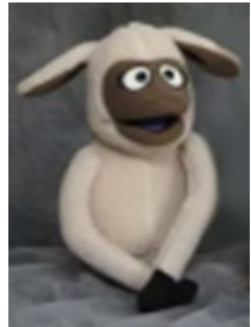
Sunday 3rd September Come 2 Worship in
HUNNINGHAM CHURCH 11.00am

Thursday 28th September Gainsborough
Hall Care Home Warwick 2.30pm

Ring Hazel Taylor 01926 632428 if you are interested in our Puppets being part of your events.

For information about the Pilgrim Puppets, please have a look at [their web page](https://www.villagevoice.org.uk/?page_id=1069) at: [https://](https://www.villagevoice.org.uk/?page_id=1069)

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MESSY HOLIDAY CLUB



Messy Holiday Club 2023

Tuesday 22,
Wednesday 23 and
Thursday 24 August

Weston under Wetherley Village Hall
10am until 12noon

Games, songs, crafts and stories on



To book a place email messyoffchurch@gmail.com
or call/text Jane on 07850 444316
Children please bring an adult with you!

OFFCHURCH GOLF CROQUET

Golf Croquet is a simple and easy to learn game that allows both skill and conversation and laughter to thrive. The game can be played by young and old without any previous experience. There are even spare mallets to enable beginners to play.

Offchurch Croquet Club meets every Friday at 5.00 pm on the Offchurch village green, subject to dry weather. Games typically last between 20 to 30 minutes. Normally we play for a maximum of two hours and quite often there is a cool glass of wine or soft drink for members to get together for a chat at the end of the evening.

The game is fun and the company friendly. Why not come along and have a go. You will be made welcome.

Contact Helen Palmer on 07976 967173 if you would like further information or just turn up.



WALLABY IN WAPPENBURY

We have just had a rather amazing report from Eathorpe resident, Steve Parker, that, while walking his dog in the fields behind Wappenbury Hall, he spotted a strange looking creature. At first Steve thought this was just another muntjac deer but then IT HOPPED! And went over the fence into the grounds of the hall. It seems that we, like several other places in the UK, have a population of escaped wallabies. Keep your eyes peeled, walkers!





The Offchurch Group Harvest Supper 2023

**Saturday 16 September at 7pm
Offchurch Village Hall**

**A traditional harvest supper of home-made
raised pies, salads and jacket potatoes with
a variety of desserts**



Vegetarian and gluten free options



Tickets £7 for adults. Children under 14 free of charge



Please bring your own drinks



For tickets contact

Liz on 07940 560252 or ldvarnish@gmail.com or

Hazel on 01926 632428 or hazeltaylor43@outlook.com



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



Keep out the Summer Burglar

Summer is here, and while we enjoy the warm weather, let's not forget about keeping homes safe.

Criminals will take advantage of open windows and propped open doors, even if it's the back door.

Keep you and your home safe this summer by following these useful tips:

1. Make sure doors and windows are closed and locked. Even if you're just popping out, lock up and secure your home.
2. Consider installing window locks to prevent intruders from easily opening your windows.
3. Consider installing a home security system with visible cameras and alarm systems to deter burglars.
4. Keep your valuables out of sight. Close blinds or curtains to prevent prying eyes from scouting your belongings. Shutting the blinds will keep your house cooler.
5. Give a spare key to a trusted neighbour or invest in a secure key lockbox.
6. Hosting family or friends in your garden - don't invite burglars to the party. Keep your side entrance, back door, or garden gate closed/locked.
7. Tidying the garage or dusting off the bikes for summer adventures? Lock up and keep that garage door closed. It takes seconds for thieves to spot and take expensive tools/bikes/motor vehicles.
8. For extra security keep porch doors locked, wheelie bins away from low fences or garages, and sheds secure.

Rise in silent 999 calls: Please don't just hang up – let us know you're safe

We're asking members of the public to tell us you're safe if you accidentally dial 999.

It follows a significant rise in the number of 'silent 999 calls' to our force control room over the past few weeks.

A 'silent call' is where one of our call handlers answers the phone and there's no response on the other end.

Although it can be done purposefully – such as in the case where someone is experiencing domestic abuse and can't speak – much of the time, it is accidental with the person not realising they've called us.

Demand for our 999 service has gone up and in June we received 10,754 999 calls. But more than a quarter (26 per cent) of these – 2,181 – were silent calls.

Chief Superintendent Mike Smith, who is responsible for the force's Public Contact team, has spoken about the impact silent calls have on the force: [Rise in silent 999 calls: Please don't just hang up – let us know you're safe](#)

Emergency services nationally are currently experiencing record high 999 call volumes and a contributing factor is believed to be an update to Android smartphones.

The update, which has added a new SOS emergency function, means you can call 999 by pressing the power button five times consecutively.

You can watch our simple video on how to change your smartphone settings here: bit.ly/silent9



TARGETED YOUTH SUPPORT

Summer

Projects

2023

*Drop-in sessions
Across Warwickshire*

Targeted Youth Support are running Summer Projects across the county throughout the school summer holidays. The projects running include, sports, arts, gardening, cooking and the opportunity to meet new people.

The team will be out on detached throughout the county and will also be taking young people on day trips with bbq's and picnic's!

Below are details of the Youth Club drop-in sessions that will be running throughout the summer.

Rugby and Warwick Drop-in Sessions

Day	Dates	Project	Location & Time
Monday	31st July 7th August 14th August 21st August	Drop-in Sessions	Lillington YC Juniors 11-1pm Seniors 2-4pm Claremont Centre - 6-8pm
Tuesday	1st August 8th August 15th August 22nd August 29th August	Drop-in Sessions	Lillington YC Juniors 11-1pm Seniors 2-4pm

Drop-in session locations:

Ratcliffe Centre, Ratcliffe Road, Atherstone, CV9 1JN

CHESS Centre, 460 Cedar Road, Nuneaton, CV10 9DN

Lillington Youth Center, Mason Road, Leamington Spa, CV32 7PQ

Claremont Centre, Claremont Road, Rugby, CV21 3LU



Targeted Youth Support

We work with young people aged 11 to 18 years.

This year we are not asking for young people to be referred onto our Summer Projects, please just make contact with us if you have a young person who is interested in attending, we will then let the youth workers for that area know who will then make contact with you directly.

The element of choice runs through all our work. Young people must choose to work with us, it cannot be done to them.

If you would like any further information on the TYS Summer Projects please email lindsayhomer@warwickshire.gov.uk



To find out more information about Youth Work visit
www.warwickshire.gov.uk/youthservice





Working Together as a Community

Joint Parish Council Meetings

The Parish Council website can be found at
www.ehow-jpc.org.uk

Our next meeting is scheduled for 19th September 2023 at 7:30pm and is being held at Eathorpe Village Hall.

Members of the public are welcome to attend meetings.

Residents can still email or phone Parish Councillors if they have issues to raise.

For further information or an emailed copy of the meeting Agenda or minutes please contact the Clerk on Clerk.jpcehow@outlook.com

The meeting dates for 2023

The dates below follow the usual JPC pattern of meetings.

September	19 th	Eathorpe Village Hall
October	No Meeting	
November	21 st	Eathorpe Village Hall
December	No Meeting	

OFFCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL – COUNCILLOR VACANCY

Following the May 2023 Elections there is a vacancy on Offchurch Parish Council and the position will be filled by co-option.

Should more than one application be received for the vacancy, councillors will decide the appointment by a vote, or series of votes, in order to obtain a majority decision.

To be considered for co-option, applicants must meet at least one of the following criteria:

1. Be registered as a Local Government Elector for the Parish on the current Electoral Register.
2. Have during the whole of the previous 12 months occupied as tenant or owner any land or other premises in the Parish.
3. Have had his/her principal or only place of work in the previous 12 months in the Parish.
4. Have resided either in the Parish or within 3 miles thereof during the previous 12 months.

Anyone wishing to be considered for co-option or would like further information should [contact the Clerk](#) for an application form. Closing date for return of application form is 25th August 2023.

CHURCH SERVICES AUGUST 2023

Sunday 6th	10.00am – Service of the Word + Zoom	St Gregory's
Sunday 13th	10.00am – Holy Communion + Zoom	St Gregory's
Sunday 13th	6.00pm - Evensong	St Michael's
Sunday 20th	10.00am - Service of the Word + Zoom	St Gregory's
Sunday 27th	10.00am – Service of the Word + Zoom	St Gregory's

Warwickshire Mobile Library



Eathorpe Village Hall

12.00 - 12.20

Offchurch Village Street

9.15 - 9.30

The mobile
library will be
available on:

4th August

25th August



CONTACT THE TEAM

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POETRY PAGE

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DESOLATION ROW

A Intro

$\text{♩} = 114$
D

DROP D TUNING

The image shows a musical score for the song 'Desolation Row'. It consists of two staves. The top staff is a guitar melody in standard notation, starting with a treble clef and a key signature of one flat (B-flat). The tempo is marked as quarter note = 114. The tuning is Drop D. The bottom staff is a bass line in standard notation, starting with a bass clef. The bass line is labeled 'Gtr 1' and 'They're selling'. The score includes various musical notations such as chords, rests, and dynamics.

Here are the first three verses of a poem 10 verses long in all. I guarantee that there will be several people reading this who just know these lines by heart (and probably the rest of the poem too - even though they might not completely understand it!). The poem is entitled 'Desolation Row' and was written by the winner of the Nobel Prize for Literature in 2016.

*They're selling postcards of the hanging, they're painting the
passports brown*

The beauty parlor is filled with sailors, the circus is in town

Here comes the blind commissioner, they've got him in a trance

One hand is tied to the tight-rope walker, the other is in his pants

And the riot squad they're restless, they need somewhere to go

As Lady and I look out tonight, from Desolation Row

Cinderella, she seems so easy, "It takes one to know one," she smiles

And puts her hands in her back pockets Bette Davis style

And in comes Romeo, he's moaning. "You Belong to Me I Believe"

*And someone says, "You're in the wrong place, my friend, you'd better
leave"*

And the only sound that's left after the ambulances go

Is Cinderella sweeping up on Desolation Row

*Now the moon is almost hidden, the stars are beginning to hide
The fortune telling lady has even taken all her things inside
All except for Cain and Abel and the hunchback of Notre Dame
Everybody is making love or else expecting rain
And the Good Samaritan, he's dressing, he's getting ready for the show
He's going to the carnival tonight on Desolation Row*

The writer, of course, was Bob Dylan, who was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature in 2016 "for having created new poetic expressions within the great American song tradition". The decision to award Dylan the prize was a controversial



one, with some critics arguing that his work did not fit the traditional definition of literature.

However, the Nobel Committee defended its decision by arguing that Dylan's songs were "poetry for the ear" and that his work had had a profound influence on popular culture and the art of songwriting. They noted that his songs were not only popular but also widely studied and analyzed in academic circles, and that his lyrics had "the power to influence people's attitudes and actions."

In many ways, Dylan's award recognized the role of popular music in shaping our cultural and artistic landscape. It was a recognition of the fact that great literature can take many forms, and that the power of language and storytelling can be found in unexpected places.

Overall, Dylan's Nobel Prize was a recognition of his contributions to the world of literature and the arts, as well as his ongoing influence on popular culture and the way we think about language, storytelling,

and the human experience. Bob Dylan is undoubtedly one of the greatest and most influential songwriters of the 20th century, and his poetic lyrics have left an indelible mark on popular culture. His work has inspired generations of musicians and poets, and his impact on the world of music is immeasurable.

Dylan's ability to tell stories, pose philosophical questions, and create vivid imagery through his lyrics has earned him a place as one of the most important poets of his generation. His music and words continue to inspire new generations of artists and writers. One of the most remarkable aspects of Dylan's poetry is its timelessness. Despite being written over half a century ago, many of his songs remain just as relevant today as they were when they were first released. Songs such as "Blowin' in the Wind," "The Times They Are A-Changin'," and "A Hard Rain's A-Gonna Fall" have become anthems of social justice and continue to inspire people all over the world.

Dylan's poetry is also characterized by its musicality. His lyrics often feature a distinctive rhythm and rhyme scheme, and his use of repetition and alliteration adds to the musicality of his work. His songs are not just poems set to music; they are a seamless blend of poetry and music that is uniquely his own.



Finally, it's worth noting that Dylan's poetry is not without its complexities. His lyrics are often layered with meaning and open to interpretation, and his use of metaphor and symbolism can be challenging to unravel. But it is precisely this complexity that has made his work so enduring and so rewarding to engage with.

In short, Bob Dylan's poetry is a true testament to the power of

language and its ability to move people in profound ways. His work will continue to inspire and captivate audiences for generations to come, and his place in the pantheon of great poets and songwriters is assured.

There are many versions on YouTube of Dylan singing "Desolation Row", dating from 1966 to 2016, which illustrate well the ways that Dylan has changed as a singer over those 50 years. How many performers do you know with a similar 50 year performance span? The classic version of this song was recorded in Sheffield in 1966. It's eleven and a half minutes long!

<https://youtu.be/qQHLiB9yJ8>

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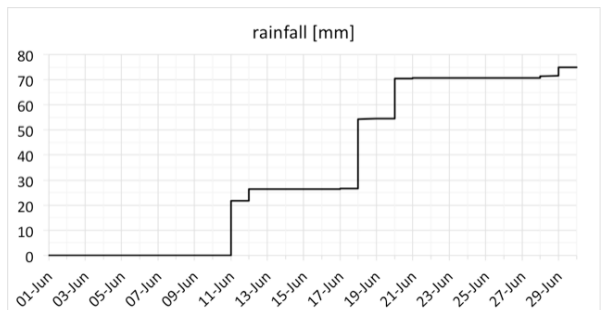
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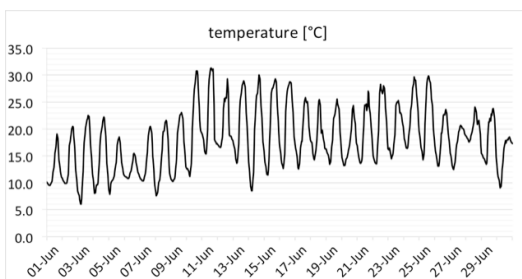
WEATHER WATCH: JUNE 2023

Welcome to Weather Watch, a summary of last month's weather conditions based on readings taken in Offchurch (CV33 9AQ) and from around our area. I have been writing articles on the weather in this area since 2010. Initially this article, which was started by Jim Graham some 24 years ago, gave rainfall statistics and comments, but on purchasing an automatic weather station (AWS) it seemed appropriate to use its data to add further statistics. My background in electronics has allowed me to add additional sensors to measure sunshine hours and UV Index and I am currently working on a lightning detector. I also host a small website, [OffWeather](#), which gives current weather conditions, a five-day forecast and historical data for our area.

Despite the Met Office and press articles stating June was a dry month, our area experienced 75mm of rain, which is 29% above the average for this month based on 25



years of local rainfall data. To the end of June this year we have had 324mm, which is 7% more than average for the first 6 months of the

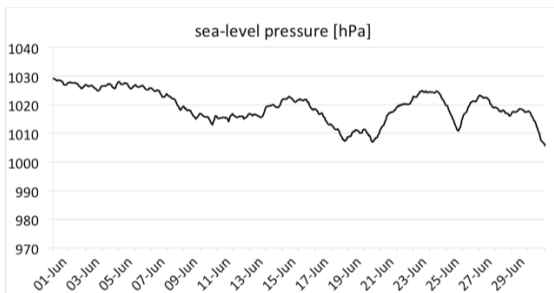


year. Temperatures were also above average and according to the Met Office this June was the hottest ever recorded. That's based on data, which includes temperature records going back to 1659; see the [Hadley](#)

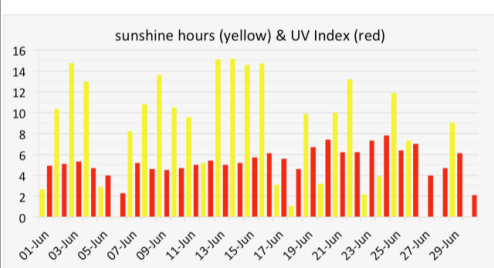
[Centre Central England Temperature dataset](#). Our area was 2.8°C above average with a maximum of 31.7°C on the 11th. Please note

that my temperature readings are not taken using the Met Office's standard guidelines so may differ from those published nationally.

The sea-level atmospheric pressure remained relatively high throughout the month, averaging 1017 hPa, with a maximum of 1028 hPa and a minimum of 1009 hPa. Winds were from



the eastnortheast bringing variable cloud cover up to the 18th when a change in direction to the south west brought clearer skies at times,



but also three days with no sun at all at the end of the month. Overall, despite the cloudy days we enjoyed 239 hours of sunshine, which is 25% above June's average. The UV Index reached 7.4 on 20 June, which is high for the UK.

Units of measurement: the changes and what they mean

Centigrade, Fahrenheit, hectoPascals, millibars, inches of mercury, millimetres, inches and UV Index are a few examples of the units of measurement used in meteorology. Some are obvious but others less so, the following is a brief explanation of some units that I use in my articles.

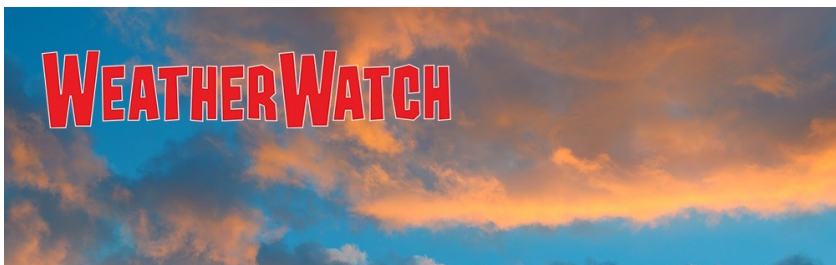
The change of units of temperature from degrees of Fahrenheit (°F) to Celsius (°C) was implemented on 15 October 1962. That's over 60 years ago and yet there are still references to the Fahrenheit scale in some weather forecasts. Also, in the UK we tend to use Centigrade rather than Celsius. The problem is the conversion to Centigrade is

not straightforward despite the obvious use of zero for the freezing point of water and 100 for its boiling point. Somehow 20°C doesn't feel warm whereas as 68°F is comfortable and my blood doesn't boil at 37°C, but at 98.6°F perhaps it does!

Atmospheric pressure is recorded in hectoPascals (hPa), i.e. one-hundredth of a Pascal, this being the standard metric unit of pressure. Usefully, one hectoPascal is equivalent to one millibar (mbar) or 0.0295 inches of mercury (inHg) in imperial units. Sea-level pressure simply standardises the readings as altitude affects the actual atmospheric pressure value. The correction is to add 1 hPa to the reading for every 10 m of altitude above sea-level.

The Ultraviolet Index (UVI) is an indication of the strength of the ultraviolet radiation reaching the Earth's surface. This value is of importance since the depletion of the ozone layer that surrounds the Earth, caused by the use of chemicals known as chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs), [allows increased levels of harmful UV radiation to pass through](#). CFCs were banned in 1987 and although the ozone layer is recovering it's not expected to be back to pre-1980 levels over mid-latitudes until 2050. UVI values range incrementally from zero to 11+. Values under 3 are relatively safe, but between 3 and 8 [increasing degrees of protection should be](#) taken. In the UK, values of UVI will not usually exceed 8 but at lower latitudes, such as are found for example in Australia, around the Mediterranean or Africa, UVI readings of 11+ are possible during the summer months.

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ST GREGORY'S CHURCHYARD: A SANCTUARY FOR WILDLIFE

*After Lammas corn ripens as
much as by night as by day.*

Which I think is just a statement of fact. Lammas Day is the 1st of August.

*On Saint Mary's Day sunshine
Brings much and good wine.*

15th August, A silly maxim of the type where one day's weather decides the fate of a year's crop.

Now the thundery, cyclonic weather of late July normally continues into the first week of August. The most dramatic change, after a mixed weather pattern for mid-month, is the beginning of the late August or the first storms of autumn. 20th-30th August covers this weather type with a peak on the 28th. Oh dear! The first mention of autumn.

But there, the growth in the Churchyard has all but stopped, and it is looking very autumnal at the present. Crumbs, it is next month that we must cut down all the wild growth and rake it off to spread the flower seeds. August is usually kind to us weather-wise, and the grass growth is very slow. What a delight for our mower men. (And Heather). At present you probably know we are very short of volunteers and hope you may be able to help out in Offchurch. Now I have worked out that with 8 new volunteers to help with the mowing, it will mean that you would only need to mow three times in the summer from April to September. What do you think? Give me a call if you can. 01926 624909. Thanks to one and all.

Our summer visitors are still with us except for the cuckoos; they left in July. This is a bit of a quieter time for the bird song overall, not the robin, still going strong; bless him. Our bats are still busy, and I hope

In July I must fly



our uncut areas have helped maintain the insect population for them. I'm afraid I have failed so far in arranging a visit by the Warwickshire Bat Society to assess the types of bats we have. They seem to be busy all around the county.

My disappointment has been the bird boxes, only one was occupied as far as I could see, blue tits as I mentioned and all safely fledged I hope. We didn't empty any boxes used last year as usual. The RSPB recommended this. Better luck next time. Thanks again for your continued support we do appreciate this, hope to see you walking through.

Our next work days are Saturday 12th and 26th August, 9.30am till 11.30am with coffee and biccies.

Mike Porter



THE COMPUTER PAGE

Tips and tricks to make you a computer pro

People who design computers and computer operating systems must lead rather boring lives, I think. On any computer system I've ever used there are always lots of tricks and shortcuts which, presumably, were put there deliberately by the system designers, but were not recorded in the officially published operating manuals. So, it has traditionally been down to computer users to discover and publish these shortcuts. I regularly include in this magazine details of some of the computer tricks I have come across and here is another selection of some of the useful ones. The emphasis here is on saving time (and impressing friends, offspring etc who may not know these tricks.)



Password-protect files

Do you have files on your computer you would rather that other people do not see? (I'm thinking of your tax returns, details of your passwords, etc.) A simple way to privatise access to certain files is to create an

encrypted archive. You may well already have a copy of an archiver such as [7-Zip](#), [The Unarchiver](#) (Mac) installed on your machine. Use this to create a new archive, encrypt its contents and password protect them.

Undo everywhere

Did you know you can undo almost any action? Ctrl + Z is the ultimate hot key, which can be used to undo any typing or deleting you have done. If you accidentally delete or move a file, you can hit Ctrl + Z to bring it right back to where it was (Ctrl + Y will redo whatever you undid).

YouTube keyboard shortcuts

When you're watching a YouTube video try using K to pause, or J and L to step backward/forward 10 seconds. M works for mute. Super useful.

Easily extract images from a Word (.docx) file

Change the file name from .docx to .zip and open the file. The pictures will be in one of the directories.

Reduce the number of programs running at startup

If your PC is taking too long to boot, it's probably because you have far too many programs running at startup. It's easy to reduce these and it will make your PC launch noticeably faster. In Windows: open the task manager (Ctrl + Shift + Esc) and look for the Startup Apps tab in the menu on the left. This will give you a list of the programs which launch with your system. You can disable any of these you wish.

Windows hidden "God Mode" folder

Windows offers a centralized Control Panel for all the OS settings, making it easy for users to tweak everything from desktop background to setting up a VPN. To enter this mode, create a new folder with this exact name (copy and paste it): God Mode.{ED7BA470-8E54-465E-825C-99712043E01C}. The folder icon will change to a Control Panel-style icon, and you will be able to jump in and change all kinds of settings.

Typing Tricks

- Instead of deleting a single letter, pressing Ctrl + Backspace will delete the entire word behind the cursor. This makes deleting text quicker if you mess up a whole word.
- Moving the cursor around manually while typing is a great way to make your work take longer than it needs to. To speed up the process, move the cursor around with keyboard shortcuts. To move it to the beginning of the previous word, use Ctrl + Left Arrow. To move it to the beginning of the next word, use Ctrl + Right Arrow. In macOS you can accomplish the same using the

Option key. To select words/paragraphs as you're going, hold Shift + Ctrl + Arrow (up or down will select entire bodies of text).

- If you're addicted to using emoji, press the Windows Key + . (full stop) and on macOS Cmd + Control + Spacebar. An Emoji panel will appear so you can carry on as usual using all the expressions you want.
- If you need to make sub or superscript text, press Ctrl + = for subscript and Ctrl + Shift + = for superscript.

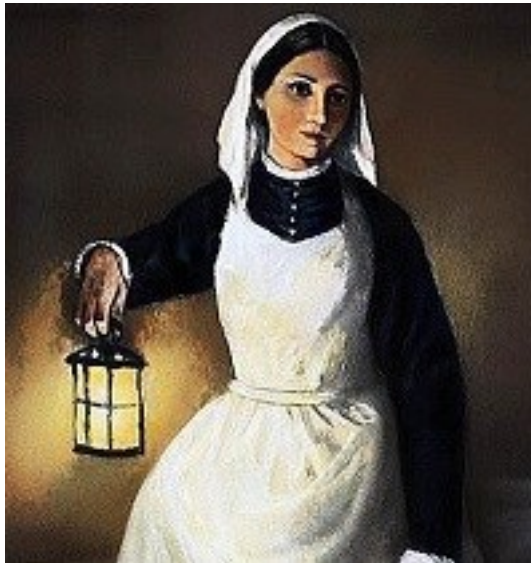


Keyboard Shortcuts

- If you want to open the task manager directly just press Ctrl + Shift + Esc which will launch it directly.
- Pressing Alt + Tab allows you to cycle through currently open windows (Alt + Shift + Tab will cycle backwards). This makes switching back and forth between running processes quick and painless. In macOS the shortcut is Cmd + Tab.
- Close the current program by typing Alt + F4. This is useful as it saves you time mousing over the "X" and clicking. People will often use this as a joke, telling you to press Alt + F4 to fix a problem. Don't fall for it unless you want to close what you are doing.
- Sometimes you lots of windows open and running, and you want them all to go away so you can get to the desktop. Simply pressing Windows key + D will minimize everything you have up, which will save you time. Windows + M will do the same thing, but there is no undo function, which is the beauty of Windows + D.
- Close the current window by pressing Ctrl + W.
- Use your keyboard to launch programs on the Windows taskbar by tapping the Windows key + the number that corresponds to the position of the program you want to open.

THE LADY WITH THE LAMP

The Lady with the Lamp is a nickname which everyone, at least in the UK, knows refers to Florence Nightingale. The nickname began during Nightingale's service at the military hospital in Scutari (Istanbul) during the Crimean War (from 1853 to 1856). The hospital was overwhelmed with wounded soldiers, and the conditions were appalling. Nightingale worked tirelessly, often working through the night to care for the wounded.



She would walk the halls of the hospital carrying a lamp, checking on patients, providing comfort, and tending to their needs. Nightingale believed that night time was a critical time for patient care, as it was when they were most vulnerable and often in pain. Her presence and the light from her lamp provided solace and reassurance to the soldiers.

The image of Nightingale carrying the lamp captured the public's imagination, and it soon became a powerful symbol of her dedication and selflessness. It represented her commitment to caring for others,

even in the darkest and most challenging times. Newspapers and publications of the time widely popularized the nickname "Lady with the Lamp," and it became synonymous with Nightingale herself.



The image of the Lady with the Lamp has endured throughout history, representing the compassionate and tireless work of nurses worldwide. It serves as a reminder of the vital role nurses play in providing care and comfort to those in need, even in the most difficult circumstances.

Florence Nightingale's work extended far beyond her role as the Lady with the Lamp though. After the war, she became an advocate for healthcare reform. She used her experiences in the Crimean War to highlight the importance of sanitary conditions and nursing education. She collected and analyzed data on mortality rates and used the findings to push for changes in healthcare policies. Her book, "Notes on Nursing," published in 1859, became a definitive guide for nursing practices and emphasized the importance of observation, cleanliness, and patient-centred care.

In recognition of her contributions, Nightingale was awarded the Royal Red Cross by Queen Victoria in 1883. She became the first woman to be awarded the Order of Merit in 1907. Despite battling illness and spending her later years confined to her home, Nightingale continued to advocate for nursing and healthcare reform until her death on August 13, 1910, in London.

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