

# NEWSLETTER FROM YOUR LOCAL ESTATE AGENT



# This Novembers Market

#### SELLING DURING NOVEMBER

At this time of year, everyone is starting to think about the up and coming Christmas festivities however there will also be people thinking of looking to make a new start in 2023 and looking to get that home ready for a fresh start in the new year!

Selling in November is ideal as you can get the property sold before it slows down for the festive period and if you get your property on to the market in November you wont need to worry about your Christmas tree in the images.

Plus those trees and colours in your garden make an amazing backdrop for your property & photography.

#### Included in this Month's Issue:

#### **PLAN CHRISTMAS**

Christmas preparation tips to get you started

#### UPDATE

Look at our feature properties in the Tewkesbury Area

#### HOME IMPROVEMENT TIPS

3 simple DIY home improvement projects you can complete before Christmas

# Plan ahead with These CHRISTMAS PREPTIPS

#### LET'S TALK TURKEY

First, determine how much room you have in your freezer/refrigerator, & how many you will be serving. Then, a few days before Christmas, defrost your turkey, saving you time!

#### **PLAN YOUR MEAL**

Check your supply of chairs, tables, dishes, glasses, cooking utensils etc. Plan your meal from appetizers to dessert on a piece of paper. Making a list of all the ingredients needed, to use while you go shopping.

#### **COOK AHEAD OF TIME**

Make any dishes that you can well ahead of time, & freeze them. On Christmas day just defrost, heat, and serve! You will save tons of time, plus you'll be able to join in the

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#### GET READY THE NIGHT BEFORE

You'll be happy you took care of a few things the night before. Set the table. Get the good silverware out of storage and enjoy your day!

Pick up our Tips Monthly

November Home Maintenance Tips

Clean the carpets

festivities.

- O Touch up exterior siding and trim with paint
- Clear the leaves and cut back any bushes

Wrap insulation around outdoor pipes in unheated garages

Store away outdoor furniture



## Community Events Join in our local events!



#### Tewkesbury Battlefield Guided Walks

Guided Battlefield Walks with the Tewkesbury Battlefield Society.

### **NOV 19**



One of the most acclaimed new artists on the British folk music scene, returns to Tewkesbury's Old Baptist Chapel as part of the launch tour for her brand-new album.

# Business of the Month

I have worked in the travel industry for over 16 years, mainly within high street agents. During that time, I have gained huge pride and pleasure in making many of my clients dreams a reality. If your looking to book a holiday please contact me.





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### -o Featured Properties o

#### **BEE COTTAGE | TEWKESBURY**

Katie Grace Harris



3 BEDS
1 BATHS
0
900 SQ, FT





**PICKWICK COTTAGE | TEWKESBURY** 

➡ 4 BEDS
➡ 2 BATHS
➡ 0
▲ 1453 SQ, FT



Asking Price £375,000

Asking Price £325,000

# Kinsham NEW INSTRUCTION

#### ASKING PRICE £600,000



# 'Ashley Cottage'

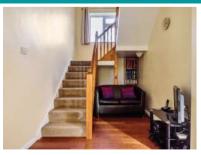
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# **IMPROVEMENT TIPS**

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#### 3 SIMPLE DIY HOME IMPROVEMENT PROJECTS YOU CAN COMPLETE BEFORE DECEMBER



#### **Refinish Kitchen Cabinets The Easy Way**

Painting cabinets is an excellent way to totally transform a

kitchen. This fun budget-friendly project can be done in a weekend or spread out over a couple of weeks if necessary.

#### **Create A Trendy Shiplap Accent Wall**

Using basic tools that are likely already in the garage and some plywood, it's easy to create a unique shiplap wall and dramatically change the look of a room.

#### **Update Flooring With Vinyl Or Laminate**

Replacing outdated flooring is the best DIY project that can drastically freshen up a space. Changing the floors in even one room can have a tremendous impact on the entire home.

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# Meet Your Agent

Faye has been in the property industry for 24 years. After working for a fashion designer in her early years, Faye was introduced to estate agency through a family member and became a letting agent in Gloucester in the 90's. Faye continued her journey in Cheltenham where she worked for large corporate companies in sales. In 2007, she set up the family business with her husband Roy after having their third child.

Faye's original family roots were in Cheltenham. She then moved , with her family, to Highnam which allowed her to go to Highnam Primary School and then onto Newent Community School. She now lives in The Cotswolds with her husband Roy, the five O'Connell children and Honey and Slinky, the family dogs, who are also our office dogs. Whilst she's always busy juggling business life with the children, in her spare time she still loves to sew and paint.

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O'Connell Property Agents are your trusted, family-run independent estate agent covering Gloucester, Cheltenham, Tewkesbury and surrounding villages.

We first opened our doors in 2007 in Gloucester, with our two passions in mind 'People & Property'.

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We would love to talk to you about your move and needs. Please get in touch as here at O'Connell Property Agents we are here to help.







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# HEALTHIER FLAPJACKS

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Ingredients

- oil, for greasing
- 100g/3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>oz butter, cubed
- 100g/3<sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub>oz golden syrup
- 50g/1¾ oz mixed seeds, such as pumpkin,
- sunflower, linseed and sesame
- 50g/1¾ oz dried cranberries
- 50g/1¾oz raisins
- 50g/1¾oz dried apricots, cut into sixths
- 250g/9oz jumbo porridge oats (gluten-free, i required)
- 1 large free-range egg, beaten



Method

- 1. Preheat the oven to 200C/180C Fan/Gas 6. Lightly oil a shallow 20cm/8in loose-based square cake tin and line the base and sides of the tin with baking parchment.
- 2. Melt the butter and syrup together in a large saucepan over a low heat, stirring regularly with a wooden spoon. Take off the heat and stir in the seeds, cranberries, raisins and apricots and oats. Stir in the egg.
- 3. Spoon into the prepared tin and press until well flattened. (It's important that the oats are pressed well, so that they stay firm enough to cut when baked. Use the back of a metal spoon to make sure they are fully compressed). Bake for 18–20 minutes, or until golden and lightly browned around the edges.
- 4. Mark the flapjack into 12 pieces without cutting all the way through, this will make it easier to cut the flapjack when it's cool. Leave until cold then cut the flapjack with a sharp knife.
- 5. Store in an airtight container, interleaved with baking parchment or foil for up to three days.

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# Have you found your dream home?

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