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FEBRUARY 2025 NEWSLETTER



COME ALONG TO ST. JOHN'S ENGLISH LIBRARY
SATURDAY 01st FEBRUARY, 6.30 -7.30PM

POETRY PLEASE

JOIN US FOR AN ECLECTIC MIX OF OLD FAVOURITES, HUMOROUS ODES
AND CLASSIC VERSES FOLLOWED BY A GLASS OF WINE.

READERS ARE:

JANE DUBUISSON, PAULINE MINNIS, GARETH HARDY
& ANDREW RILEY

DIRECTED BY MERVILLE SPIERS

ENTRY FREE FOR LIBRARY MEMBERS, €10 FOR NON-MEMBERS.

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SATURDAY 1st FEBRUARY 2025 from 6.30-7.30 pm

Do come and join us for an eclectic mix of fun poems, old favourites, humorous odes and classic verses.

Our READERS will be: Jane Dubuisson, Gareth Hardy, Andrew Riely and Pauline Minnis

And please join us for refreshments afterwards.

Entry : Free for Members . €10 for non-Members

ST JOHN'S JAZZ
SAISON 2025

Concert tous les 1^{er} vendredis de chaque mois
Direction artistique : Manu Carré et Ben Prischi



**JAZZ
ET BRÉSIL**

INTERPRÉTÉ PAR
**MANU LEPRINCE
AU CHANT**

MANU CARRÉ • Saxophones
BEN PRISCHI • Piano
PHILIPPE BRASSOUD • Contrebasse
THÉO PIN • Batterie

7 FÉVRIER 2025 À 18H30

ÉGLISE ANGLICANE ST JOHN'S
31 avenue Carnot • Menton

TARIFS
Adulte : 15€ • Enfant/étudiant : 10€
Concert suivi d'un moment convivial offert

www.ticketsource.eu/st-johns-english-library-menton



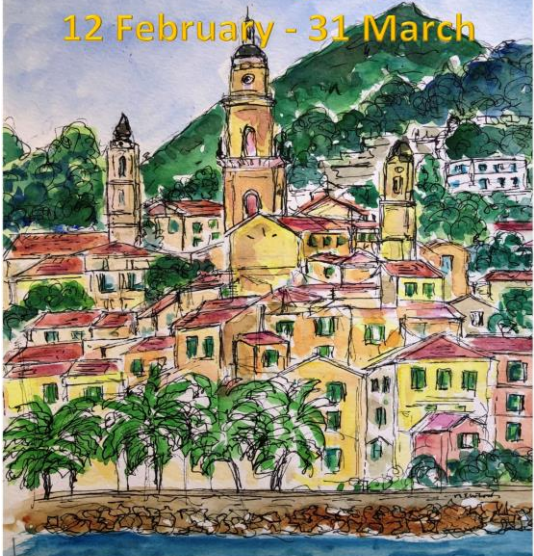

Friday 7th February at 18.30

is our traditional Jazz evening,
this month featuring music from
Brazil.

As usual the concert will be
followed by a glass of wine in the
library.

Tickets available at the door or
online at
www.ticketsource.eu/st-johns-english-library-menton

Mark Armstrong Exposition
12 February - 31 March



Vernissage Friday 14th February at 6.30pm

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EXHIBITION

‘Beautiful Menton, Monaco and the
Riviera’.

Watercolours by

Mark Armstrong

VERNISSAGE

Friday 14th February 6.30pm.

*All proceeds from sales will be donated to
St John's Church, Menton.*

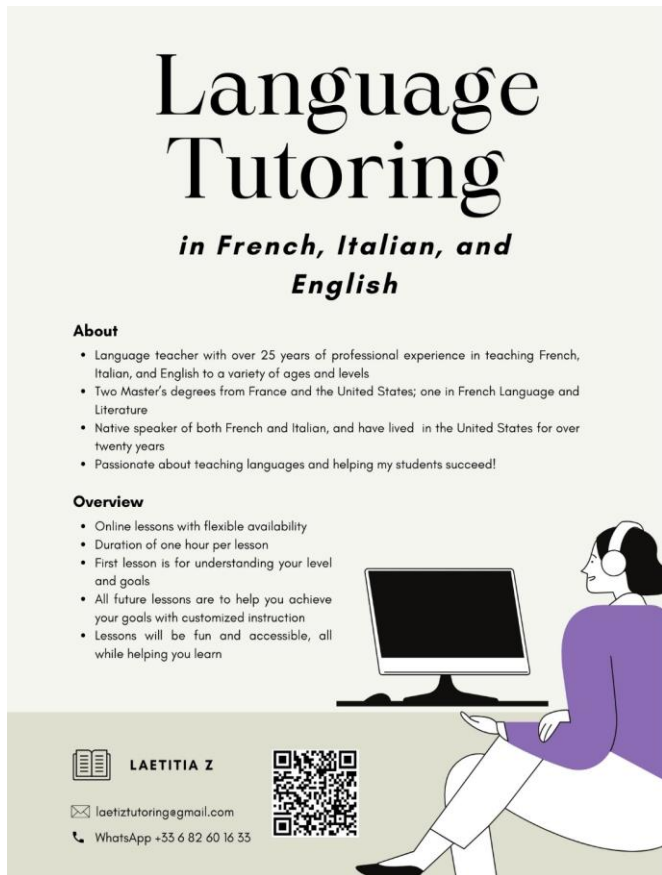
Mark Armstrong's family connection to the area goes back to the early 1920s when, his grandmother came to live in Nice as a young widow with three children.

Mark started his career in the artworld as a porter in Bonhams Fine Art Dealers in London before moving to Sothebys in 1982. Having worked in South Africa, the UK and continental Europe, he became Director at Sothebys Monaco in 1998.

Mark has recently retired after 41 years at Sothebys, although he remains active as a consultant and enjoys painting, writing and trying to play the classical guitar. He is a Trustee of the Princess Grace Irish library and involved in charitable work for the Knights of Malta.

ACTIVITIES

LANGUAGE TUTORING:



Language Tutoring
in French, Italian, and English

About

- Language teacher with over 25 years of professional experience in teaching French, Italian, and English to a variety of ages and levels
- Two Master's degrees from France and the United States; one in French Language and Literature
- Native speaker of both French and Italian, and have lived in the United States for over twenty years
- Passionate about teaching languages and helping my students succeed!


Overview

- Online lessons with flexible availability
- Duration of one hour per lesson
- First lesson is for understanding your level and goals
- All future lessons are to help you achieve your goals with customized instruction
- Lessons will be fun and accessible, all while helping you learn

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Please contact Laetitia at laetiztutoring@gmail.com for a free trial session.

Laetitia, a highly qualified language teacher, lives between Menton and the US and is currently available for on-line tutoring in either French, Italian or English, she will be able to give face to face lessons when she returns to Menton in May.

Lessons can be individual or group sessions.

Following the free trial session, terms to be discussed directly with Laetitia.

All students must be members of the library.



FRENCH CONVERSATION

We are delighted to be able to offer informal French conversation sessions, starting Tuesday 25th February and continuing until end of first week in April.

The sessions would then break until June. Conversation groups would start at 10am in the library on Tuesdays and last for approximately one hour.

To find out more and to book a spot, please contact Monica Modena (monica_modena@yahoo.it) before 17th February stating your level of French (beginner, intermediate or advanced)

Children's English Reading/Activity groups with Arabella Isca:

Arabella's English reading/activity groups will break from 11th – 20th February for the spring holiday, and will then meet on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 17.30 and on Wednesdays from 9.30-10.30. For further information contact Arabella.isca@gmail.com



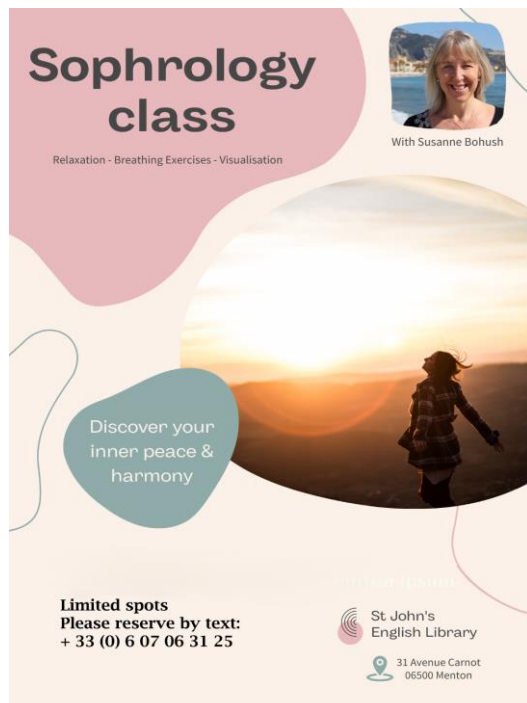
TODDLERS' GROUP

Do you have a child aged from 1 to 3 years old and would like to get him or her familiar with English? Join Arabella's Toddlers group on Tuesday mornings from 10am – 10.45am

Small children will participate in stories, nursery rhymes, arts and crafts and games in English with Arabella, and have a lot of fun!

Children must be accompanied by a parent, a grand-parent or their baby-sitter during the group activities.

This is a dedicated group for children who are not yet attending the école maternelle. For further information contact Arabella at [**Arabella.isca@gmail.com**](mailto:Arabella.isca@gmail.com)



Sophrology class
Relaxation - Breathing Exercises - Visualisation

With Susanne Bohush

Discover your inner peace & harmony

Limited spots
Please reserve by text:
+ 33 (0) 6 07 06 31 25

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The poster features a central image of a person silhouetted against a sunset over a body of water. The design includes abstract shapes in shades of pink and teal.

Wednesday 19th January
18.30
Susanne Bohush

Sophrology is a dynamic relaxation method incorporating breathing exercises, meditation, visualisation, and body awareness. It can help with stress management, decrease anxiety, improve sleep, balance energy, increase confidence, concentration and focus

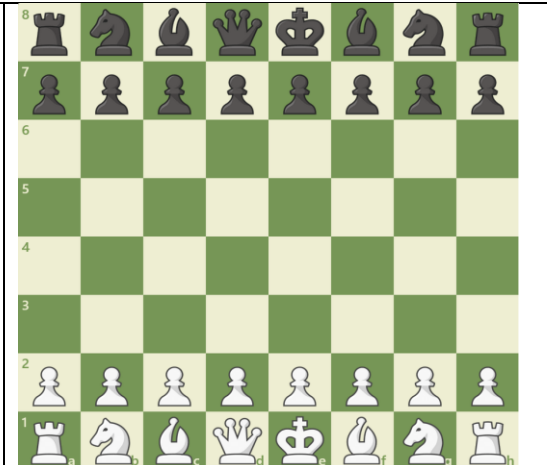
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SCRABBLE:

Come along for a friendly game of scrabble on Saturday mornings or Wednesday afternoons. There will always be somebody available to play



Backgammon:

Come along with a partner (or take your chances) on Wednesday afternoons or Saturday mornings (strictly no gambling!)

Chess:

Chess is also available in the library. We recommend you bring a partner

CHILDREN'S CORNER



All young readers (and pre-readers!) welcome to come along on Wednesday afternoons or Saturday mornings to enjoy exploring the large range of books on offer. We also have a young adults section.

Free for under 18s provided a parent/responsible adult is a member of the library.

NEW BOOKS

Jan 2025



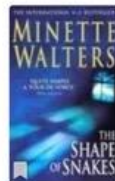
Small Person Far Away
Judith Kerr



Needle's Eye
Margaret Drabble



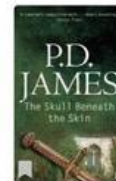
Nine Dragons
Michael Connelly



Shape of Snakes
Minette Walters



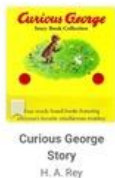
Glass Room: a Vera Stanhope Novel 5
Ann Cleeves



Skull Beneath the Skin (Cordelia Gr...
Baroness P. D. James



Unsuitable Job for a Woman
P. D. James



Curious George Story
H. A. Rey



Tiddler
Julia Donaldson



Snail and the Whale
Julia Donaldson



We Solve Murders
Richard Osman

SAVE THE DATE

St John's Kermesse Fête



Eglise anglicane St John's
Samedi 29 mars 10.00 - 16.00
31 avenue Carnot, Menton



*** Ateliers pour les enfants ***
*** The Great Menton Marmalade Contest à 14h ***
*** tombola * clothing * books * cakes & more ***

Email stjohns.kermesse@gmail.com pour faire dons à vendre
Pour toute information www.anglicanchurchmenton/kermesse

Les bénéfices seront au profit de l'église St John's.

Delicious treats, upcycling workshops for kids, tombola and items for sale. At 2pm, we'll host the Great Menton Marmalade Contest – submissions welcome! **We are looking for donations** a wide variety of categories – e.g. bric à brac, toys, books, art, jam, jewellery, etc . All proceeds will go to support St John's Church. **From 15 January, donations and marmalade submissions will be accepted during Library hours.** Alternatively, email stjohns.kermesse@gmail.com. For details about entering the contest or volunteering, visit www.anglicanchurchmenton.com.

AND FNALLY..... A heartfelt plea to all our member to return books and DVDs. We currently have more than **50 books overdue!** The bookdrop, beside the church, opposite the bus stop is available 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.



THANK YOU

Opening hours are Wednesday (14.30-17.30 and Saturday (09.30-12.30).
On behalf of SJEL Committee
Joanna Langhorne (President)
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