



Memorial Hall, Marlborough College, Bath Road, Marlborough, Wiltshire, SN8 1PA

## PROGRAMME

09.15	<b>Arrival and Registration</b>	<i>Memorial Hall terrace</i>
10.00	<b>Welcome and Introduction</b> <b>Louise Moelwyn-Hughes</b> <b>Jill Turner</b>	<i>Master Marlborough College</i> <i>Chair u3a in Kennet</i>
10.10	<b><u>Media revolution. What do we think?</u></b> <b>David Hammond</b>	<i>Chairman u3a Bath &amp; Wilts Network</i> The media is changing and so is our consumption of it. What is happening and why should we be interested? Do we all feel the same?
10.40	<b>Students mini TED talks</b>	
11.00	<b>Coffee Break</b>	<i>Marquee in Court</i>
11.30	<b><u>Not another b***** podcast</u></b> <b>Naomi Kerbel</b>	<i>Communications Director SEC Newgate</i> Podcasts educate, inform, entertain and make us think but how is podcasting and reporting influencing the news and are we at "peak podcast"?
11.50	<b>Student mini TED talk</b>	
11.55	<b><u>Is our media fit for purpose?</u></b> <b>Dominic Ponsford</b>	<i>Editor in Chief Press Gazette</i> Can or should we defend how our media deals with controversial issues? Insights on the governance processes and ownership behind the scenes.
12.25	<b>Headlines from our survey</b>	
12.30	<b>Buffet lunch</b>	<i>Marquee in Court (for those booked)</i> <i>Optional media discussions; Chapel visits, u3a in Kennet exhibition and meeting students and colleagues from Kennet and other u3as.</i>
13.40	<b><u>The media and politics</u></b> <b>Tom Newton Dunn</b>	<i>Journalist and Broadcaster TalkTV</i> The media is key to a successful democracy. How can – or should – broadcasters like Tom help sustain this? Our experienced political commentator tells us what it's like to work in this context; whether journalists are up to the task; and why he and we should be alert to the future of the media.
14.10	<b>Students mini TED talks</b>	

14.30 **Local media as it happens**

**Karen Gardner**

*Radio and Social Media Journalist*

How important is local reporting to an authentic media? A presenter's view of why local people and local stories matter and how this form of media might go on changing.

14.55 **Short break**

15.15 **Is journalism at its end?**

**Nigel Fardale**

*Senior editor and interviewer*

Newspapers evolve and mutate. Nigel will challenge our views on the changing value of print versus online. He will also tell us about "Big Beast" interviewing, from Trump and Hawking to McCartney and Jagger – and some of the ethical lines between education, information and entertainment.

15.45 **Conclusions and close**

16.00 **Departure**

## Speaker Biographies

**David Hammond** is Chairman of the u3a Bath & Wiltshire Network. He was previously the Chairman of u3a in Kennet from 2019 – 2022. He takes a keen interest in all its groups and activities, including as an active participant in the Controversial Current Affairs discussion group.

**Naomi Kerbel** is an expert in many forms of communication and is Communications Director with media advisers, SEC Newgate. She has 12 years' broadcast experience as a TV journalist at Bloomberg, Sky News and CNBC. Naomi is an advocate for social justice, access and equality through her podcast 'Show me the Way' (which profiles women making a difference to lives of others); as a judge for the Veuve Clicquot BOLD awards; as an ambassador for Asia Women of Achievement Awards; and as a founding advisor for OK Mentor.



**Dominic Ponsford** is the editor in chief of Press Gazette and has more than 20 years' experience in journalism. He is a former Paul Foot Awards finalist and Professional Publishers Association (PPA) Editor of the Year nominee 2022.



**Tom Newton Dunn** began his career at the Daily Telegraph and subsequently had long spells as a “red top” news journalist with both the Mirror and Sun. After 10 years writing about defence (including 9/11 and wars in Afghanistan and Iraq) he turned to politics and to new roles in broadcast journalism. He became a presenter and chief political commentator at the newly formed *Times Radio* and then moved to *TalkTV* ahead of its launch in April 2022. There he presents the hour-long flagship weekday news programme, *First Edition*. His press awards include Scoop of the Year and Politics Journalism.



**Karen Gardner** is a broadcast, social media and on-line journalist with BBC Radio Wiltshire. She was first on the scene and led their 2018 coverage of the Novichok attack in Salisbury. Other notable stories include Swindon murderer Keith Halliwell’s conviction; the Stonehenge tunnel saga; closure of Swindon’s Honda Factory and the army’s rebasing to Salisbury Plain. She has also worked for the Daily Telegraph, online news sites and women’s magazines. She joined the BBC in 2009 and works as a social media journalist and radio presenter – locally and nationally – and trains and mentors new journalists.



**Nigel Farndale** has won several journalism awards. He was chief interviewer on The Sunday Telegraph for 20 years. His interview subjects have included Sir Mick Jagger, Stephen Hawking, Donald Trump and Sir Paul McCartney. Currently a senior editor at The Times, he has also written for the Observer, Financial Times, Daily Telegraph and Spectator. Nigel’s several books include *The Blasphemer*, a bestselling novel that was shortlisted for the Costa Prize.





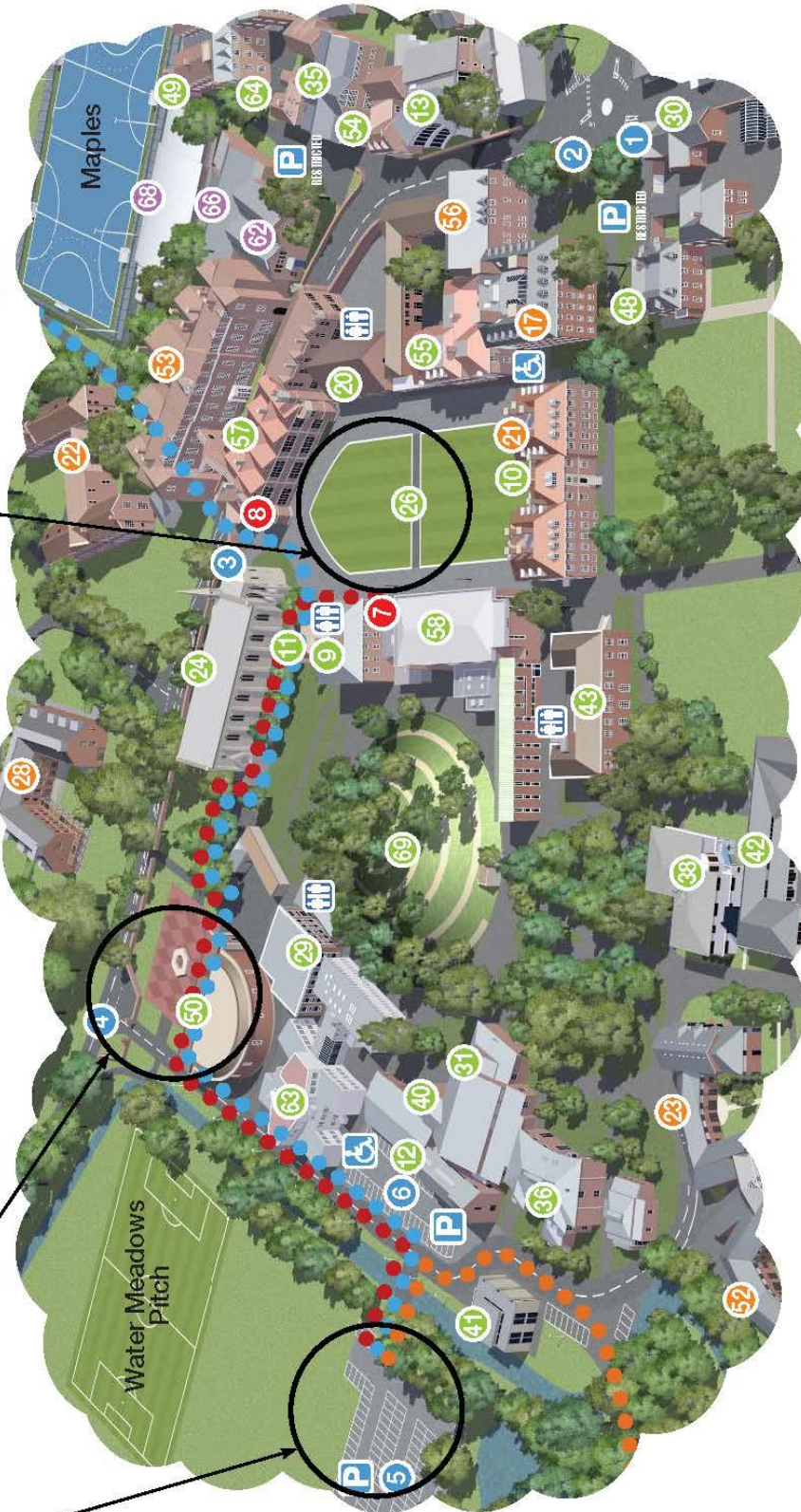


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1. Inner Campus

Car Park Memorial Hall

Court

- Route to Reception
- Route to Sports Pitches
- Route to Athletics Track and Preshute



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- 2 Master's Lodge - Pedestrian Entrance
- 3 Court - Restricted Access
- 4 Main Entrance - Car Park
- 5 Water Meadows - Main Car Park
- 6 Parade Ground - Coach Parking Only
- 7 Reception
- 8 Security - Porters' Lodge
- 9 A House, Meadow Centre
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- 12 Armoury & Rifle Range
- 13 Art School
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- 19 Chapel
- 20 Court
- 21 Dancy House
- 22 Design & Technology
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- 24 Ellis Theatre
- 25 Gymnasium
- 26 Henry Hony Centre & Goodson Hall
- 27 Heywood Block
- 28 Kempson Centre
- 29 Kennet Building
- 30 Language Centre
- 31 Leaf Block
- 32 Master's Lodge
- 33 Medical Centre (Sam)
- 34 Memorial Hall
- 35 Mill Mead
- 36 Morris House
- 37 Mount House (Art)
- 38 Museum Block
- 39 New Court
- 40 North Block
- 41 Nonwood Hall
- 42 Rackets Courts
- 43 Science Block
- 44 Southfield
- 45 Squash & Fives Courts
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