



BATTLE OF BRITAIN HEROES

Banbury residents turned out in force recently to honour the country's Battle of Britain heroes.

A military and civic parade marched through Banbury to St Mary's Church for a memorial service.

After the service the parade marched back down High Street for



the salute opposite the bandstand, with hundreds of people lining the route to watch the processions. The battle was fought in



the skies above southern England in the summer and autumn of 1940 and the RAF's defeat of the Luftwaffe was a major factor in preventing Hitler from invading England.

The town's former aluminium factory, known as 'the ally,' was the only place in England that produced metal for the manufacture of aircraft for the RAF, including Spitfires and Lancaster bombers. The real factory was camouflaged to look like open fields and a fake factory was built three miles north of Banbury to mislead German bombers.

The fake factory was known as the 'dummy ally.'



HIGHMARKET HOUSE MURAL

Great Interior Design finalist Lucy Tiffney is pictured with the mural that now adorns the walls at Banbury's newest care home, Highmarket House, situated behind the Cromwell Lodge Hotel. Lucy was ably supported by Lee Thomas, Morgan Mason, Annabelle North and Selina Hicks, art foundation course students from the Banbury and Bicester College.

Lucy's previous clients have included Ruby Wax and Bonhams London.



CHRISTMAS FAIR IN THE COTSWOLDS

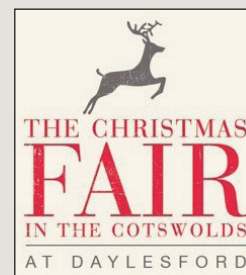
Start your Christmas planning in style at *The Christmas Fair in the Cotswolds* at Daylesford in aid of WellChild on 6th - 8th November.

Over 180 stalls will be selling unique and inspiring products including luxury fashion, jewellery, home accessories, children's toys and clothes, culinary treats and even gifts for men!



10% of all sales go directly to WellChild, the national charity committed to improving the quality of life for children with serious illness in the UK.

Tickets £8 on the door, discounts if bought in advance, visit www.cotswoldfair.com



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