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BCP = Book of Common Prayer CW = Common Worship

Sunday	1 August	Ninth after Trinity
8.00	Ellisfield	Holy Communion BCP
9.45	Cliddesden	Holy Communion CW
11.15	Dummer	Family Service /Sunday Special
2.30	Cliddesden	Baptism of Hugh Walker
Readings	2 Samuel 11:	26-12:13, Ephesians 4:1-16, John 6:24-35
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Sermon Work for the food which endures to eternal life

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Sunday	8 August	Tenth after Trinity
8.00	Dummer	Holy Communion BCP
9.45	Ellisfield	Holy Communion CW
11.15	Cliddesden	Family Communion
2.30	Cliddesden	Baptism of Ted McDermott
Readings	2 Samuel 18:	5-9, 15, 31-33; Ephesians 4:25-5:2;
C	John 6:35, 41	-51 Psalm 130
Sermon	Christian fait	th results in Christian behaviour
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Sunday	15 August	Eleventh after Trinity	
8.00	Ellisfield	Holy Communion BCP	
9.45	Dummer	Matins BCP	
11.15	Cliddesden	Family Service	
Readings	1 Kings 2:10	-12, 3:3-14; Ephesians 5:15-20,	
C	John 6:51-58	Psalm	111
Sermon	I am the brea	ud of life	
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<b>Sunday</b> 11.00 2.00 3.30 Readings 21-23 Psalm 1 <i>Sermon</i>	St. Andrew's F Dummer Ellisfield Song of Solom 5	Farleigh Sophia Baptismon 2:8-	enth after Trinity Wallop Flammich m of Theodore Sawter-Bell 13, James 1:17-end, Mark 7:1-8,14-15, and not hearers only
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<b>Sunday</b> 6.00	Northington 8 August Wield		Holy Communion CW <b>Tenth after Trinity</b> Evensong
<b>Sunday</b> 11.00 3.00	<b>15 August</b> Preston Northington		<b>Eleventh after Trinity</b> Morning Prayer Baptism of <i>Ophelia A dams</i>
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#### **Dear Friends**

This is my penultimate "Dear Friends" before retiring at the end of September 2021. I've written around 60 over the last 10 years with a wide range of subjects – some controversial in some people's eyes, others, to encourage each person into a relationship with Jesus Christ, for that is the only thing that lasts into eternity.

One thing rural clergy have to do a lot of is driving from village to village, especially on Sundays, to lead worship, engage with congregations, pick up pastoral issues and pray with folk in the short time in each place. I heard a story recently about a place where lots of car accidents had occurred; as a consequence big warning signs were erected, but then, others questioned why these signs were needed. They were told the warnings were to save lives.

God's Word is full of stories from which we can learn, some of which are serious warnings from history; for instance, stories of polygamous marriages don't give us permission to do the same, but to learn from the consequences of rivalry, favouritism and flawed family life. There are stories of priests and kings and their failures to walk with God, and instead going after their own lustful pleasures, or making very wrong decisions without consulting the Lord - these warn us not to do the same, but to walk in step with God.

There are also great stories of courage and faith– David and Goliath – which echoes so often today when small people take on big companies or evil ty-rants and win, for "if God is for us, who can be against us?"

There's heroism under pressure, like Daniel, who refused to bow the knee to any other god but the true God, was thrown into a den of lions, but was saved by angels; bowing the knee for us as Christian people should only be to our monarch, who knows the Living God herself and therefore bows the knee to Him alone, and to Jesus Christ our Lord and Saviour. No virtue signalling here.

There's Shadrach, Meshach and Abednego, who also refused to worship what the king and the culture told them. "Even if our God does not save us, we will not bow down to an idol"; thrown into a fiery furnace, Jesus appeared with them in the fire, and they came out of the furnace without a hair singed.

The greatest Good News story is a Saviour who came into the world to save us from the consequences of our sins, and give us the Holy Spirit to change us to be more like him as we trust Him daily.

When I left one of my previous jobs, the jokers in the congregation set up a "This was your Curacy" in the vein of "this is Your Life"; they were merci-





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less in picking up my habits and gestures, but we laughed a lot. I still have a copy of the video.

When we get to the throne of heaven, perhaps a similar video of our lives will be ready for broadcast, not only detailing the laughter, but every careless word, every thoughtless gesture, every secret thought will be revealed. I'm not sure I would like my personal life, with my faults and failings, as well as the good bits, to be written about and read about two thousand years later like so many in scripture; but the good news of the gospel is that when we walk with Jesus, when we get to that day – and we all will – when the video tape or CD is inserted and play button pressed, all that will be seen is the life of Jesus, for our lives are hidden with Christ in God – sins washed away, past forgiven and wiped clean, and only what has been achieved through our walking with Jesus will be left.

You will find information about farewells in September as I come to the close of almost ten years with you – I do hope to see as many people as possible to say a personal good bye- more next month. Prayerfully yours,

#### Stephen



## **Benefice Morning Prayers**

Since 2019 a group of us have been meeting to pray every Wednesday from 9.00 am to 9.30am, reading a Psalm and praying for matters concerning the Benefice, each other and for issues in our country and the world. David and Stephen come almost every week to join in what is most important - praving and seeking the Lord.

Since last year's lockdown we've met on Zoom, which has widened the group beyond Ellisfield, and grown in numbers. Some of us have learned to pray in ways we've not done before, and we have grown spiritually as a consequence.

From August we will meet on the first Wednesday in the month "face to face" in St Martins, the remaining Wednesdays we will meet on Zoom. We would love you to join us, and you will witness specific prayers being specifically answered.

The Zoom link is on the Benefice website

If you would like to know more please call Peter and Sylvia Raine on 01256 - 381221..... or just come.

## **Rev Stephen Mourant's Farewell Service.** September 19 4pm St John's, Northington.

Stephen is retiring after almost ten years of ministry in our benefice and we are having a farewell service for him to which all are invited

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David



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On Friday 16 July he announced that he is retiring – and completely stepping back immediately from all duties, although technically in the post till February 2022.

We would ask your continued prayers for the current situation, so that the diocese will be able to pick things up rapidly and move forward to a change of culture and leadership in due course.

Stephen has had a level of involvement from early on in the "motion of no confidence", and there are some very good people who are leaders of the diocesan synod who have been running the Bishops' Council and Board of Finance to make sure the diocese' processes continue.

Please be assured that the diocese is not about to go bankrupt, but we do need to return to more clergy posts as soon as giving from the parishes increase – if we think that clergy are worth having, we need to give in order that it is possible- we may be a mixed bunch, and some better than others, some worse than others, but as someone pointed out when laity were grumbling about the standards of clergy, "Well, we only have the laity to choose them from!"

Please pray for rapid new confidence to rise, for healing of the wounds and for Jesus become more real to us all. *Stephen Mourant 17 July 2021* 



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It was a case of third time lucky as weather and then COVID restrictions had thwarted previous planned occasions. After a particularly hot spell, it was the most perfect late July evening to celebrate on the cricket field outside The Candover Valley Club in Brown Candover.

The Earl of Portsmouth got the proceedings off to a start by reading a Citation, composed by himself, before presenting Andy



with the framed copy which had been beautifully calligraphed by Mrs Susie Deane from Ellisfield.

A few words of thanks were said by Jonathan Moseley before Mrs Effie Andreae presented Andy with an original 400+ year old framed map of Hampshire showing some of the villages, by name, on Andy's extensive "Basingstoke Rural South" Beat.

Mike Pratt then made an impromptu speech on behalf of the keepers and to much applause!

Mark Wilson, NFU Mutual in Dummer, generously provided the refreshments for the evening and which made for a very happy but sad occasion.

It was a most fitting send off for Andy and his wife Lynda as they head west and start a new chapter in their lives.

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Hello, my name is Lynda Plenty, and I am the newly elected church warden for our lovely little church in Cliddesden.

I have joined our small and hard-working District Church Council (the DCC) and represent our church at the Parish of Farleigh Church Council meetings.

Now that we are all heading back towards "normal" (remember that?) St Leonard's is now looking for a few more enthusiastic, motivated people to grow our happy band of volunteers. We could do with some help!

We also welcome all to join our lovely, lively and friendly congregation. If you don't yet know us, come and see what you are missing. You will be welcomed warmly and generously. We look forward enormously to seeing you at a forthcoming service.

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All Saint's Dummer	1 Aug 11.15	Jeremy Glyn	
	8 Aug 8.00	Louise Hill-King	
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	22 Aug 9.45	Micharl Hill-King	Charklie Palmer- Tompkinson & Claire Wilmot- Sitwell
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As I'm writing this on a particularly wet July morning the quote from John Ruskin seems very appropriate! No moaning about the weather – although I will ask if anyone has been burning bracken?

In 'The Glory of the Garden' from August 15<sup>th</sup> 1903 there was an article entitled 'Fern Lore', which I would like to share with you: Where the copsewood is the greenest,

Where the fountains glisten sheenest,

Where the morning dew lies longest,

There the Lady-fern grows strongest. - Scott

Like the far-famed ring of Gyges, fern-seed is traditionally supposed to possess the

power of rendering its owner invisible and enabling him to detect all witches disguised in the human shape. But to be endued with these properties, the seed must be caught upon a plate as it falls from the buckler fern at midnight upon Midsummer's Eve – the precise moment of that already-mystic night when, it is said, St. John the Baptist was born. Upon Midsummer's Day, charms, known as "lucky-hands" or "St. John's hands", were often woven from the curled-in fronds of the buckler fern, as these were supposed to impart a peculiar virtue to cattle troughs.



In the days of the Stuarts, the root of the male fern was much used by maidens in their preparation of love potions, although her lover might be reluctant to acknowledge the real means by which he had been enthralled:

'Twas the maiden's matchless beauty, That drew my heart a-nigh, Not the fern-root potion, But the glance of her blue eye.

## Candover Valley Pre-School

During the fabulous weather this summer we have had so much fun with water, mud and sand play outside in the garden, as well as spending a lot of time planting and growing our vegetable garden. Hopefully there will be a bountiful harvest at the start of the new term for the children. We will also look forward to playing with some new resources in September funded by the money raised this year by our very supportive Parents and Committee.

At the end of the summer term there was a graduation for each child at CVP who is transitioning to school. We will miss them all but wish them well, with lots of happiness, fun and excitement on the next part of their journey.

Our Forest Leaders can't wait to be back in September with the children at our Forest sessions on Monday afternoons and Thursday mornings, exploring and learning about nature again.

#### **About CVP:**

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We look forward to welcoming you very soon! Best wishes,

Lisa Collisson, Pre-School Head







## **Brighton Hill Community School**

## **BHCS Extra-curricular activities.**

One of the biggest hardships for everyone during lockdown was not being

able to do the activities we love, with the people will love to be with. Clubs inside or outside of school had to be shut down and we all had to miss out on the excitement of what we wanted to do!

However, there is a light at the end of this tunnel!

As Boris Johnson slowly eases the lockdown

rules, the third stage meant that schools and other organisations, as long they follow the Covid-19 guidelines, were allowed to start up their clubs again.



They had to fulfil a risk assessment and, depending on the activity, had to follow appropriate procedures.

At Brighton Hill Community School staff started to open up clubs slowly, in a safe controlled way.

These clubs included, Basketball, Football, Drama, Home learning, and many more. The clubs are bubbled in year groups with things like sanitisation taking place continually.

Lockdown has been hard for all of us, and I know we've missed doing what we love, but slowly things are going back to some sort of normal, as we begin to do whatever it is we enjoy!

Everyone at BHCS hopes you have a happy and safe summer.

By Harrison B, Student Journalist, BHCS

In Staffordshire, there is an old belief that the burning of large tracts of bracken is sure to bring on heavy rains. Ahead of his visit to the county, King Charles I even ordered a letter to be sent to the Sheriff of Staffordshire strictly prohibiting such an act: *"Sir, - His Majesty, taking notice of an opinion entertained in Staffordshire that the* 

burning of ferne doth draw down rain, and being

desirous that the country and himself may enjoy fair weather so long as he remains in these parts, His Majesty has commanded me to write to you to cause all burning of ferne to be forborne, until His Majesty be passed the country."

The Druids considered ferns to be sacred trees, and one of the most magical herbs that there are. Considered to be of the masculine gender, ferns are associated with the power of the planet Mercury, the element Air, and the deities Puck and Laka.



The Druids gathered the uncurled fronds of male fern during Midsummer and dried them for good luck. They also added the roots to love potions and ate the fronds when embarking on love quests.

#### Oh please, let this be the last of the cancellations! July 8<sup>th</sup> – 'Fish for Tea' – Steve Oakes

Unfortunately, the extension to the restrictions on meetings meant that this scheduled talk had to be cancelled.

With the announcements made yesterday, I sincerely hope that this is the last time I will have to report a meeting cancelled due to Covid19.

#### THE SUMMER SHOW August 1<sup>st</sup> Cliddesden Millennium Hall

On a MASSIVELY happier note – the Summer Show should be happening either on the day you are reading this, or possibly has already happened!

And that being the case, I will be doubly thrilled to give a full report in the September issue  $\square$ 

#### Looking forward to September!

30<sup>th</sup> September – Cliddesden Millennium Hall – 745pm REBOOKED FROM 8<sup>TH</sup> JULY Steve Oakes – 'Fish for Tea'

We have fortunately been able to rebook our speaker from the 8<sup>th</sup> July. Please join us for our first face-to-face meeting in over 18 months – we will be so happy to see you! Members entry £1, guests £2 Tea/coffee biscuits and raffle on the night

And, the last meeting of the year – AGM – Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> November 745pm Cliddesden Millennium Hall. Members only. Join us for a run-down of all the years' activities (and non-activities), food, wine and a long overdue catch up. Happy gardening! Claire



## **Ellisfield** Distributor Nicki Palmer

Debbie Scholey will be very pleased to receive your Ellisfield news.

Contact Debbie on debbie@ivycottage.aero



Thanks to everyone for supporting our Charity Day on June  $30^{th}$ . We had some lovely cakes and a good turnout. As a result, we raised about £220 for the Hampshire and IOW Air Ambulance.

If anyone would like to join the serving team at TCC or if you would like to join the amazing team of bakers, let us know you will be very welcome.

The first of August is also the start of the closed period for spreading organic manures with a high available Nitrogen content on shallow or sandy soils unless a crop is being sown before 15<sup>th</sup> September. This is part of the Nitrate Vulnerable Zone (NVZ) code which is in place to reduce the loss of nitrogen for water protection.

#### **Celebrity**

Despite the restrictions that Covid has brought there have been some field trials and Agricultural show visits to see new varieties and technology that are on the horizon. One reason to go is to see what has been happening over the hedge, to see if neighbours have been experiencing the same trials and tribulations and how they have been able to cope, and what could be done next year.

There has also been the possibility to spot stars of 'Clarkson's Farm' out and about at the national events. (Great show by the way).

So August is when the moisture content of ripening crops drops, and you may soon see some dust behind the combines.



## IN THE FIELDS By Seumas Foster

#### Dog days and Harvest.

August – a great time for holidays, and harvest, well maybe not such a good time this year for holidays, but harvest will not be denied! When you read this quite a lot of the harvest will have already been done, with the early ripening crops like winter barley having been combined, oilseeds are likely to have also been cut, and maybe even some sowing of next years oilseed crop into the winter barley stubbles will have been done.

#### Don't Put Waterproofs Away

June turned out to be a wet month here, I measured 107mm, which is nearly double the rainfall in June 2020, however I should say that 53mm fell over a couple of days in the middle of the month. This pattern seems to be happening more frequently, summer rain comes now more often in heavy bursts, and weather forecasts warns of 'local flooding' more often.

There has been a late germination of grass weeds in cereal crops, which often happens after a wet spring. The herbicides are likely to have controlled the winter/early spring weeds, but the damp conditions persisting in the soil surface have allowed more seeds to chit and grow late. These latecomers poke up above the crop very late in the season and control is not possible, however the result may be a return of some viable seed.

#### Solar Power

Harvest depends on the crop ripening, and rain clouds lead to dull days, resulting in lower solar radiation reaching the vegetation. There have been wet years of low summer sunshine which correlated with lower yields.

#### **Winners**

Has anyone thought that nettles are growing so much better this year? The nettle patches are much taller and thicker as they take advantage of the conditions.

#### **Bulletin**

Hedge cutting may start in August, but only if the farm has got a derogation clearance to start early, for the purpose of planting Oilseeds or temporary grass during August. The usual start date is the beginning of September.



#### **Ellisfield Ladies Club Cheese & Wine Evening**

After such a long social drought due to the pandemic, it was very heartening that 26 members attended our Cheese and Wine evening on Wednesday, 30<sup>th</sup> June.

All the necessary social distancing and hygiene rules were rigorously adopted, with everyone remaining outside the Ellisfield Memorial Hall for the two or so hours we congregated there. Fortunately for us the previously dodgy weather stayed dry and calm, which was a big help!

It's par for the course that rather a lot of cheese and even more wine was consumed for a highly sociable catch-up with local friends, many of whom hadn't seen each other for the best part of fifteen months!

As the tone of the evening was definitely informal, we encouraged everyone to write down their ideas (interesting scrawls after consuming the wine of course) for the sorts of events they'd like to come to in future, which included: trips out to local gardens, vineyard tours, getting speakers along, another cookery demo, pig racing, theatre and other market trips. Plenty for discussion at the next committee meeting.

All in all, it was a lovely evening and much needed after being shut away for so long!

Anyone wishing to find out more and join the Ellisfield Ladies Club, please contact Diane Sandeman on B/S 381381.



**Beekeeping Facts—'Fanning'** As I write this on 19 July, we are experiencing a heat wave which we are told will last for the next 4 or five days.

Honey bees are excellent at 'thermoregulation'. They keep their brood nest at a constant 34/35° C whatever the ambient temperature outside the hive. So even in the depths of winter, the young larvae and eggs will be warm enough to survive and keep the colony going.

Worker bees also need a specific level of humidity to raise young bees. During the brood rearing period median levels of humidity in the nest of a healthy strong honey bee colony is between 50% and 60%.

Worker bees take on the task of maintaining the temperature in the hive. Some fan their wings to circulate the air inside the hive. Others place themselves outside the hive entrance to fan fresh air into the hive

All animals including honey bees need water to survive. They collect it from almost anywhere including some dirty and not very pleasant water sources. They have a gland on their feet that exudes a pheromone, which beekeepers call the 'footprint' pheromone. When a worker bee locates water, she marks it with her footprint



Pheromone, which attracts other honey bees to the same place to collect more.

The workers take the water back to the hive to share it with other bees and to maintain the humidity levels. They hang the water in empty cells around the nest and other workers gather round, fanning with their wings, thereby causing the water to evaporate.

Fanning is not only done to regulate humidity, it is also used as a homing signal to gather the forager bees back home. When the bees are fanning they stand with their tip of their abdomens high up in the air,. They're releasing a pheromone called the Nazanov pheromone - this is used for guidance and direction. It happens often in the evenings when the foragers are heading back into the hive.

Fanning the Nasanove pheromone is also used when the colony has been disrupted, for any reason, by the beekeeper. After opening a hive and inspecting a

colony the beekeeper will often stand and watch the bees coming and going into the entrance. They will almost always see bees fanning to gather the stragglers back home again.





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In last month's column, I explained what my work to 'Build Back Better' meant for Bradley and the Candovers in terms of the environment and the much-needed regeneration of our retail centres; how the national vision will improve our lives here in North East Hampshire.

This month, I will start with how this vision will aid our network of roads. The importance of our roads is often underestimated – they flow through our area, connecting us to our friends, families and local businesses; the necessity of good quality roads is not lost on us as we begin to emerge from COVID-19 and can start visiting more of them again. £56million of government and County Council funding is being pumped into our county's transport infrastructure this year alone to fill in potholes, improve our junctions and roundabouts and, in some cases, completely remodel the road itself.

One of the main issues we need to tackle is bad local infrastructure planning – or the lack of local infrastructure planning at all – like the recent debacle over the pedestrianisation of Fleet Road by Hart District Council. Thankfully, working together with local residents, we were able to get the barriers removed – but this knee-jerk action was a waste of money, and that money could have paid for improvements elsewhere.

This was not an example of Building Back Better – quite the opposite. Residents have wanted improvements to a number of roads for years and I have continued to work with Hampshire County Council on them. The A327xA30 junction at Hartford Bridge Flats will soon see a link to Fleet from the roundabout. The A287xRedfields Lane junction on the edge of Church Crookham will get a roundabout for the first time. And local works are being carried out too, such as the improved junction in Bramley, between Bramley Lane and Sherfield Road. There's more to do, of course – and I will keep working hard for you.

But cars are not the only mode of transport to use our roads. Part of Our Plan is to create the North Hampshire Cycle Network. Following your input into the plan, it aims to link 27 different places across the constituency, encouraging short journeys by bike, including to local retail centres and schools. This has the potential to reduce congestion and improve quality of life. Achieving our shared plan will be a huge project and will take time, so the seven routes are likely to be delivered in stages – starting with the 'Fleet Triangle'. This envisions a new cycle path along Hitches Lane, linking Calthorpe Park School, Elvetham Heath, and the surrounding parts of Fleet – as well as improved cycle routes along both Fleet Road and Elvetham Road towards Fleet Station. If you agree, please sign it and share it with your neighbours, friends and family, at: ranil.uk/cycling

We'll make the strongest case to the local councils if we can show we're unified behind each route in turn. And we need to make the strongest of cases as 'Building Back Better' is key for both the prosperity of our area, and the lives we and our families lead.



Who	Everyone is invited!				
Where	Ellisfield Memorial Hall				
When	Saturday, 25th September 2021 10.30 am until 1.00 pm				
What	Tea, coffee and cakes to eat, plus a Cake Stall to buy more goodies and take home!				
Why	To raise lots of money for this extremely worthy cause (remember we had to cancel this event last year.)				
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	Organised by Ellisfield Ladies Club We will need lots of bakers, and also helpers on the day! Please contact dianesandeman@hotmail.com				





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## **Cliddesden Brownies**

I am thrilled to report that 1st Cliddesden Brownies is back at the Village Hall and we are holding face-to-face meetings! Such a simple sentence, but it has meant so much to everyone involved, after a year of barely seeing each other.

Activities are socially distanced, but we are managing to play games and find fun activities to do - and there is laughter and excitement again. The girls have baked cakes, potted up some vegetable plants, learnt how to say 'hello' in 10 different languages and have done lots more in the space of just a few weeks.

We have a lovely group of girls at the moment, from various schools around the area. We have spaces available for September and would love you to get in contact if you have a girl aged 7 to 10 years old who might be interested in trying out Brownies.

The link below will provide you with more information about Guiding and Brownies, but if you have any questions about our local Unit, I can be contacted at cliddesdenbrownies@btinternet.com https:// www.girlguiding.org.uk/what-we-do/brownies-7-10/

Sian Banks

#### CrimeStoppers campaign: #HardCallsSaveLives

The charity CrimeStoppers has launched a campaign on reporting knife crime. Calling with information on knife crime may feel hard but by speaking up with information on local knife crime, no matter how small, you could help save a life and keep your loved ones and community safe.

A call to CrimeStoppers is always 100% anonymous: 0800 555 111

Find out more about the latest campaign by visiting the CrimeStoppers website.



#### CrimeStoppers. Speak up. Stay safe.

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Take Five to Stop Fraud are warning people about calls claiming to be from your broadband provider.

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Remember to #StopChallengeProtect and hang up the phone if you're unsure. Genuine callers won't mind you checking they're legitimate.

#### Safer Streets Survey

The Office of the Police and Crime Commissioner are asking residents to

complete an online survey asking for views and experiences about safety in public spaces across Hampshire and the Isle of Wight.

The information collected will inform their application for the funding outlined by the government to invest £25 million into reducing violence against women and girls in public spaces.

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HAMPSHIRE



Update from the Force Crime Prevention Team

Edition 29, June 2021

#### **Covid Passport Certificate Scams**

Neighbourhood Watch have been alerting people to a new email scam circulating claiming to be from the NHS informing the recipient that they can apply for a digital coronavirus passport. Clicking on the link in the email takes you to a fake website which asks for personal and payment details.

You can obtain your vaccination status for FREE through the NHS app, website or by calling 119. Further information can be found on the government website: <u>Demonstrating your COVID-19</u> <u>vaccination status</u>.

Please forward scam emails to the Suspicious Email Reporting Service: report@phising.gov.uk





Your vaccination status is obtained FREE through the NHS App, website or by calling the NHS on 119.

#### **Garden Security**

There are several things you can do to improve the security in your garden.

**Sheds**: Repair rotten or loose slats and consider reinforcing the shed by adding additional panels to the inside structure. Outside door hinges should be secured with coach-bolts or non-return screws. Use strong closed-shackle locks.

Register your property. Mark valuable items with your house number and postcode and register on <u>Immobilise</u>.

Tool and ladders: Never leave gardening tools outside as they could be used to gain entry to your house, including ladders which should be put away or securely chained up and locked.

Take a look at <u>Secured By Design</u> and <u>Hampshire Police</u> sites for further advice.







#### **CLIDDESDEN WI**

It was wonderful to be able to hold our first meeting after 18 months abiding by lockdown restrictions and meet up again with our friends in the WI. True it was only our 2 outstanding AGMs which are not the most stimulating of meetings but now that we have got these out of the way we can look forward to enjoying the programme we have managed to arrange for the coming months.

Pauline reported on all the meetings we had enjoyed during the year leading up to the lockdown which brought back happy memories. I got the dull bit presenting the accounts for the last 2 years but I'm glad to say nobody asked any difficult questions because I'm not sure I could have remembered money transactions going back that far!

The only sad note was that because of the tight regulations laid down by the National Federation of WIs we felt we could not have our Ploughman's lunch afterwards. It will not be long however before food is part of our meetings as we will celebrate our 99<sup>th</sup> birthday with our usual celebrations in September.

#### Next meeting

Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> August at 7.30pm Speakers Dave & Jenny Levy will show us some of their wildlife photos.

Dave often has his pictures featured on both Meridian and South today so if you are interested please come along and enjoy our evening.

Diane Rampton Tel 01256 467533 Email dianelrampton@gmail.com



## **Cliddesden Primary School**

Observing COVID restrictions, it was brilliant to see children going off on their school trips and visitors coming into school.

#### Non-Uniform Day

The school was very colourful for our non-uniform day. The Friends of Cliddesden Primary School raised £144.40.

KS1 Visit Marwell Zoo



Beech Class really enjoyed their trip to Marwell Zoo which fitted nicely with our current Science and Geography curriculum looking at different classification of animals, their habitats and whether they lived in a polar or desert environment.

As we visited each enclosure the children discussed whether the animal was:

- a mammal: were they warm blooded, did they give birth to live young, did they have hair and 4 limbs?
- a reptile: did they have scales and scutes? Were they cold blooded?
- an amphibian: could they survive land and water? Were they cold blooded?
- a bird: did they have wings and 2 legs?
- a minibeast: invertebrates with no back bone?

The children also discussed whether the animal was prey or a predator and decided if they thought the animal was carnivore, omnivore or herbivore.

The children were a credit to our school and we all thoroughly enjoyed our day at the zoo.

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Willow class enjoyed the beautiful sunshine at Marwell Zoo.

The animals were also out enjoying the sunshine, so we were lucky to see lots of them. The children were very excited to see the sloth, he was very tricky to spot but the keeper helped us. We learnt lots of new facts, such as why Giraffe's tongues are black and zebras aren't always black and white.

The children loved spotting their favourite animals and were very knowledgeable.

Their behaviour was brilliant and they asked and answered lots of questions!

#### Oak Class visit SeaCity Museum

On Tuesday 22nd June, Chestnut Class visited the SeaCity Museum in Southampton. When they arrived, they had a guided tour of the Titanic Story exhibition. They impressed the tour guide with their knowledge of the Titanic and also learnt lots of new facts.



After the tour, they took part in a workshop where they rotated around four stations. They had the opportunity to look at and hold artefacts from the Titanic, trying to guess what each one was and what it was used for. Secondly, they had the challenge of deciding who they would put on the lifeboats, making sure the woman and children were on first and there was a crew member to row. After that, they learnt more about what it would have looked and sounded like on board the ship using photographs and sound boxes - they learnt that the boiler room had 29 boilers!

Finally, they investigated how many leaking compartments it takes to sink a ship using a pipette and an ice cube tray.

At the end of the workshop, four of the children dressed up as people from the Titanic (Captain Edward Smith, Ida Strauss, Violet Jessop and Archie Jewell) as they learned about their journey.

After lunch, they had a self-guided tour around the two exhibitions of the museum: Southampton's Titanic Story, their history topic and Gateway to the World, their Geography topic. While looking around the exhibitions, they had to find specific artefacts and people in order to answers questions.

Overall, the children had a fantastic day sharing their existing knowledge and learning new facts.

#### <u>Sabiha Iqbal</u>

Oak had a visit from Sabiha Iqbal, a Muslim chaplain from Roehampton University, as part of their RE theme of sacred places.

Sabiha is one of a few female Imam's in England as well as a chaplain, her focus is bringing people of all faiths together.

The children had prepared many questions about sacred places and objects in Islam.

They found out lots of information including; how often Muslims pray; why Mecca and Medina are sacred places; the importance of Eid and Ramadan.

Oak also had a chance to share some of their history work on the early Islamic Civilisation, reading out letters they had written about the wonders of Baghdad AD900.

This was the second visitor for this RE unit to come to speak to Oak Class. A few weeks ago, Reverend Stephen came into talk about Christianity and the places that are special to him and his beliefs.

To find out more about our school, please visit our newly designed website: cliddesden.hants.sch.uk

Paula





Hello from Cuckoo Meadow Pre-School! Our theme at the time of writing is Africa, where we have been learning all about its incredible wildlife and rivers. The children have been hearing all about the Nile and we have had special props brought in such as zebra and lion toys. Snip Snap Croc has been our book of the month - a fabulous jungle themed book which shows us that even the scariest animals have a softer side. The children have had a huge amount of fun creating crocodiles out of egg boxes and meerkats out of kitchen roll tubes – so recycling has also been very much part of our pre-school day!

With the beautiful African sunny weather in mind, we have also been planning our end of term in preparation for the summer holidays – fingers crossed for sunshine. We are hoping to hold a sports day as well as of course a leaving ceremony for all our Pre-Schoolers starting Reception in September. We wish them lots of love and luck – it has been wonderful teaching them, mostly since the age of just two. For the latest news do visit our Facebook page www.facebook.com/ cuckoomeadowpreschool.

We also invite you to take part in the Cuckoo Meadow Pre-School lottery – this month you could win a year's worth of monthly fruit and veg boxes delivered to your door! This lottery has been set up specifically to raise money and make a difference for our children. It's a fantastic way to bring parents, carers, teachers and the wider community together, in partnership with our Pre-School, and at the same time give something back. Visit www.YourSchoolLottery.co.uk and search for: Cuckoo Meadow Pre-School.

Lastly, may we please ask again that you continue to support us - and thanks so much to the parents (past and present) and community members who have been in touch. Please do consider us

on www.smile.amazon.co.uk and www.easyfundraising.org.uk. Allocating 'Cuckoo Meadow Pre-School' as your nominated charity on either of these platforms will mean that shops such as John Lewis, Argos and many more donate a % of your purchase price directly to our Pre-School – and at no extra admin for you!

*About Cuckoo Meadow Pre-School:* We are a small, friendly, Ofsted Outstanding ranked pre-school located in the Rathbone Pavillion, North Waltham. The children who attend come from within the village and the surrounding areas including Oakley, Dummer, Hatch Warren, Kempshott and Beggarwood and all agree the location and wonderful caring staff mean it is more than worth the short journey.

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#### Cliddesden Social and Entertainment Club AKA 'The Film Club'

As I write this piece on 5 July it is with fingers crossed hoping that we will not have more restrictions placed on us, so let's hope that all nasty variants are kept at bay. The following dates are at the mercy of any further restrictions.

#### Thursday 5 August – JoJo Rabbit (2019, 108 Minutes, Certificate 12A)

It is thought that Winston Churchill said "History is written by the victors". JoJo Rabbit shows an aspect of WWII that we rarely see; the war from a German point of view. JoJo Rabbit is a comedy-drama film written and directed by Taika Waititi, Roman Griffin Davis in the Title Role and Scarlett Johansson as his mother.

The film is set at the end of the 2nd World War. It had its world premiere at the Toronto International Film Festival, where it won the top prize, It drew mostly praise – especially for the performances, direction, screenplay, musical score. It was chosen as one of the ten best films of 2019. At the 77th Golden Globe Awards it was nominated for Best Motion Picture and gained many other awards and nominations. JoJo Rabbit grossed \$90.3 million.

**Thursday 2 September "Somethings Gotta Give"** (2003, 128 minutes, cert PG) Contains infrequent strong language and moderate sex references.

American romantic comedy film written, produced and directed by Nancy Meyers. It stars Diane Keaton and Jack Nicholson who in the later phase of his acting career has created a niche for himself in comedy roles.

The film received generally favourable reviews from critics, and was a box office hit eventually grossing \$266.7 million worldwide. For her performance Keaton received a nomination for the Academy Award for Best Actress, and won the Golden Globe Award, Nicholson also received a nomination for the Golden Globe Award for Best Actor.

**Thursday 7 October "The Guard"** (2011, 92 Minutes, Contains very strong language, strong violence, sex references and drug use)

An Irish buddy cop comedy film written and directed by John Michael McDonagh, starring Brendan Gleeson, Don Cheadle, Mark Strong and Liam Cunningham.

The film received critical acclaim and was a box office success. Both Gleeson and Cheadle received acclaim for their performances. It is the most successful independent Irish film of all time. The film took \$21M at the box office against a budget of \$6M A few quotes from critics;

"Among the most purely entertaining films of the year, which cuts its laughter with a dose of Celtic melancholy. It still delivers action requirements - shoot-outs, revenges, daring deeds - and chances are, we'll be quoting lines from this forever.",

"A quirky buddy-cop film with an excellent cast led by magnificent Brendan Gleeson, fast-paced and with a rarely-seen quantity of witty dialogue".

All our films are suggested by members, so please suggest your own favourites and do come along, you'll have a good evening at the cinema amongst friends. Film starts at 8pm, bar opens at 7:30. Ted Dowson.

## STaNHD: Stand up for the North Hampshire Downs

I am quite sure that you will be aware of the current concept document from Portsmouth Estates suggesting that some 2500 house be built of prime farmland stretching from the A339 to Woods Lane and the M3.



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# Candover Valley Store

#### School's out for the summer!

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#### **Questionnaire action**

Again, thank you to everyone who responded to the recent customer survey. There were many positive comments about what we're doing well at the store and several insightful suggestions on what we could do better. One such idea was to improve the fruit and vegetable labelling and this is being implemented now we have tracked down a range of suitable magnetic labels. Also, more local beers are now available from the Itchen Valley, Andwell and Flower Pots breweries. Other ideas that were received are still being evaluated and will be reported on soon.

#### **Going forward**

As we adjust to the latest phase of post-lockdown life, we thank you for continuing to keep everyone safe by wearing your face covering in the store. At busy times we will need to restrict the number of customers inside, to four, (three in the shop and one at the post office counter) as we all have to share limited space. Please be reassured that all surfaces and handles will continue to be sanitised regularly and for now, the Perspex screens will remain in place on the counters.

#### It's never too early!

This month, the CVCS committee meets to review the latest applications to the store's Community Projects Fund, set up to help local clubs and groups by investing in the things that improve our communities. If you belong to an organisation in one of the valley villages that could benefit and also meets the funding criteria, you could start thinking about making an application for consideration at the next meeting, in early 2022. **Please contact Jocelyn Rogerson on 01256 389611 or visit the website:** www.cvcs.org.uk for more information.



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## Dummer

Editor and Distribution Organiser Lyn Hardy 01256 397507 (Please ensure all copy reaches me by 10th of the month)

**About Dummer** 

We say goodbye to Kerry and Richard and their two children, Bryn and Rae. At the moment, they are in Beggarwood but still looking for something in one of the local villages.

Into Lynton have moved Helen and Mary and their dog, Willow. Mary and Helen have a dog friendly coffee house, named Willows, in Basingstoke. They have enjoyed walking Willow in Dummer in the past and will probably find new paths to walk now they are residents.

Into Westlea have moved the Ball family. We hope that they are enjoying their new house and surroundings.

After such a lot of movement on Tower Hill in the past couple of months we now move to Dummer Down Lane where we welcome Wendy and Ian Richards and their children, Jude and Violet plus Dottie the dog. (No, I haven't made a mistake, Wendy and Ian R have moved next door to Wendy and Ian G!)

#### Welcome to you all.

#### SPAM Calls from Amazon.

I have received at least 6 or more calls from Amazon per day for the last 6 months. It is now my policy to let calls to drop into voicemail. If I hear a voice I recognise I pick up so please don't think that I am not there.

#### Lyn Hardy

#### **Raising money for the NHS**

On Monday 5<sup>th</sup> September Anita Austin hosted afternoon tea at Belmore Cottage. A great team provided a wonderful tea (delicious sandwiches and cakes) and raised £183 (including £63 on a raffle) for the NHS. It stayed dry for the event and it was nice for people to be able to meet outside.. Well done, everybody.

#### The Even BIGGER By The Garden Gate

## Sheep and Lambs at Hill Farm, Ellisfield

Our lambs have been growing well at Hill Farm and we have now sold over half of them.

We have been busy vaccinating and trying to keep the flies away - they seem to be particularly bad this year. We were thrilled to be awarded the 'best flock of sheep' in the Basingstoke Agricultural Society annual competition.

Tim was asked to judge the competition for a neighbouring society in the New Forest which he really enjoyed, it is always so interesting to look around other farms and pick up

new ideas.

We have just become ambassadors for a campaign run by the pharmaceutical company MSD called 'Disease? Not on my farm!' - it's all about promoting preventative health care and it will be really interesting to meet other farmers and industry professionals throughout the year. It should be a great opportunity to continue to learn how best to be proactive and prevent disease in our flock

We are now taking orders for our boxed lambs please see advert on page 36 of this magazine if you are interested!

Louise Cooke.



Vaccinating Lambs

## **Benefice Recipes**

A summer salad and a pud on the barbecue to go with those baby potatoes and barbecue steaks, bangers and burgers.

#### Broad Bean, Feta and Watercress salad

Serves 4 400g fresh or frozen broad beans, 100g watercress, 100g feta crumbled up 25g pine nuts lightly toasted in a dry pan, 4 tbsps. olive oil, 1 tbsp. finely chopped mint

Put the broad beans in a bowl and pour over boiling water from the kettle, leave for a few minutes then drain and pour cold water over them so they are cool enough to handle. Then remove the skins. Fiddly but worth it. Make the dressing by mixing the mint and oil and season generously. Toss the watercress with the beans the crumbled feta and dressing then sprinkle over the pine nuts.

Just as everyone finishes eating somebody always says "That barbecue is at the perfect temperature for cooking now". So how about using that perfect heat for a pud, bananas smothered in chocolate springs to mind but how about a foil parcel of ripe peaches drizzled with honey and a few dots of butter (to make them a bit more saucy) and add a sprinkle of cinnamon. Close up the parcel and pop on the grill to heat through, delicious. You could use plums or pineapple and do it with brown sugar and butter with a dash of vanilla. Simple and tasty. Enjoy, Tracey.

Tracey says; If there is anybody who would like to put a dish in please feel free to let Jean know.

This is a joint venture between All Saints Church and Dummer Village Hall. We would like people to man some stalls, which will be either on the Village Hall forecourt or by All Saints. Plants, books, tombola etc still need stall holders. The Bottle Stall will be at The Old Brewery so please give your donations to Louise H-K or Debra Mann. The Holdens will have a bric-a-brac stall at Meadow House.

#### Wendy 397507 & Lyn 397507 All Saints Church, Dummer

We welcome Tim Stewart to our team of Organists. Tim is hoping to study Music when he has completed his A-levels.

On Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> July, at our Fellowship Month service, Professor Julian Evans gave another of his very interesting talks on "God's Trees". This time it centred on "the burning bush" and whether it was fact or fable.

Afterwards we were lucky enough to have a break in the weather and were able to have refreshments outside. Thank you to all those contributed towards the service in whatever way, a great team effort. (Unfortunately, the cricket match did not have such fine weather, rain definitely stopped play for a while).

In August we will return to our normal service pattern. We hope to see you in Church.

Lyn Hardy, Churchwarden

#### **Dummer Village Hall**

**Coffee Mornings** have resumed in the hall on the first Wednesday in each month, the next being Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> August at 11:00. Come and meet your friends, or if you are new to Dummer, pop in and get to know your neighbours.

**On Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> October** (in the evening) there will be a performance by Farnham Maltings. Watch out for our posters.

**On Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> October** there will be a Wine and Cheese evening. Take a trip round some Chateaux in France and taste the local wines and cheeses from the areas.

November 28<sup>th</sup> is the date for our annual Xmas Fayre.

Other events are being planned.



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