

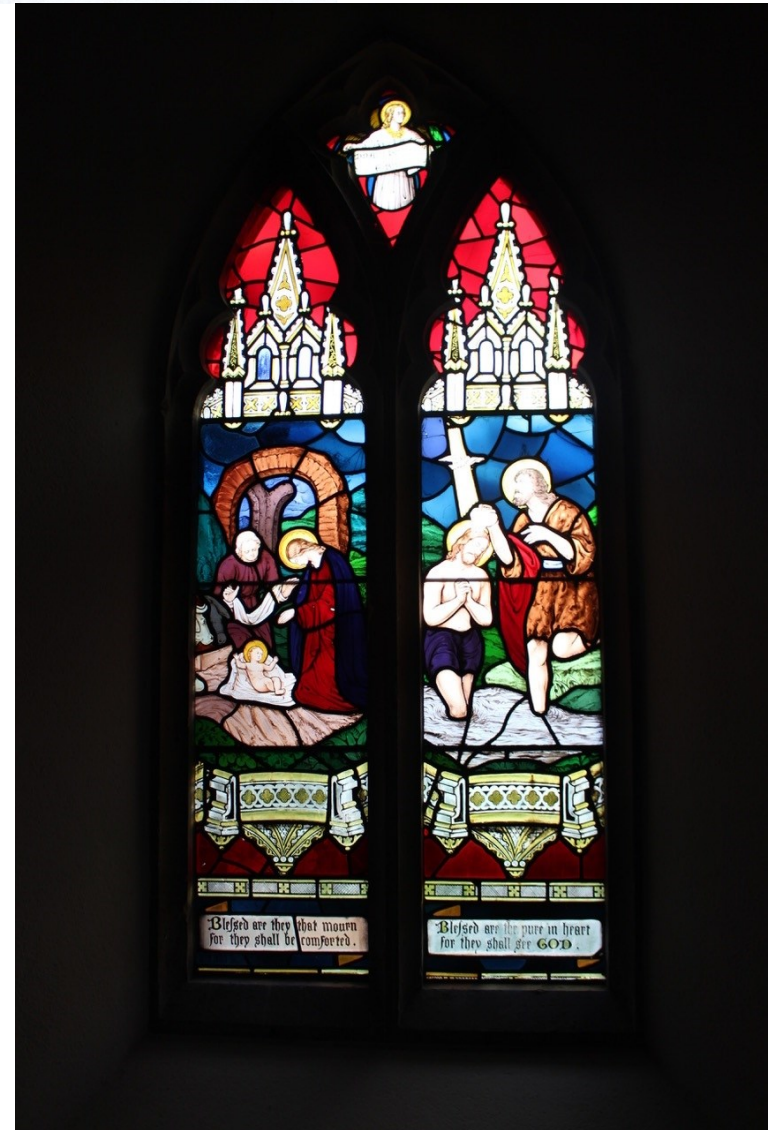
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Friday 1st December

3:45pm Cliddesden Christingle

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Sunday 3rd December 1st Sunday of Advent

08.00 Ellisfield Holy Communion BCP
09:30 Wield Matins
09.45 Cliddesden Morning Prayer Rev Ian Thacker
11:00 Northington Morning Prayer
4.00pm Preston Candover Christingle
6.00pm Preston Candover Advent Carols
3.00pm Dummer Christingle
(Dummer team with Rev Ian Thacker)

Readings *Isaiah 64:1-9 1 Cor 1:3-9 Mark 13:24- end*

Psalm 80:1-8, 18-20

Sermon “The return of Christ”

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Sunday 10th December 2nd Sunday of Advent

08:00 Dummer Holy Communion
09:45 Ellisfield Morning Prayer
11:15 Cliddesden Family Holy Communion
6,00pm Wield Evensong
6.00pm Brown Candover Nine Lessons and Carols

Readings *Isaiah 40:1-11 2 Peter 3:8 – 15a Mark 1:1-8*

Psalm 85:1-2, 8- end

Sermon “The beginning of the gospel...”

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Friday 15th December

7pm Cliddesden Nine Lessons and Carols

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Sunday 17th December 3rd Sunday of Advent

9:30 Wield Morning Prayer with Baptism
4pm Dummer Nine Lessons and Carols
4pm Wield Nine Lessons and Carols
11.15 Cliddesden Family Service
6pm Ellisfield Nine Lessons and Carols
6pm Northington Nine Lessons and Carols

Readings *Isaiah 61:1-4, 8 – end 1 Thess 5:16-24 John 1:6-8, 19-28*

Psalm 126

Sermon “A true witness”

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10:00	Bradley	Morning Prayer, Mince Pies and Carols
2pm	Cliddesden	Crib Service
4pm	Preston Candover	Crib Service
4pm	Farleigh	Nine Lessons and Carols
1130pm	Cliddesden	Midnight Holy Communion
1130pm	Northington	Midnight Holy Communion
Readings	2 Sam 7:1-11, 16 Romans 16:25- end Luke 1:26- 38	

Psalm 144

Sermon “ Blessed are you among women ”

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25th December Christmas Day

0930	Bradley	Family Holy Communion
0930	Ellisfield	Family Holy Communion Rev Ian Thacker
0930	Wield	Family Holy Communion
10:00	Dummer	Family Holy Communion Rev Mary Copping
11:00	Preston Candover	Family Holy Communion
11:00	Brown Candover	Family Holy Communion
Readings	Isaiah 52:7-10 Hebrews 1:1-4, (5-12) John 1:1-14	
Sermon	“Jesus, full of grace and truth”	

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Sunday 31st December 1st Sunday of Christmas

11:00	Preston Candover	Holy Communion Rev Ian Thacker
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Readings Isaiah 61:10 to Ch 62v3 Luke 2:15-21 Galatians 4: 4-7

Psalm 148

Sermon The Shepherd’s quest”

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Sunday 7th January Epiphany

08.00	Ellisfield	Holy Communion BCP
09:30	Wield	Matins
09.45	Cliddesden	Morning Prayer
10:00	Preston Candover	Morning Prayer
11:00	Northington	Holy Communion
11.15	Dummer	Sunday Special
Readings	Isaiah 60:1-6, Ephesians 3:1-12, Matthew 2:1-12	

Psalm 72

Sermon “The Magi’s quest”

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Sunday 14th January 2nd Sunday of Epiphany

08:00 Dummer Holy Communion
09:45 Ellisfield Morning Prayer
10:00 Preston Candover Holy Communion
11:15 Cliddesden Family Holy Communion
18:00 Wield Evensong

Readings 1 Samuel 3:1-10, Revelation 5:1-10, John 1:43-end
Psalm 139

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Sermon “We have found him”

Sunday 21st January 3rd Sunday of Epiphany

9:00 Wield Holy Communion BCP
9:45 Dummer Morning Prayer
10:00 Preston Candover Family Service
11.15 Cliddesden Family Service

Readings Genesis 14:17-20, Revelation 19:6-10, John 2:1-11
Psalm 128

Sermon “Water into Wine”

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Sunday 28th January 4th Sunday of Epiphany

8:30 Bradley Holy Communion CW.
9:45 Dummer Holy Communion CW
11:00 Brown Candover Morning Worship
11:15 Ellisfield Family Holy Communion

Readings Malachi 3:1-5, Hebrews 2:14-end, Luke 2:22-40
Psalm 24

Sermon “Spirit led senior citizens”

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Sunday 4th February 2nd Sunday before Lent

08.00 Ellisfield Holy Communion BCP
09:30 Wield Matins
09.45 Cliddesden Morning Prayer
10:00 Preston Candover Morning Prayer
11:00 Northington Holy Communion
11.15 Dummer Sunday Special

Readings Proverbs 8:1, 22-31, Colossians 1:15-20, John 1:1-14
Psalm 104

Sermon “Made peace through the blood of his cross”

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Classic films to watch over the festive season might be The Polar Express, A Christmas Carol, The Snowman and many others. A 'feel good' factor makes the film attractive, however improbable the plot lines, and yet, somehow, if only things did always turn out well, and people really did make 'turnarounds' and all ended happily ever after, wouldn't that be great? Our Christingle, Nativity and Crib services offer feel good factors too, as we do enjoy coming together for nativity plays and the story of baby Jesus, Mary, Joseph, and the wee donkey!


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Of course, this is marvellous and mysterious and so we respond with awe, thanks and worship as this carol encourages us to do "Come... come, and worship, worship Christ the new born king" We would love to see as many as can come at any of our Nine Lessons and Carols, or any other service, you are welcome.


Christmas Blessings
David

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All Saint's Dummer	10 Dec 8.00am	Stafford Napier		
All Saint's Dummer	17 Dec 4.00pm	David Craven	CWs organising	
All Saint's Dummer	25 Dec 10.00am	Michael Hill King	Brian Gazzard John Trueman	Led by- Rev. Ian Thacker
St Martin's Ellisfield	3 Dec 8.00am	Caroline Allen		
St Martin's Ellisfield	10 Dec 9.45am	Susie Deane	Gordon Dunse Marcus Rule	
St Martin's Ellisfield	17 Dec 6.00pm	Bernard Cazenove		To be confirmed
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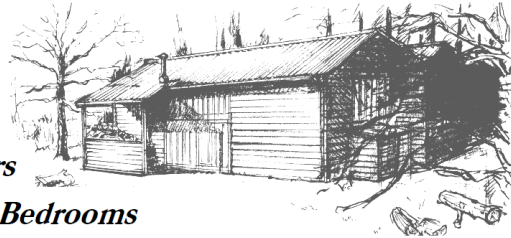
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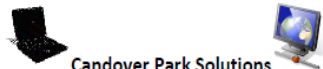
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Church security	December 02/03 09/10 16/17 23/24 30/31	Willats Potters Makins Napiers Willats
Cleaning	December	Melanie Gill & Jenny Padmore
Flowers	December	Church Decorating— all please
Coffee		

<u>Church</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Sidesmen</u>	<u>Readers</u>	<u>Service led by/ intersessions</u>
All Saint's Dummer	7 Jan 11.15am	Melanie Gill		
All Saint's Dummer	14 Jan 8.00am	Mervyn Mann		
All Saint's Dummer	21 Jan 9.45am	John Holden	Jan Marks Clare Wilmot Sitwell	
All Saint's Dummer	28 Jan 9.45am	Lyn Hardy	Charlie Palmer Tompkinson Jenny Padmore	
All Saint's Dummer	4 Feb 11.15am	Jeremy Glyn		
St Martin's Ellisfield	7 Jan 8.00am	Lucinda Rule		
St Martin's Ellisfield	14 Jan 9.45am	Bernard Cazenove	Martine Bell Dee Haas	To be confirmed
St Martin's Ellisfield	28 Jan 11.45am			

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The Belles

Well, the festive season is fast approaching, and the Choir are getting ready for their various concerts and Carol Services. The Belles have been practicing since June for the Bradley Concert which takes place on the 9th December at Bradley church for Bradley Village, so Christmas has been with us since the summer! But we are

all looking forward to being a part of a concert which promises to be an excellent mix of Christmas and non-Christmas songs with professional musicians. The Belles will also be rehearsing for the Nine Lessons and Carols which takes place on the 17th December at St Martin's Church Ellisfield.

Once Christmas is over, the Belles will take a well-deserved break, but there is another production planned for later in the year, so rehearsals will begin again in the spring, details to follow in The New Year.

I would like to thank the Choir for their commitment, support, and energy and of course, beautiful singing. They are a special group of ladies who always rise to the occasion, and I am so very proud of them all. Thank you to our accompanists Sylvia and Caroline, we are so lucky in the village to have two very accomplished pianists. Neil Streeter, who has coached us well during the build up to The Bradley Concert and Janey Park -Weir for assisting me with the voice group coaching, we are all such a great team, thank you.

I would like to take this opportunity in wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and we look forward to another great year of Singing.

Theresa Webb - Choir Leader.



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***IN THE FIELDS* By Seumas Foster**

Mid Winter has a Charm of its own

Situated where we are, on a latitude of 51 degrees north and a longitude of 1 degree west, we get quite a variation in daylength during a year, and we are just about to go through the time of the shortest days. The farming cycle is affected because vegetation, needing more light energy to grow, has stopped growing. Leaves have mostly fallen from trees and hedges, and plants are only just ticking over. Soils are resting, maybe frozen but more likely to be wet and muddy.

Livestock are sheltering, some brought into sheds and barns for the winter, some outside but being given extra feed and generally supported through the winter. Sheep will be gestating next years 'crop' of lambs.

There are exceptions to every rule so there will be some plants and animals that can take advantage of the seasonal change, they have adapted so they can occupy and utilise this niche.

However mostly this period is a struggle for survival as food gets harder to find, so that must be where we give the most effective help, such as providing some shelter and supplementary feeding,

The crops in our area look well established now, but as the winter weather has closed in any intentions for late sowing may have to be scrapped and alternative plans made. There have been some pictures of other farms in the country trying to harvest potatoes and sugar beet from waterlogged, muddy fields, tractors sinking up to the axles, and deep ruts full of muddy water. Thank goodness we don't have to cope with those conditions, we can really feel for those who have had much worse conditions than us. It must be soul destroying to have fields under water after a crop has been sown, emerged, and started to grow. Natural flood plains have always flooded in winter and were farmed for the conditions that the natural drainage could cope with, usually grass for grazing, or summer haymaking. The basic principle of flood management is this; 'If you leave the plug in a basin, the water won't drain away'. The October rainfall here was substantial at 177mm, but only 3 years ago we had 236mm in October. November looks likely to be another wet month. We have already had 4 consecutive months with totals over 104 mm, so the rainfall is building up.

Christmas, the big celebration of the winter, is coming just after the shortest day when we can hopefully all look forward to a week or more of 'R&R', and of course carol singing!

Some people say they don't like January because it feels like a long, dull month, but it's the beginning of a New Year. There will be some bright days with clear skies to look forward to.

I would like to wish you all on behalf of 'In the Fields' a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year and may your Wellington Boots never leak!!



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Cliddesden WI

Our October speaker was Jackie Dimmock, who visited us again to give us part 2 of her talk 'The Good, the Bad and the Downright Funny' about her experiences as a police officer. Once again, she had the group laughing over her funny antidotes of her time in the force which she illustrates with the miniature quilts which she makes. From the unbelievable reasons why people phone 999 – to her work as a child protection officer and the funny things that children say. She told of a day when she visited Cliddesden School and was showing the children her handcuffs and one small boy exclaimed 'my Mum has some of those, they are pink and fluffy'. No names revealed!

Next meeting

**Monday 18th December at 10.30am
Christmas Social**

We held our Crafty Lunchers Day on 31 October when we were all engrossed in making Christmas cards. Once again, Catherine brought along all her goodies with some sample cards she had made to give us inspiration. Julia kindly offered to be in charge in the kitchen whilst we were all busy making our cards. We later sat down to a delicious lunch and Ken and Eddie kindly manned the dishwasher afterwards. Many thanks to them and all the helpers for making it another successful day.

Liberty's cards

We are also organising a wreath making morning for Monday 4th December from 9am to 1pm. If you want to book a place, please see the poster on page 16 for more details.

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Season's greetings from Cuckoo Meadow Pre-School!

The children have been very creative throughout November, making some impressive autumnal artwork including pumpkin printing and creating a giant handprint hedgehog for the classroom wall! They've also celebrated Diwali by creating their own colourful table decorations using a mix of rangoli shapes and clay.

Sports4Kids continues to host a dedicated session for the children on a Wednesday morning. All pre-school children are invited, even if they don't attend on that day - and they've all have expressed how much they love the sessions.

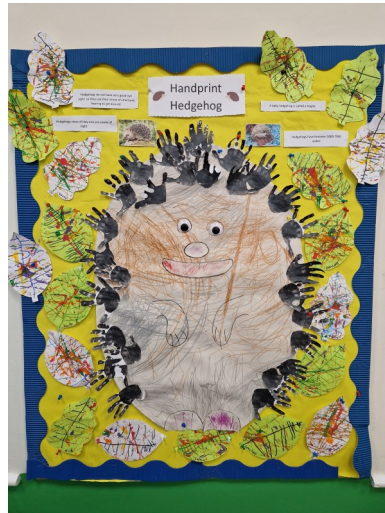
Looking forward into December – we will see the exciting return of our annual nativity play, where each child is given their own role in the well-loved story. There will be dressing up and lots of singing – and this year makes a welcome return of parents being able to watch the performance in person!

We're looking forward to welcoming none other than Father Christmas to the pre-school at the end of term. He will make his arrival by horse and cart – bringing special gifts for the children in the playground. Parents are invited to come to see his arrival too!

Finally, we're running our famous Christmas raffle! There will be a fabulous selection of hampers up for grabs - jam-packed full of goodies to win. If you would like to purchase tickets to support our wonderful pre-school, please get in touch with one of the committee or staff members or send us a message on our dedicated Facebook page. Search for: **Cuckoo Meadow Preschool** – and one the team will get back to you!

Wishing you all a very happy and restful festive season,

Laura Reed
Cuckoo Meadow Pre-School Committee Member



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Fri 15 Dec | 7pm | Nine lessons and carols

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Fri 22 Dec | 6pm | Carols at the Pond

Carol sheets provided, just bring a lantern or torch.

Sun 24 Dec | 2pm | Crib Service

Come dressed as characters from the Nativity (yes, the grown-ups too!) and together all ages can recreate this epic story of hope as we celebrate the birth of Jesus.

Sun 24 Dec | 11.30pm | Midnight Mass

You're also welcome at regular services:

Sun 3 Dec	9.45am	Morning Prayer
Sun 10 Dec	11.15am	Family Communion
Sun 17 Dec	11.15am	Family Service

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Cliddesden Social and Entertainment Club

AKA 'The Film Club'

Thursday 14 December "Little Women" *NOTE THE CHANGE OF DATE*
December 2023 – (2019, 135 mins, cert U)

Little Women is an American coming-of-age period drama written and directed by Greta Gerwig (who also directed & wrote Barbie). It is the seventh film adaptation of the 1868 novel by Louisa May Alcott together with many more TV adaptations and plays, and even a ballet. It chronicles the lives of the March sisters—Meg, Jo, Beth, and Amy—in Concord, Massachusetts, during the 19th century. It stars an ensemble cast. Greta Gerwig discovered she was pregnant to day before filming started but didn't tell anyone for fear of upsetting schedules. The film was screened for Sony Pictures executives three days before the birth of her son.

Thursday 4 January

December 2021 – "Belfast" (2021, 97 mins, cert 12)

Belfast is a 2021 British coming-of-age drama film written and directed by Kenneth Branagh, in which a boy's future in his home town hangs in the balance when violence breaks out.

The film stars Caitriona Balfe, Judi Dench, Jamie Dornan, Ciarán Hinds, Colin Morgan and Jude Hill. Branagh has described the film as his "most personal", follows a young boy's childhood in Belfast, at the beginning of The Troubles in 1969.

Thursday 1 February ""

December 2021 – "The Personal History of David Copperfield" (2019, 115 mins, cert PG)

The Personal History of David Copperfield is a 2019 comedy-drama film written and directed by Armando Iannucci, based on the 1850 novel by Charles Dickens. It stars Dev Patel in the title role, along with Aneurin Barnard, Peter Capaldi, Morfydd Clark, Daisy May Cooper, Rosalind Eleazar, Hugh Laurie, Tilda Swinton, Ben Whishaw and Paul Whitehouse.

Films start at 8pm, bar opens at 7:30pm, intermission halfway through when drinks and ice creams can be purchased.

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Benefice Recipes

Hello all, the year seems to have flown by and here we are again at the Christmas issue.

Summer clothes are hidden away, and winter woollies are in full swing. Not a single idea for children's Christmas presents in my head, it was so much easier when they were tiny tots and Tractor Ted was top of the list. I was reminded by my mum of when they were about 8 and 5 and I had bought a tin of Quality Street which I put in the porch ready for Christmas. I never thought to sneak a treat for myself, but they did! When I eventually opened that tin up it was about half full. The boys had unwrapped the Sellotape from around the lid, helped themselves to the choccies and sellotaped it back up each time they dipped into it! Cheeky boys.



Well, something for the festive season.

Blue Cheese Date and Walnut sausage rolls Preheat oven 200c /180c fan/gas 6
Makes 24 (if making bigger ones adjust your cooking time) 50g Walnut halves
500g Puff pastry chilled 350/400g Sausage meat or 6 sausages with skins removed
150g Stilton rind removed and crumbled or any blue cheese you may have.

You will need—100g pitted dates coarsely chopped, 2 tsp chopped parsley
1 medium egg lightly beaten

Method

Preheat oven. Spread the walnuts on a baking tray and toast for 6 minutes. Remove leave to cool and then coarsely chop.

Roll out the pastry to roughly 40cm x 26cm rectangle then cut in half long ways to make two long strips.

Put the Sausage meat, walnuts, Stilton, dates, and parsley in a bowl and mix till well combined. Divide the mixture in half and shape each half into two long sausage shapes the length of your pastry (flour your hands if it's too sticky or roll in cling film). Lay each sausage down the centre of each piece of pastry, brush the long edges with a little beaten egg then roll up with the join underneath to hold everything in. Brush all over with the beaten eggs.

Cut each into 12 individual sausage rolls (I like to do a couple of scissor snips on the top of each) Space apart on a lined baking sheet and bake for 15-20 minutes until puffed and golden brown.

Lovely with a winter salad or a good dollop of chutney.

So, children are fed and watered, fire lit, cup of tea in hand, and a slice of cake beside me, the dog by my side doing his staring thing at the cake and then at me and then the cake again. I'm trying not to think of presents I haven't bought yet and I'm looking for a lovely old movie to watch, something with Cary Grant would be just perfect.

Enjoy the Festivities

Tracey

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Hello From Claire

Has to be a Christmas theme – so 5 facts about Holly.
There are more than 200 different cultivated varieties of native holly.
Druids, Celts and Romans brought evergreens into their homes during winter, believing the plant’s ability to keep its leaves was magical and assured the return of spring.

In Christianity, holly was adopted as a symbol of Christ’s crown of thorns, the crimson berries a symbol of his blood and the evergreen a metaphor for life and death.

Most hollies are either male or female and need the opposite sex nearby to produce fruit. There are many varieties of both in the holly wood in Dr Wilfrid Fox’s arboretum at Winkworth in Surrey, but two confused specimens stand out.



When naming the festive sounding silver queen and golden king, with their creamy-white and yellow-tipped leaves, the plant breeders muddled the sexes. The queen is a male holly, and the king is female.

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What’s been happening?

AGM 30th November

Full Report in the next issue – however I expect we will have had a great social evening!

What’s coming up?

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January 25th – Cliddesden Millenium Hall 745pm

The National Gardens Scheme

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Family Remembrance Service at St Leonard's Church

We were delighted to be joined so many families and Beavers at our Family Remembrance Service. Ruth Chattel led the service beautifully, explaining the significance of Remembrance Sunday.

Farleigh Parish Playgroup and Beavers laid gorgeous wreaths that they had made. Special thanks to our honoured guests, serving members of the armed forces, who brought home the importance of continuing to remember those who have served and have paid the ultimate sacrifice in defending us and our freedoms.




Cliddesden Primary School



Harvest Sale

We had lots of very kind and generous donations for our Harvest sale. The cakes, fruit and breads raised £170, and the money was donated to The Red Cross Israel and Occupied Palestinian Territory Appeal. Our Pupil Parliament felt that this would be a worthy cause with the current troubles and where aid is desperately

needed for all those who are victims of the conflict. The non-perishable goods donated were taken to The Basingstoke Foodbank. We donated an amazing 111kg of food, the equivalent of 264 meals. Our Year 5 and 6 children supported the younger children with their purchases, helping them choose and count out the correct money. Well done to Arthur in Willow and Aiden in Oak for winning the pumpkins in the guess the weight competition



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5. Useful links for power cuts and flooding

In the aftermath of Storm Ciaran, Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks have provided some useful links in the event of future power cuts.

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You can read advice online about how to prepare for flooding and check The Environment Agency web pages for updates relating to flood alerts for the area. For assistance in the event of flooding call 0345 988 1188 or text 0345 602 6340.

6. Household Support Fund

Support from this fund has been provided to Hampshire households on 825,000 occasions since its launch two years ago. The £14.2m fund will run until March next year and has included support for community pantries and the provision of food vouchers. Details can be found at www.connect4communities.org

7. Reporting Highway Problems

A reminder of some useful links

Potholes: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems/potholes>

Tree/hedge problems: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems/treehedge>

Flooding/drainage issues: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems/flooding>

Pavement problems: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/transport/roadmaintenance/roadproblems/paving>

Problems with rights of way: <https://www.hants.gov.uk/landplanningandenvironment/rightsofway/reportaproblem>

When reporting an issue, you'll be sent an email confirming a reference number for the report. If you would like me to follow this up for you then do please forward that message to me and I will chase for you.



Eco Award

In the spring and summer terms last year, the ECO Team were involved in a project run by SATRO. A number of schools in Hampshire and Surrey were set the challenge of reducing the amount of electrical energy used in school. We are very proud that Cliddesden won all three awards for saving the most energy. Our solar panels helped considerably

but also the ECO Teams' work on promoting saving energy in school by turning lights, display screens and computers off when not being used and items such as photocopiers being turned off at the end of the day and at weekends. Carl Webb from SATRO came back to school for a special assembly to present the awards to the ECO Team members.

Cliddesden 3 vs Kempshott Juniors 2

Cliddesden's football team took part in their first fixture of a local school's league in November against Kempshott Junior School.



It was an excellent game with both school's showing skill and determination.

In the first half Kempshott scored two goals and a half time motivational talk was required. We changed a few positions and tactics which

worked well. In the second half we pulled back two goals within the first few minutes and finished with a third with just minutes to go. The final result was 3-2 to Cliddesden. Well done to all the team and to hat-trick hero Matthew for scoring all our goals.

We next face North Waltham in December; Chiltern and Park View next term.

Oak Class visit Winchester Science Centre

Oak Class went to visit the Winchester Science Centre to complement our learning in Science about Space.



We first went to the amazing planetarium, which projected lights onto the ceiling. It showed us that our galaxy is part of many within the universe. We saw the whole Solar System and loads of moons. We learnt that Saturn and Jupiter are both gas giants, and Neptune and Uranus are both ice giants. We also learnt that there are over 2 billion galaxies in our universe. As we looked up into the night sky, we had a glance at all of our constellations. We saw ones like the big dipper and the great bear. Looking at all the stars and planets, you started to notice that space is bigger than you think. It felt like you were floating in space as if we had a space suit on. Many of the planets, such as Neptune (the god of the sea), are named after Roman gods and goddesses. We thought that it was spectacular to see our Solar System in a matter of minutes. As we made our way back to Earth, we headed outside into the

rest of the Science centre.

Downstairs, there was a space suit that you could go inside for pictures. We went in to the small big room, which was really fun. On our way around, we saw wobbly mirrors that made you tall and small. There was also a game where you would roll balls around, but they would slowly lose momentum and fall through the middle: this represented a black hole sucking in stars.

There was a balloon which was in a chamber, and you could change the air pressure. This meant that you could get rid of all the air in the balloon.

Further along, there was a little Mars rover that you could control through a keypad, and it was put on a Mars-like terrain. There was a globe that could be switched to different planets, and you could search the surface for any cool spots or storms on that planet. There was also a pumpable rocket where you pumped air inside to launch it in the air. This demonstrated how fuel amounts matter.

Juliet Henderson Hampshire County Councillor November 2023



1. HCC budget reductions

I mentioned in my last report the steps that the county council are considering ensuring it can balance its budget going forward in the face of central government underfunding of local government. A final decision is to be made by the full county council at its meeting on 9 November. I will let you know next month about the decisions taken and further public consultations.

2. Update to Hampshire Minerals and Waste Plan latest

Over the next two months, an update of the Hampshire Minerals and Waste Plan is set to be considered by each of the five authorities that contribute to the plan (Hampshire County Council, New Forest National Park Authority, Portsmouth City Council, Southampton City Council and South Downs National Park Authority) to determine whether each authority agrees that further consultation can take place prior to the Plan being submitted to the Government's Planning Inspectorate for examination. HCC's decision will be made on 12 December. Once approved by all authorities, an eight-week consultation will be launched in January 2024. The responses to the consultation are then submitted together with the Plan to the Planning Inspectorate for scrutiny. The local policies contained within the Plan guide the decisions that each of the five minerals and waste planning authorities make when determining planning applications for minerals extraction or waste infrastructure and operations.

3. Consultation on proposed changes to school and post-16 transport

Proposed changes to Hampshire County Council's School and Post-16 Transport Policies are the subject of two public consultations which run until Wednesday 6 December.

The proposals have been put forward to provide more flexible transport arrangements that better respond to children's needs, demand and external market pressures, while bringing services in line with the latest statutory guidance from the DfE. The proposals are not part of a savings programme, and do not include any proposed changes to the eligibility criteria for School and Post-16 Transport.

Details of the proposed changes and links to the consultation can be found at <https://www.hants.gov.uk/aboutthecouncil/haveyoursay/consultations/Post-16-Transport-Policy-for-2024-25> and <https://www.hants.gov.uk/aboutthecouncil/haveyoursay/consultations/schooltransport>



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There was a table on which there were multiple cans, and you could feel the effect of gravity on each of the planets. Collectively, we enjoyed the black hole ball game and the little big room most of all.



Upstairs, we went all around the whole exhibit and found a lot of interesting things. We were able to build Lego structures in ten minutes and when the ten minutes was up, the table we built them on shook. We learned that a pyramid shape is better than a square.

Also, there was this interesting plastic bottle inside a water tube. You had to press a button to make the bubbles to go up and it dragged the bottle down.

Next, there was a metal wire: you needed to get a straw and put it in the wire and bite it and cover your ears. Then you would feel the vibrations through your teeth to your ears and hear the twang

noise.

To finish our day, we had a rocket workshop, led by the staff of Winchester Science Centre. We enjoyed designing our rockets and we realized the lighter they are, the better they fly. We had to shake the bottles for them to launch properly. The rockets were made in bottles and had methylated spirits in them to help it launch. There was Velcro on the bottle so we could stick accessories onto it. Most of us didn't stick much on it so it could go further.

After we made them, we watched the instructor light the vapour of the methylated spirits and they flew across the room.

We all had an amazing day – it was a brilliant place to visit and we would love to go again!

Written by the children of Oak Class

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All Saints Church
Nine Lessons & Carols
Sunday 17TH December 2023
16:00 p.m.

Join us for a traditional service of carols and readings

About Dummer

Congratulations! 100 and not out!

It is not often that we get a chance to say this to two Dummer residents!

Happy 100th Birthday to Vera Newman who celebrated her big birthday in October.

Happy 100th Birthday to Betty Glass who celebrates hers in December. What an achievement, ladies!

Congratulations, from your fellow villagers in Dummer

Coffee Morning.

Our Coffee mornings for December and January are Wednesday December 8th and January 3rd, both at 11:00 a.m in Dummer Village Hall. We will be extending the Christmas coffee morning (December 8th) for festive food etc.

So, if you get a lift to the hall on December 8th don't forget to warn your driver that we will be continuing until 1:00 p.m.

Thank you to Sheila Harden and team for providing us with coffee once a month and some delicious cakes, we have some superb cake makers in Dummer.

Green Team came to our November coffee morning, and it is hoped that those present found it informative.

Farleigh Parish Playgroup



Cliddesden Millennium Village Hall

Friday Mornings 11-12 Term Time

1st and 8th (Christmas party and visit from SC) December - Happy Christmas

12th, 19th, 26th January - Happy New Year

0 - 4 years old and their grown-ups

A warm welcome awaits you - we look forward to you joining us for a fun and happy time

Cost: £2 donation per family



Contact:

Melanie Qualified in Early Years (07833 528040)

Claire Qualified teacher (07757 498653)



St Martins Church, Ellisfield

All Saints Church

As usual, Brian Gazzard gave a very thought-provoking talk at our Sunday Special on 5th November. Thank you, Brian. Having different people giving a talk in our services certainly presents new ideas and possibilities for us to mull over. And it was lovely to have Rosa playing the organ again and Henry performing on his cello.

We had a new young member in the congregation, the Hill-Kings granddaughter and in the afternoon Revd Stephen Mourant welcomed Roseanna Kate Ferree into the Church at her baptism. Roseanna is the granddaughter of the Cravens.

Stephen also led our Remembrance Sunday Service, and we would like to thank all who organised this and to the Belles of St Martins for their anthem. Also, to Sir Crispin Davies for the use of Dummer house after the service and to those who provided refreshments.

Our Christmas Services are Christingle and Nativity on Sunday 3rd December at 3:00 p.m with a gathering at Manor Farmhouse after the service (thank you to the Paul family).

Nine Lessons and Carols is on Sunday 17th at 4:00 p.m. Please come and support the young people of the village.

Our Christmas Day service will be at 10:00 a.m and will be a Special Family Service with Communion.

Lyn H,
Churchwarden,

Dummer Village Hall

The Annual General Meeting took place on Thursday 9th November and Committee presented Lyn Hardy with a plant recognising her 50 years of service on Dummer Village Hall Committee. Afterwards they adjourned to The Queen Inn for a drink and a celebratory cake.

We formally welcomed our new Trustees, Rachel Beresford-Davies and Paul Simpson and thanked the retiring Trustees, John Holden and John Trueman for all they had done for the Village Hall.

We are looking for a Treasurer and would appreciate anyone who would consider this to please contact the Secretary, bridgetteswinn@btinternet.com.

Mary will be organising another great Treasure Trail on December 28th, watch out for the posters etc.

Dummer Village Hall Committee



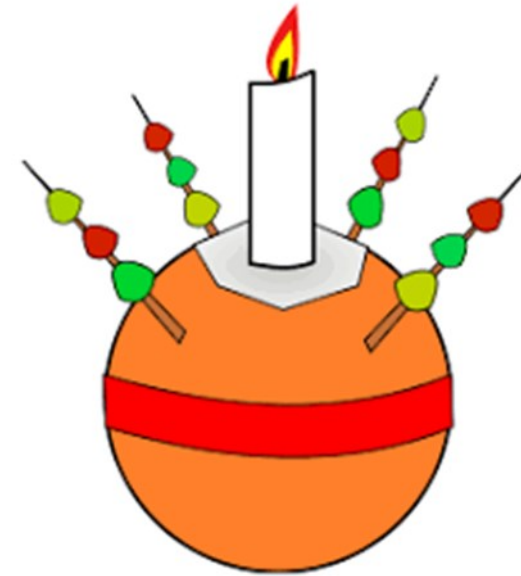
Lyn with her beautiful plant and the Village Hall committee celebrating her 50 years of service.



All Saints, Dummer's newest window, erected in 2011 to commemorate the restoration of the Church Bells.



St Martins Church Ellisfield



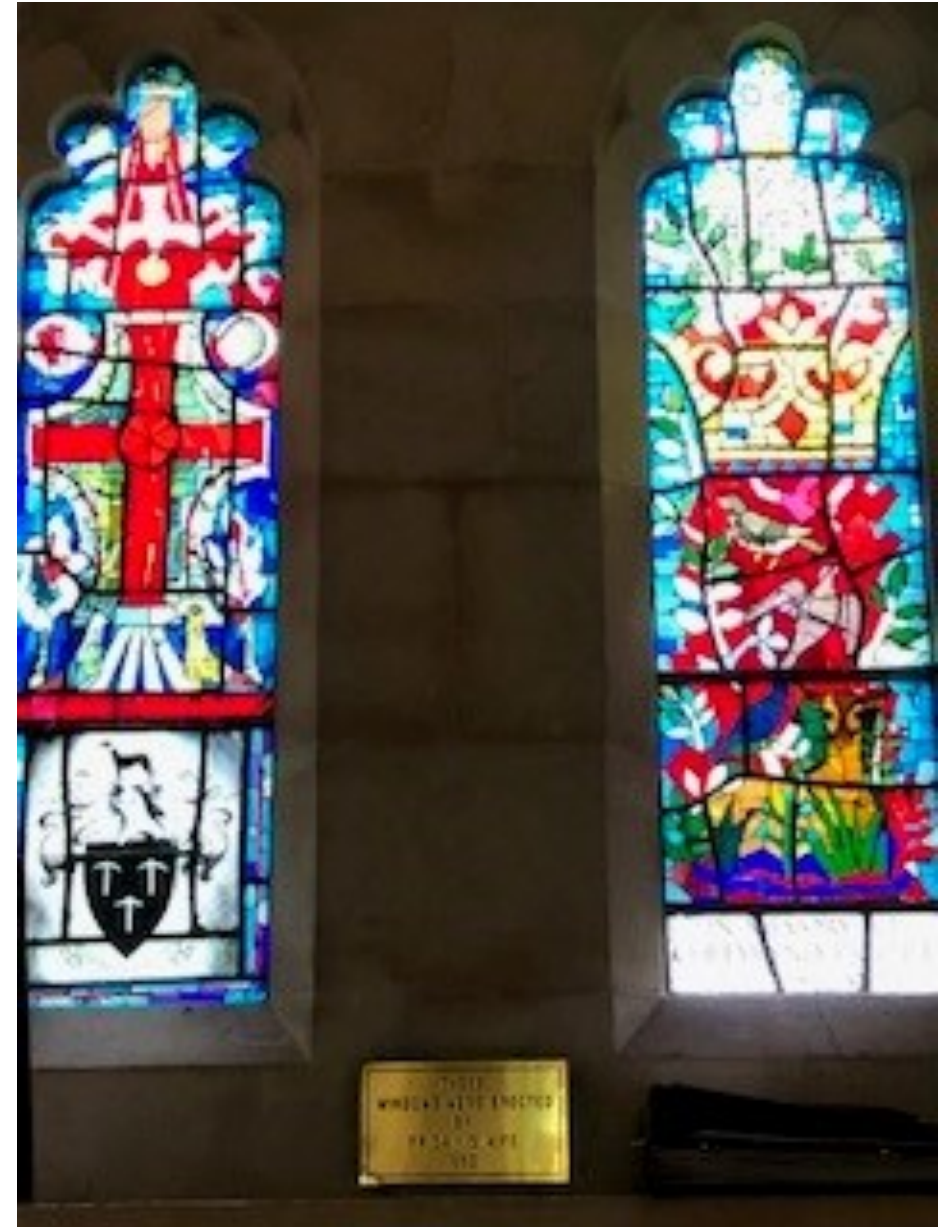
Christingle And Nativity Service
Sunday, December 3rd at 3.00 pm
All Saint's Church, Dummer and Manor
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Wrap up warm or as a Nativity character
and come and join us for the Nativity
story with carols and Christingles.
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