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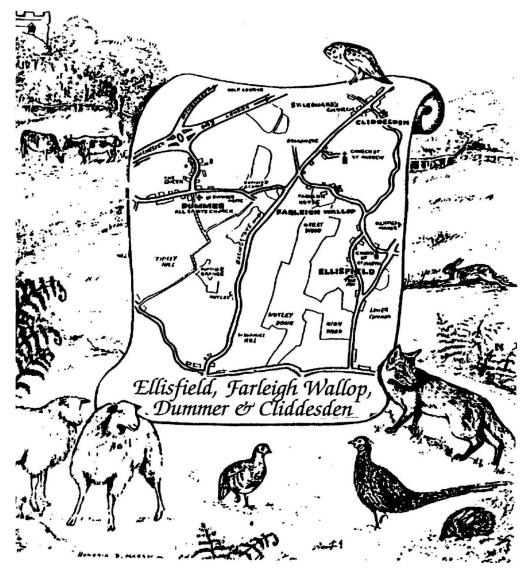
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BCP = Book of Common Prayer CW = Common Worship

If live services restart in March we <u>might</u> hold one each week in the open air – e.g., Mothering Sunday 14th March, Passion Sunday 21st March, Palm Sunday 28th March and we <u>might</u> just have full services during Holy Week – leading to Easter Day 4th April. We will circulate information via emails and website.

#### BCP = Book of Common Prayer CW = Common Worship

Sunday7 MarchThird Sunday of LentReadingsExodus 20:1-17, 1 Corinthians 1:18-25, John 2:13-22Psalm 19Sermon:I am a fool for Christ: whose fool are you?""

Sunday<br/>Readings14 March<br/>Exodus 2:1-10, 2 Corinthians 1:3-7, Luke 2:33-35<br/>Mothering Sunday theme

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### Saturday 27 March

Sunday<br/>Readings:28 March<br/>Zechariah 9:9-12, 1 Corinthians 2:1-12, Mark 11:1-11<br/>Psalm 118:19-end

Sermon:

Palm Sunday theme _____,...___

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Thursday1 AprilMaundy Thursday7.30 p.m.DummerMaundy Communion CWReadings:Exodus 12:1-14, 1 Corinthians 11:23-26, John 13:1-7, 31-35Sermon:Passover theme

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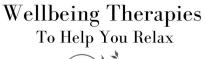
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Sunday	7 February	Candover valley Second Sunday before Lent	
Sunday	14 February	Last Sunday before Lent	
Sunday	21 February	First Sunday of Lent	
Sunday	28 February	Second Sunday of Lent	
Sunday	7 March	Third Sunday in Lent	

#### **Dear Friends**

I went for a ride on a motorbike the other day, up and down the valley and although I had ridden motorbikes in the past I did feel a little apprehensive about getting on a machine after 25 years!

But it was fine. Muscle memory came back as I began to learn the feel of the new machine. Some people describe that that is what it is like to pick up an instrument they haven't played for years, that somewhere in the back of the back of the amazing brain are the skills, the 'know-how' to play and make music again.

Memories are tucked away for all sorts of reasons in our minds, associated with activities or events often with poignancy. There are some memories created at moments of spiritual awareness, when we have thought carefully about faith and perhaps made a serious step of interest and exploration, maybe ending with a Confirmation that was now long ago. There are often things that bring back the 'muscle memory' of those times. In Lent we remember Jesus being led to go into the desert to pray and fast for forty days and nights. He knew that God's spirit was strongly leading him into that experience and he was obedient to it.

Often, we have sensing that moments in life are important and we want to recognise them spiritually. The arrival of a baby is one such moment, the wonder and joy at seeing this new life is one of great joy and profound for parents and often we meet in church for a baptism or thanksgiving service. That service is a beginning of a journey that parents promise to undertake with their children and with God in learning more about the Christian faith through 'private prayer and public worship'. Sadly, though that journey ends at its beginning, so often. Similarly, with services of Confirmation where there is declaration of faith and trust in Jesus Christ, some go on in Christian discipleship and others have simply marked a milestone, a rite of passage, perhaps in their school's program.

God has a memory! He remembers our first breath and cry, every moment of joy and laughter, every sadness and grief. In the bible we see that God is acquainted with all our ways and that we might pray to him in every circumstance. The amazing thing about Christian faith is knowing the presence of God and that once we have had that knowledge, we may take this further. Jesus promised, ""Look! I stand at the door and knock. If you hear my voice and open the door, I will come in, and we will share a meal together as friends." That is an amazing promise that God will be so close we can chat over a meal! But that is wonderfully how it is for those who respond to God's call in Christ.

How do you feel about the question, "What is God's spirit leading you into, reawakening in you, making you wistful for? Is it to start exploration again of faith, of asking searching questions about the Christian faith, is it to find again the first glimmerings of faith and trust in God?

In a few weeks we celebrate Easter, thinking especially about the events in Jesus' life of his deep prayers, trials, mocking's, crucifixion and death. Except it does not all end there! Jesus was wonderfully brought back to life and having conquered death lives and the benefit of his death and resurrection is for all.

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### **Funerals**

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All Saints' Church, Dummer 19 February 2021 Margaret (Peggy) Annie Frankham aged 92 (widow of William Denis Frankham)

3 March 2021 Mildred (Milly) Meddows Holden aged 96 (mother of John *Holden*) – service held at Basingstoke Crematorium

### Sidesmen and Readers

Church	<u>Date</u>	<u>Sidesmen</u>	<u>Readers</u>
St Martin's Ellisfield	7 March	Vicky Reed	
	14 March	Lucinda Rule	Peter Raine and Janette Bacon
	21 March	Bernard Cazenove	
	28 March	Nickie Palmer	Beverley Guinness and Dee Haas
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### **Brighton Hill Community School**

As the latest lockdown strikes, I interviewed two of my friends about their experience of life in lockdown: Harrison who is working from home and Zoe who's in school.

### How did you feel when you were told we weren't going into school again?

H: I was sad as I could not see my friends. However, I was excited to be home with family and pets.

Z: I felt really depressed, as I had high hopes for this year and wanted it to return to normal.

### Are you finding this lockdown easier than the first?

H: It's easier as we have been in this situation before.

Z: Yes, in a way as I have had a previous experience; but another lockdown makes it harder for us all to look after our mental health.

### What is the worst thing about this lockdown?

H: I can't see my friends face to face and I believe it's not the same as learning in the classroom with your teacher.

Z: I am feeling sad as I have not seen my old primary school friends for over half a year now. Let's all just hope that 2021 will soon be a great year!

Hopefully, next time we write life will be more normal.

Anna, BHCS Student Journalist



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Despite the appeal of some jobs at a possible Amazon warehouse, the overall impact on the whole area west of Basingstoke will be catastrophic.

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These are the main reasons the development should be turned down:

- 1. Basingstoke Council has declared a Climate Emergency this plan will add to pollution levels and impact on the traffic volumes in the area. The local road system including J7M3 will need to be upgraded.
- 2. Visually the 4 giant warehouses would dominate the western area of Basingstoke and be a betrayal of the work done to improve Basingstoke's overall image. The warehouses would impact negatively on the landscape of the area.
- 3. The possible warehouse site is twice the size of that outlined in the Local Plan.
- 4. It is right next to existing homes and residential housing currently being built or planned.
- 5. Other possible developments such as a new hospital, could be jeopardised by the warehouse plans.
- 6. Vacant suitable space in this area would meet warehousing needs.

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• In the last financial year, the Parish were able to pay the Parish Share in full and in spite of churches being closed for many months the overall income has increased. Next year the parish share reduces slightly to about £58K, but it is still a significant amount of money to be raised by the Parish.

• Eamonn Harding notified the PCC that after 8 years of being the PCC Treasurer he intends to step down in the spring of 2022, after next year's accounts. Thanks were expressed for Eamonn's work on the accounts and all other aspects of financial management. The PCC will be seeking a new Treasurer, so if you have the skills, time and interest please step forward!

• There are 20 weddings booked in the Benefice for the coming year, some postponed from last year and David and Stephen, with help from others, continue to provide an excellent marriage preparation course for engaged couples by Zoom this year. Sadly, no lunch or cakes but the feedback that David and Stephen receive from these sessions is always very positive!

• The Bishop's and Archdeacon's consultation on staffing levels in the Diocese has been completed and as a result several posts may be removed and some boundary changes may be made. David Chattell confirmed however that there are no plans for changes to the boundaries in the Alresford Deanery. However, since September 2020 in the Deanery, from 7 clergy in August – 4 full time paid, plus one full time curate, one self –supporting, and one vicar half –time, has temporarily reduced, with one vicar going to a new post (but will be replaced in due course), the curate from that parish is about to move to a new post and probably won't be replaced for the moment; a third self-supporting vicar who has been working 3 days a week has announced his retirement this April ( who may be replaced in due course with either half time paid post or house-for-duty,) and with Stephen retiring at end of September, the deanery will have gone from 7 clergy in post to 2.5 by this September – hopefully rising to 3.5 full time, possibly with +0.5 + 0.5 or house-for duty.

• Stephen Mourant confirmed his intention to retire in September this year. A meeting will be held with the Bishop in due course to discuss the proposal to replace Stephen's position with a part time priest as a 'house for duty' role.

• Whilst weekly on line services continue to be provided by both Stephen and David there are proposals, to commence some outdoor services during March. Details of these will be made available on the Benefice website and local sites nearer the time.

• The newly created post of Benefice Administrator remains vacant, but may well be filled very soon.



### NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

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> Jane's Watch February 2021

Good news! We are pleased to inform you there has been a minimal amount of reported crime within the parishes of this magazine. The main problems being experienced currently are various scams. One recently reported was from a resident in Ellisfield who had a man stating he was from the Oxfordshire Police. Usual story they had a person in custody for fraud of the Residents bank card. The caller were asked for confirmation of their details. In this instance always ask for a contact number and say you will call 101 later today to be put back in contact, and speak to them. DO NOT call anyone straight back as they will keep their phone line open and you will end up speaking to the same group again. If you can get a telephone number please put it through Google search as frequently it is known for operating scams.

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### **STaNHD** update

This is a brief update to the recipients of The Hill n Dale – I appreciate that some of you might already know some of this but in the spirit of full disclosure I thought it worth a second telling.

We have, as you know formed our campaign group that meets fortnightly – we are appreciative of all your various responses to the Basingstoke & Dean consultation at the end of last year - for your information at a recent COUNCIL meeting it was noted that they had received a 'Considerable response' - thank you for playing your part. We expect some feedback from B&DC towards the end of March

Our next major event is the presentation to The Council of our StaNHD Petition, at the time of writing this we have 6,345 signatories – another thank you.

Our continued activities are focused on gaining external, professional, advice that will form our future responses to and further activity regarding the protection of the land south and east of Basingstoke – the main areas we are currently investigating include, effect on local traffic and local lanes, effect on surface water and local flooding, the need for significant infrastructure investment, sustainability questions and many, many more.

Finally – I would like to thank you all for your support so far and take this opportunity to remind you to visit our STaNHD website for further information. Marcus Rule, STaNHD Chair https://www.stanhd.com/



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### **Benefice Recipes**

March is here already and though we've had a sprinkle of snow there could always be more to come.....so cold equals comfort food and thus Government Guidance should be, steamed puddings, dumplings with stew (in that order) or anything buttery, cheesy, creamy or that sticks to the ribs or importantly warms the cockles. These must be classed as essential and just like exercise taken once a day.



To balance out the excess of calories, remember anything eaten standing up ie: while you're looking in the fridge or the biscuit tin while you make a cuppa does not count, only calories eaten sat at the table count...apparently!

Here's a lovely fresh salad, jazz it up to your taste. Tracey

Mozzarella and Blood Orange Salad Serves 4

3 Blood Oranges or normal Oranges

2 x balls of Mozzarella

2 x big handfuls of Rocket leaves (or salad of choice) Half a red onion

For the dressing

3 tbsp olive oil, 3 tbsp red wine vinegar,

2 tsp caster sugar (you need something sweet in the dressing to balance that sharp citrus, honey would work too)

2 tsp wholegrain mustard

Mix all of the dressing ingredients together along with the zest of one of the oranges.

Optional tsp of mustard and poppy seeds for a crunchy sprinkle over the top.

Finely zest one of the oranges and mix with dressing as above.

Thinly slice the red onion, and mix with Rocket (or your salad leaves) and put onto individual plates or one large sharing platter.

Tear the Mozzarella into pieces, looks nicer than being cut and it's easier, put this on top of leaves.

Then cut the top and bottom off of the 3 oranges, sit them on their cut bottom and using a small knife cut away the peel and pith from each one, working in downward cuts all the way around. You should end up with 3 slippy naked oranges!

Thinly slice the oranges and scatter them over the Rocket and Mozzarella and then drizzle over the dressing just before eating.

A lovely crusty loaf and proper butter would be grand with this too.

# Candover Valley Store

**Supporting Fairtrade** Fairtrade Fortnight will be coming to a close as you read this (ends 7 March) but it is good to know that the Candover Valley Store has products available all year round, that carry the Fairtrade label and support the movement. At its core is the drive to reward farmers and other workers around the world with a fair price for their products and this year's focus is to recognise the ever-increasing threat of climate change to their communities. Next time you need to buy coffee, tea, cocoa, hot chocolate powder, sugar, chocolate (chips, chunks or bars) and even cotton wool, you may choose to support Fairtrade producers by selecting their branded products. The store is also sometimes able to offer fairly-traded bananas and is looking to expand the Fairtrade offering in the future. Look for the Fairtrade logo (often printed in blue and green) representing a blue sky for optimism, green for growth and a raised arm for empowerment. Alternatively, if there are any pupils from Preston Candover Primary School in the store with their parents when you visit, ask them! The curriculum includes an element celebrating Fairtrade and pupils are often very enthusiastic and well-informed.

**Mother's Day – Sunday 14 March** All mums deserve a bit of pampering and if you are lucky enough to have yours within your family bubble, how about starting her day by preparing breakfast in bed? The store can provide all the ingredients for a delicious plate of scrambled eggs topped with bacon or Chalk Stream smoked trout on some toasted Bramley Bakery bread and accompanied by a glass of Hill Farm apple juice or a mug of Moonroast coffee. There are lots of other ideas to inspire you on our gift table, sourced by Hannah or made by Tina (both store volunteers), plus bouquets and blooms from Medstead Flower Shack, a great selection of chocolates and wines, including English sparkling wine from our neighbouring producer, Hattingley Valley. And don't forget the store has a range of greetings cards to complete mum's treat.

**Easter opening hours egg-cetera!** The store will be open every day over Easter but for a shorter time on Good Friday 2 April (8.30am to 4pm) and on Easter Monday 5 April (8.30am to 12.30pm). The post office will be closed on both days. On Easter Saturday and Easter Sunday the store and post office hours will be unchanged. On the very important questions of eggs - Cadbury, Nestle and Kinnerton chocolate eggs have been in stock for some weeks and premium brand eggs will arrive in plenty of time for Easter. For non-chocolate lovers there are lots of tempting alternative sweets and gifts. Garry and Emma will be ordering extra supplies of everyday essentials, fruit and vegetables to help you avert any last-minute kitchen dramas!

### Candover Valley Pre-School

(within Preston Candover Primary School) Tel: 01256-389008 Email: cvpadmin@btconnect.com

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#### **Hello from CVP!**

During this month we have been reading The Three Little Pigs, linking this with our sensory story tray full of straw (spaghetti), sticks and bricks to build the little pigs houses and sequencing cards for the children to independently re-tell the story.

We have also had great fun tasting different Chinese foods as part of our Chinese New Year Celebrations and the little ones were so adventurous at trying new flavours! The children have also been fantastic at role playing the story of how the Chinese Zodiac was created, using animal props and helping the animals cross the river to get to the other side.

Our forest sessions have been the most amazing experience in the snow, including a mini 'blizzard' and of course the weather has been, just perfect for the mud slide. About CVP:

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Best wishes, Lisa Collisson, Pre-School Head



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Hello from Claire!

With biting wind whistling outside, the threat of snow (oh no, PLEASE not snow!) and still no news on when we can start out



snow!) and still no news on when we can start out meetings again, it would be easy to think that things are all doom and gloom.

Not in the slightest!

With the approach of spring we can look forward to longer days, more sunshine, lambs in the fields, and the glorious plethora of spring flowers to brighten our gardens and gladden our hearts.

So, it will be no surprise that Daffodils are the flower for March!

As anyone who has agonised over which class to enter their trumpet/wide cup/narcissus/jonguil in the Spring Show will know, there

are so many varieties to choose from you could plant a different one every year and never have them all!

Daffodils may have been brought to Britain by the Romans, who believed the sap could heal wounds

In fact, the sap contains sharp crystals of calcium oxalate, which acts as an irritant and discourages animals from eating them.

It also causes other flowers to wilt if they are in the same vase!

The origins of the names Daffodil, Narcissus, and Jonquil are quite interesting.

Daffodil – us Brits in ages past preferred the imported Asphodel to our native Daffs, calling them 'bastard 'affodil'

Jonquil – comes from the Spanish '*jonquillo*' (rush) referring to the rush-like leaves.

influx of people to the countryside during the lockdown has definitely led to more problems. It is sad to see so many footpaths being trodden so much that they are expanding into the crops and causing a great deal of damage. The countryside can be enjoyed by everyone but must be done responsibly.

We are not sure what the COVID restrictions will be in March but we welcome any visitors to the lambing shed if allowed. We hope to be selling boxed lambs again in the autumn and we will soon be offering our first beef boxes. Our Hereford Cross cows can be seen grazing in the spring up by the dairy on Grammarsham Lane. They really do lead a lovely quiet life, grazing with their calves all summer and munching on our homemade hay and silage during the wet winter months.

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### IN THE FIELDS

What a strange and difficult year it has been for us all - when COVID and the first lockdown struck last March we were in the middle of lambing at Hill Farm. We were definitely in a bit of a bubble and it wasn't until lambing was over that reality really hit. We had a very successful lambing and we were very fortunate that our veterinary student who had come to do her placement with us decided to stay on and help us out.

Our lambs grew really well during the spring and summer and all were sold by the end of September. A huge thank you to everyone who purchased our boxed lambs, we sold over three times as many this year with lots of repeat customers. There seems to be growing support for both local and British produce and we have noted some new trends emerging such as 'Regenuary' and 'Eat Balanced'. We continue to try and finish as many lambs as possible off grass alone and we are constantly striving for the best welfare for our sheep and preventing disease rather than curing. It is more important now than ever that people support British farmers - we must not lose out to cheap imports from countries with lower welfare standards.

A big challenge for us this year has been the wet weather which has led to a constant battle against foot rot. We have started a vaccination program for the flock which will cost us a lot in time and money but will be well worth it long term.

What a relief when we finally heard the news that we have a Brexit deal - sheep farmers would have been hit hard with high tariffs on lamb exports, making it almost unprofitable. We are hearing that there are hold ups at the borders due to new checks and paperwork so there may still be turbulent times ahead but we are hopeful that eventually things will settle down and normal trade can resume.

Lambing 2021 begins around the 10th March and we have lots of lambs on the way after a bumper scanning percentage - a career all-time record for Tim! We shall be filling up the fields behind Hill Farm that run from The Fox pub down to the church early on - we politely ask that dogs are kept on leads whilst walking through the sheep and that owners clean up after them. We have had two incidents of sheep worrying in the last 6 months - one ewe sadly died and another sustained severe bite wounds to her front leg. She is recovering but it will be a slow process. We know that generally the villagers are very careful with their dogs but an



Narcissus – the very handsome Greek man, who won the heart of Echo and then rejected her, causing her to hide in a cave until she wasted away leaving only her voice. He looked upon his reflection in a river and was so entranced he fell in and drowned and was turned into a flower.

Shakespeare also makes reference to this most beautiful, historic bloom in '*The Winter's Tale*'

'When daffodils begin to peer, With heigh, the doxy o'er the dale, Why then comes in the sweet o' the year For the red blood reigns in the winter's pale'



Who would have thought that gardening could lead to a lesson in Greek mythology and Elizabethan literature!

Stay safe, and we all look forward to when we can get together again.

Happy gardening!, Claire





# Ellisfield

**Distributor Nicki Palmer** Debbie Scholey will be very pleased to receive your Ellisfield news. Contact Debbie on debbie@ivycottage.aero

### The Belles of St Martin's choir.

Well, it has been a bit quiet for the choir over the past year. We managed one big concert last March at The Anvil with

the Basingstoke Festival of Choirs and a backing track of carols for the virtual nativity at Christmas. Now we're stepping into spring and at the time of writing this, there is still no confirmation of when we will be out of lockdown and can all join together to sing.

So, with the wonders of technology, (where would we have been without it), the Belles have decided to make a spring music video.

The choir sang at the Bell House in August 2019 and made a live recording with the Heritage Light Orchestra of the song 'Out of Town' from the musical Charley Moon. The idea is that the ladies will film this song in and around the Ellisfield and Farleigh area, ready to go out on their YouTube channel in the spring. The choir wanted to make everyone feel happy and positive about the year to come after having long periods of not being together.

The ladies of the choir are always enthusiastic and up for any challenge! This video will also be shared on the village Facebook page, so enjoy and step into spring with the Belles of St Martin's. The video is due to be aired in late March early April.

Theresa Webb – choir leader.

### <u>COLONEL PETER MITCHELL OBE</u> <u>10th June 1932-23rd January 2121</u>

Peter Mitchell sadly died on 23rd January 2021 aged 88. He and his wife Diana lived at Fox Hill House, Ellisfield for over 20 years, both of them making considerable contributions to the village, in many organizations. Peter was a born leader. He married Diana in 1955 and they had two children, Katie and Charles.

He was educated at Ampleforth and the Royal Military Academy, Sandhurst and was commissioned into The Duke of Wellington's Regiment. On joining his regiment, he was immediately posted to Korea, during that war, as a young platoon commander. This was the first of a number of Active Service engagements that in-



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Colonel Peter Anthony Mitchell OBE 10th June 1932 - 23rd January 2021 RIP cluded Cyprus and a long accompanied tour as Commanding Officer of his regiment in Northern Ireland, after which he was appointed an Officer of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire (OBE) for his outstanding work in the Province. He was also in The Hague as Military Attaché, and later in the same role in Tel Aviv -both demanding

On retirement from the Army, Peter and Diana moved to Axford and then to Ellisfield arriving in 1991. Peter remained a busy man, taking up a position as a Positive Vetting Officer which would have required an active mind and a sensitive character- a position of considerable responsibility. His final employment was acting as Comptroller of the Duke of Wellington's household at Stratfield Saye.

During his time in Ellisfield, Peter managed, in such spare time that he had, to Chair the Parish Council with skill, making certain that matters were dealt with efficiently and quickly, and that meetings never exceeded the time that he had set out in the minutes. He was also Chairman of the Ellisfield Memorial Hall which he also ran with great tact.

He was a good sportsman, playing in the 1St XI at cricket at Ampleforth and also cricket for the Army, once bowling to Geoff Boycott who was on a MCC touring team in Hong Kong. Turning his hand to golf, in later life, he archived a handicap of 7 and was the Captain of the Hankley Common Golf Club - clearly a man with an eye for the ball.

Peter had a very active and fulfilling life. He was outgoing, interested in people, highly principled, wonderful company and greatly missed by the people of Ellisfield when he and Diana moved to Odiham.

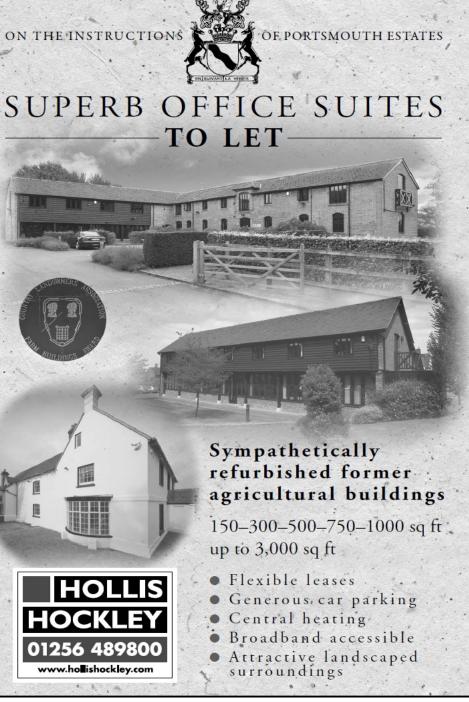
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Thank you to our 'Young Bakers' who stepped up to the challenge, during half term week to make sugar-bite treats for our local NHS workers. A lovely range of cookies and cakes were well received by the NHS team and here are some of the photos of the recipients enjoying your cakes and their words of thanks:





' Many thanks for your 'sugar bites'. Went down a treat!! Perfect at the end of a shift and the start of the night shift. Well done and Thank you everyone!



### The Cliddesden & Farleigh Wallop Educational Trust

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# Cliddesden

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or Gill on westwoode@btinternet.com

### CLIDDESDEN SOCIAL AND ENTERTAINMENT CLUB aka The Film Club

Needless to say, The Film Club is suspended for the duration.

However, we only show films suggested by members, so please do suggest any films that you would like to see. And please come along to watch, I guarantee you will have an enjoyable evening.

### Haikus for March

Many thanks to everyone who sent in their Haikus; they were terrific! Please keep them coming. All ages are welcome to contribute.

### <u>Hilda</u>

**Tribute to Captain Tom** Hunched and bareheaded The old soldier plods with love Spreading hope and joy

#### Pigeons

Sulky grey plump birds Huddling on the frosty fence Lazy pigeons fly!

A Wish To splash in clear sea To fill our lungs with pure air A joyful planet

**Spring** A bubbling cauldron Violent frog legs flexing. Frogspawn in the pond





#### Threat

The world is gasping. Struggling against pollution A felled tree screaming.

#### Rachel

Nithered

Snowflakes dance on air They float like dust particles Fragments of pure cold

### Mary

**Colour** Bright pink cyclamen Bravely glow by the holly In spite of the snow

### Gill

Meadow Frosty morning, peck

Partridges in the bright grass Peck peck at the white jewels Signs

Hush, watch and listen See the new leaves and grasses Blown lightly, greenly trembling.

### Some extracts from the Cliddesden Gazette by Rachel Beresford Davies

The Jolly Farmer is still offering a collection only takeaway menu in the evenings. There is a large board outside the pub detailing what dishes are available, or you can call them on 07900 646472. Worth mentioning again here that Cliddesden's Shabby Gourmet has plenty of frozen ready prepared and delicious meals available for collection, as well as now offering sharing platters. A delicious and fun substitute for lunch out. Details on their website theshabbygourmet.com.

A call-out for any Cliddesden resident who would be interested in looking into following Overton's lead and setting up/leading a community energy project for Cliddesden. Overton have made available a 'toolkit' to help parish councils and community groups work together to harness the power of local energy. Sustainable Overton, with the support of B&DBC have set up the web-

site sustainableoverton.org.uk, and more information on what is involved and how to get going can be found there. If there was a way to harness to latent energy in mud, we'd all be fine!

The village phone box library and defibrillator site have been rather overrun with books lately, and anyone donating books is asked to please not leave them in bags on the floor of the phone box. Doing so could potentially cause an issue if access to the defibrillator is needed.

Continued overleaf



As much as possible, maintenance work has continued on All Saints Church and it is still disinfected daily to allow for private prayer. We look forward to when we can resume services. In the meantime, please do join in with services on-line on the Parish of Farleigh, Candovers and Wield website. Stephen and David send out a weekly letter and many people contribute to the on-line service. Please email them if you are not



receiving the letters and would like to do so or ring me. All our contact information is in Hill and Dale.

We are grateful for the many year's service Robert Harden has given to updating and maintaining the All Saints Church web site. This is now linked in to the Parish of Farleigh site. Thank you, Robert, for your expertise over the years.

The snowdrops and other bulbs are beginning to make a lovely show in the Churchyard and, hopefully, will continue throughout Lent.

This year, all being well, All Saints will host the Maundy Thursday service (Thursday April 1st). Please put this date in your diary.

Mothering Sunday is on the 14th March. Please keep a lookout for any posters, if we can hold services, we will.

Lyn Hardy Churchwarden

### **Dummer Village Hall**

We hope that we will be able to welcome our regular hirers back to the hall soon. In the meantime, we have had a good clear out of unwanted items.

We have many plans in the pipeline for events once we are allowed to socialise again. A Saturday afternoon Tombola may be held outside in April, providing the weather is favourable.

We normally hold a Plant Sale in May but hall restrictions may still be place. But keep growing and we could, if there are enough plants and enough interest, hold a By The Garden Gate Plant Sale. Please let us know if you like the idea and would be willing to have a stall by your gate or in a place where folks could still socially distance. Contact Shirley P or Lyn H.

Dummer Village Hall Committee.



## Dummer

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Village Cake Deliveries to your Door



As the Dummer Village Coffee Morning isn't being held at the moment, we are offering to deliver a free slice of cake to your door for you to enjoy at home. This is open to anyone, not just those who would have previously been to the coffee morning. If you would like to be added to the distribution list or bake a cake for next month, please let me know.

Our first (February) deliveries through the village were very gratefully received. Thank you to Julie Dubery and Kirsty Biddescombe for your help with deliveries and baking.

Alex Lake is already collecting cakes for delivery to the NHS staff every Wednesday, so any spare slices we have will be added to her donation.

Thank you to all of the many village bakers for your generous donations.

### **About Dummer**

### Walk All Over Cancer 2021.

My next challenge is to walk 10000 steps a day during the month of March in aid of Cancer Research. I have worked out that I walk half of that in my job each day so just a bit more running up and down stairs from now on!

Cancer is something that touches most families and early treatment can often save or prolong lives. Below is my JustGiving page but when it is fully activated I am very happy to email it out to people.

Lyn's Walk All Over Cancer Fundraising Page | Cancer Research UK Giving Pages

The Parish Council is considering 'gateway' signs on the main entrance roads into the village. The gateway signs are intended as an indication to drivers that the road is about to change, different speed limits, etc. There is a choice of different designs, and the parish council is seeking the views of residents as to the most suitable. Please contact any member of the parish council or **email clerk.cliddesden@parish.hants.gov.uk.** 

Following on from the case of the disappearing bench some months ago, a cherry tree has now mysteriously vanished from the pond. It would seem it has been dug up, roots and all, and the hole covered over. The tree was planted in memory of a local, long-standing resident, and its inexplicable removal has naturally caused some upset. Strange times indeed.

### Cliddesden Primary School Cliddesden, Basingstoke, Hants, RG25 2QU DFE # 2041 Tel: 01256 321571

It has been a very different half of the term at Cliddesden Primary School over the past six weeks. The school has remained open to children of critical workers and those deemed vulnerable. We have had between twenty and thirty percent of the children in school on a daily basis.

All the teachers and learning support assistants have continued to provide a safe and stimulating environment for the children of critical workers who have continued to attend school and also provided quality learning for the children at home. I cannot stress how demanding it has been for the teachers to manage and deliver 'blended learning' with children in the class and at home at the same time.

Using Google Classroom, the teachers have been able to provide high quality lessons and arrange daily 'meets' their classes online. We have also been using technology to have fortnightly individual 'catch-ups' with every child at home and weekly assemblies and story time sessions.

We look forward to when all our children can return safely and know that there are many more challenges ahead. We will ensure that we support our children, as they return to a sense of 'normality', not just with 'quick fixes' but by supporting them socially and emotionally, as well as academically. Children are natural learners, and they are resilient. We have already seen how they can adapt well to changes and will continue to make good progress whether it is slower than normally expected or not. We know they will catch up quickly if they haven't already.

> Kenneth Davies Headteacher

Lyn Hardy



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