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## FROM THE ACTING EDITOR

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for publication on 1st. March. Please continue to send articles and advertisements to me at 2 Clinton Close or [karen.plumridge@btinternet.com](mailto:karen.plumridge@btinternet.com) .

## CHRISTMAS COVER 2011

Congratulations to Lidia Williams whose winning entry to this year's cover competition appears on the front cover. Well done also to the runners-up whose drawings appear on the back cover. There were forty one entries, and the standard was really outstanding which made judging very difficult. Some of them are on the following pages.

Thanks to all those who took part and thanks also to East Hanningfield School for participation again this year.

*Christmas Tree by Layla Roberts*



## **PARISH COUNCIL**

Thank you to those, who at the Village Fete, registered their interest in participating in a Village Design group. Unfortunately, there were not enough of you to make a viable group, so PC is still looking for a few more people who would like to take part. Please get in touch if you are interested.

The dance to celebrate the Village Hall's 25th. Anniversary, mentioned in the last News, was a success although we could have squeezed a few more in easily. The band proved to be entertaining with a varied repertoire.

If you voted in the County Council by-election you probably already know that our new County Councillor is Ian Grundy. You can contact him in writing at [cllr.ian.grundy@essex.gov.uk](mailto:cllr.ian.grundy@essex.gov.uk) or at Glenwood, 5 Thornton Place, Stock CM4 9NQ.

For one of the Play in the Park sessions during August, PC booked a cycling coach to attend, the intention being that the children would have some fun riding their bikes under supervision. It turned out to be a very wet day, so the coach decided to have a session indoors showing the children how to maintain their bikes. This turned out to be a lucky turn of events, because some of the bikes were in a dangerous condition. It seems that some bikes nowadays are bought in kit form and have to be put together, and it is possible to put them together incorrectly. As we are coming up to Christmas when children often receive a new bike, it is a good time to warn parents that bikes that come "flat packed" must be built exactly according to the instructions and not by guesswork, because your child's life could depend upon it.

I am often asked what is happening about the Fairlawns and Three Horseshoes sites, as they seem to have been under development for such a long time. The developer at Fairlawns recently made an application to renew the planning permission for 3 detached houses and 2 double garages granted in 2008 but then withdrew

it because the existing permission lasts until 2013. We are likely to see something happening at this site soon. Development of the site will result in a “planning obligation” for PC of about £3,000 to spend on the Village Hall or playing fields. A further £6,000 will go to the County Council to spend on “ongoing traffic calming initiatives in East Hanningfield”. At the Horseshoes permission was granted in August to remove the decking in order to create extra parking provision and to build a single storey extension on the back, and you will probably have noticed that the decking has already gone.

At the time of writing it looks as though PC will soon achieve a full set of 7 councillors again, there having been a vacancy since the election in May. Watch this space for more news on this.

Parish Council Meetings are public meetings, which means anyone is permitted to attend. This PC takes this further and invites residents to attend and bring to the Council’s notice matters of local concern. This can be done by speaking during Public Question Time, or by writing to me a letter for inclusion on the next Agenda. The Agenda is published three clear days before each Meeting and can be found on the noticeboards at the Bicknacre Road junction, beside the post-box on the Tye and in the window of the Village Hall entrance lobby. It is also published on the website, where you can also find Minutes, Annual Reports and Audited Accounts going back to 2005/6. There are also copies of East Hanningfield News going back to Autumn 2004, plus the first five editions starting with Summer 1974.

Meetings generally take place on the **FOURTH** Thursday of each month, except December, and begin at 8pm. You can find them in the first floor Meeting room at the Village Hall. Please use the side entrance door, because the connecting door to the main Hall will be locked.

Karen Plumridge, Clerk to the Council  
400628 Karen.plumridge@btinternet.com

## WEEKLY SERVICE 5 TO MALDON

Did you know Regal Busways provide a weekly bus service direct from East Hanningfield to Maldon each Thursday at 9am?

Several of us from the village have found it very convenient for shopping & those necessary visits to the bank, library or just to enjoy a stroll through the town or a chat over coffee & a bun in one of the many tea-rooms or cafes. We have also made lots of new friends from Danbury & Little Baddow whom we pick up on the way.

The bus leaves from the stop at the Windmill Tavern, takes Bicknacre Road, arrives at All Saints' Church at the top of Maldon High Street at 9.45am, then down Market Hill to Tesco supermarket, arriving at Morrisons store before 10am.

The bus leaves Morrisons on its return journey at 11.45am, picks up at Tesco 5 minutes later, then back up the hill to the White Horse in the High Street at 11.55am, providing plenty of time to do whatever has to be done. There are, of course, comfortable refreshment facilities in both supermarkets. We arrive back in East Hanningfield soon after 12.30pm. The service is provided primarily for shoppers so the driver is willing to stop, if safe to do so, at points along the route, either to pick up or drop off.

We look forward to seeing you on one of our future trips.

John Allenby,  
East Hanningfield Parish Council Public Transport Representative



If you missed the  
**Book Sale & Coffee Morning** on  
26th November your next chance to browse the  
collection of 2nd hand books will be on  
**Saturday, 10th. March**, in the first  
floor meeting room at the Village Hall, with fresh  
coffee and delicious home-made cakes.

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## **BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S MESSAGE**

As we continue to be affected by universal financial problems here in East Hanningfield we enjoy the benefit of a lovely village and a diverse community. We have a village agent, a busy shop, school and pre-school, a fine Parish Council. Our committee to produce a parish plan has done a worthy job and now a design statement is needed.

Our Community Hall needs new blood to enhance the successes of a dedicated team of many years and that must and will happen in 2012.

Our Church and Chapel are more active than for many years and the appointment of a new head at the school accompanies new ideas and challenges. Our thanks to Linda and have a great retirement!

It is with a sense of great optimism despite the rest of the world that I wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful and successful New Year.

Please ask me if you need help and bring ideas.

Mike Harris  
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Hanningfield Chelmsford Borough Council  
Deputy Mayor  
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*Snowman by Georgina Sevell*





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## **EAST HANNINGFIELD CE. PRIMARY SCHOOL**

As I write my last contribution to the East Hanningfield News before retiring at Christmas, it seems impossible that over nine years have passed since my first contribution.

During this time there have been many changes and new initiatives in education, but belief in the children and the power of education to expand potential is unchanged. In EHS the most obvious change is to the building but other changes in resources, organisation, catering, practice and curriculum have all been directed at improving children's school experience and expanding their learning opportunities. The improvements are the results of joint effort and I have been privileged to work with skilled staff and supportive families and governors. I have thoroughly enjoyed my career culminating in my time as headteacher of East Hanningfield School.

The new headteacher, Miss Kerry Collins, who officially starts in January, has spent much time at the school already. She brings new skills, experience, enthusiasm and energy to continue the positive development of the school.

Mrs Ann Purcell, who you may know through her learning support work and Wake Up and Stretch Club, is also retiring at Christmas after fourteen years at the school.

Thank you for supporting the PTA fundraising; H.M.S. East Hanningfield, the boat funded by the PTA to encourage imaginative play, is due to "float" onto the school playground this month.

There are always new possibilities and requests to improve the school and the work of the PTA to raise funds continues. Please help by joining us at...



# The Christmas Bazaar

Friday, 2<sup>nd</sup> December

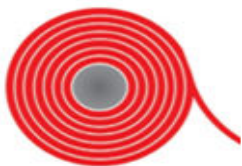
5-7pm

Please come along and enjoy the seasonal  
experience!

Have a wonderful, joyful Christmas and New Year from all at EHS.

Linda Findlay

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## **REVEREND PAM**

This Christmas we will be preparing two Christmas dinners as not all our family can come on the same day. Both lots of family are anticipating a Christmas dinner as part of our celebrations together so on Boxing Day we will be pretending it's Christmas day again. What we expect of Christmas celebrations differ but most of us have an ideal of how it should be.

Our traditional Christmas is now made up from many sources -for example, from Dickens' stories, from recipes from the East, from decorations borrowed from other lands. We combine it all together and mix it with festive hospitality and perhaps family and friend reunions. In all of this it is easy to miss out on the quiet beauty and wonder of that first Christmas and the meaning it still has for us.

I wonder what the anti-capitalist protestors outside St Paul's Cathedral will do at Christmas. Will they stay in their tents and remind us of the first Christmas where a family had their first child in less than ideal circumstances? Or will they temporarily leave their tents to enjoy festivities elsewhere which could remind us of the travelling shepherds and kings who sought the greatest gift of all? Or perhaps we won't be able to see anything at all of Christ in this situation at Christmas time.

In the church we tell the nativity story in every way we can at Christmas time - in song, in reading, in dressing the crib, in decorating the tree, and in drama. It is a beautiful story, and an essential ingredient for any Christmas celebration. This ingredient is not simply the icing on the cake - it is the cake itself.

Don't miss out, come and join us at a service or join us and The Bethel church for carols round the village (Saturday 17 December 5.00pm).

We would love to share the celebrations of Christmas with you.  
Every blessing

Pam

pencof.pam@btinternet.com

## ....AND FROM THE CHURCHWARDENS

**The Village Fete** may seem a distant memory to many of us now, but this is our first opportunity to thank publicly the Committee and all those who worked so hard to ensure its success. We are most grateful for All Saints' share of the £3,424 which was raised, which helps us with our responsibility for maintaining the 127 year old building in a good state of repair.

**Church heating** was mentioned as a problem area in the Autumn News. A repair was effected which we trust will see us through the winter, but the Church Council have decided that, in view of the age and fragility of the 127 year old system, they must act responsibly and begin to plan for its replacement. Consultations with the Church architect are now taking place, and not least to see how best to integrate this with the project for installing toilet and kitchen facilities which we long to have available.

**Community Service Teams** have once again been a great help in maintaining the grounds around the church building for which we thank them. They have, alas, suffered from cut-backs during the past season and have been unable to make the usual number of visits. As we go to press they are due to make their last visit of the year, and we know they will do their best to leave the churchyard looking good for the winter as in the past.

**Carol Singing** round the village is being planned for the evening of Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> December, commencing at 5.00 pm at the Village Hall. All Saints' and Bethel will be combining as last year for another joyous and melodious evening together. All are welcome to join us. Look out for notices about our route. Bring a torch.

Please see the Village Diary pages 15-18 for all services and activities planned to take place over the Christmas season at All Saints' Church

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and for your convenience we offer there a direct link to the Parish Council website too.

**Ron Attenborough 400361**

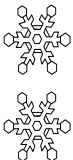
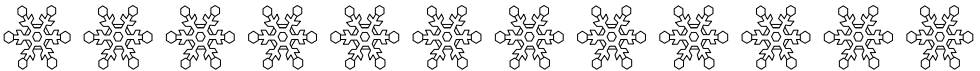
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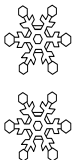
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*Ice-skating Rat by Ioan Williams*



*Carol Singing*



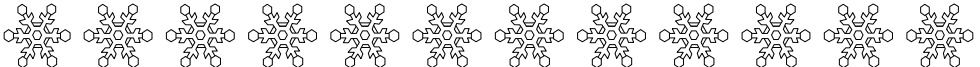
*Saturday 17th. December*



*Meet at the Village Hall at 5pm*



*Everyone welcome*



## STOCK & CHETWOOD CHILDREN CENTRES

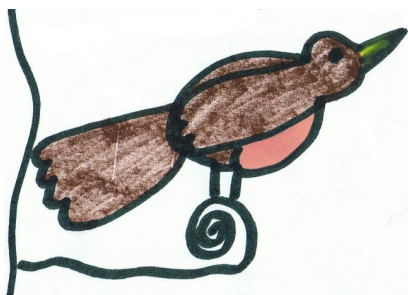
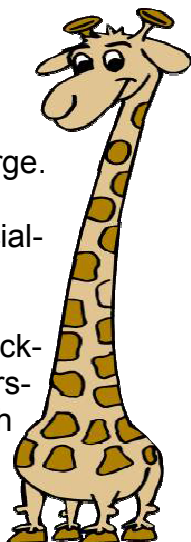
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We have regular play sessions at Stock Village Hall, Bicknacre Village Hall, Stock Library and Little Darwins Nursery as well as Chetwood Children Centre in South Woodham Ferrers.

Please phone us for more information & details of this term's timetable or visit our website, you can also "like us" on Facebook at 'Chetwood and Stock Children's Centre' to keep up to date with what is going on. We look forward to welcoming you to the Centre!

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*Robin by Georgia Whitworth*

# VILLAGE DIARY

[www.essexinfo.net/easthanningfieldparishcouncil/village-diary-2011/](http://www.essexinfo.net/easthanningfieldparishcouncil/village-diary-2011/)

The following dates were correct at time of going to press. Please refer to the Diary on the website for the most recently updated version.

## DECEMBER

Friday 2nd 5-7pm **CHRISTMAS BAZAAR** at East Hanningfield CE Primary School.

8pm **NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH MEETING** at Bethel Church. All residents welcome.

Sunday 4th 8.30am **HOLY COMMUNION** at All Saints' Church [www.easthanningfieldchurch.org](http://www.easthanningfieldchurch.org) followed by breakfast of coffee & croissants.

10am **CHRISTINGLE SERVICE** at [All Saints' Church](http://AllSaintsChurch) a service with oranges & candles, when we celebrate the

10.45am **SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel Ch

Wednesday 7th **GREEN BOX, PAPER SACK, CARDBOARD SACK & BAG FOR PLASTIC RECYCLING** (Next day for Bennetts Ave, Old Barn Ln, Southend Rd & Tilesworks Ln)

7.30pm **HANNA'S FIELD CHARITY MEETING** in the first floor meeting room at the Village Hall. Residents are welcome to attend but please contact the Secretary on 400797 if you have a matter that you wish to raise

Sat 10th 11am-1pm **CAFE BAR** at Bethel Church

Sun 11th 10.45am **SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel Ch

11am **HOLY COMMUNION** at All Saints' Church

Mon 12th 2.15pm **EDWARD BEAR CLUB** for under 5s at All Saints' Church.

Wed 14th 2.35-2.55pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Ashley Green.

3.15-4pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Village Hall car park.

Thursday 15th 8pm **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** in the first floor meeting room at the Village Hall.

- Friday 16th am **HANNA'S TOTS CHRISTMAS PARTY** at the Village Hall.
- Saturday 17th 10am-12pm **CHILDRENS CHRISTMAS CRAFT MORNING** at All Saints' Church.
- Saturday 17th 5pm **SING & PLAY CAROLS** around the village. Everyone welcome. Start at the Village Hall and finish at the Village Hall for mulled wine & mince pies.
- Sun 18th 11am **NINE LESSONS & CAROLS SERVICE** at All Saints Church.  
6pm **CAROL SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Wed 21st **GREEN BOX, PAPER SACK, CARDBOARD SACK &**
- Sat 24th 4pm **CAROLS, CRIB & TREE SERVICE** for children  
11.30pm **MIDNIGHT HOLY COMMUNION** without car-
- Sun 25th 10am **CHRISTMAS COMMUNION** with children in  
10am **CHRISTMAS MORNING SERVICE** at Bethel
- Wed 28th 2.35-2.55pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Ashley Green.  
3.15-4pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Village Hall car park.

## JANUARY 2012

- Sunday 1st 8.30am **HOLY COMMUNION** - the usual shortened form of service from the Book of Common Prayer at All Saints' Church..  
10am **ALL AGE SERVICE** celebration for New Year's Day at All Saints' Church.  
10.45am **SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel Church
- Friday 6th **Recycling Collection** (The following day for Bennetts Ave, Old Barn Lane, Southend Rd & Tilesworks Lane)
- Sunday 8th 10.45am **SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel Church



Sun 15th 10.45am **SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel Ch  
 Wednesday 18th **Recycling Collection** (The following day for Bennetts Ave, Old Barn Lane, Southend Rd & Tilesworks Lane)  
 Sun 22nd 10.45am **SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel Ch  
 Wednesday 25th 7.30pm **FETE COMMITTEE MEETING** everyone welcome.  
 Thursday 26th 8pm **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** in the first floor meeting room at the Village Hall. Please use the side entrance.  
 Sunday 29th 10.45am **SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel Church

**FEBRUARY**

Wednesday 1st **Recycling Collection** (The following day for Bennetts Ave, Old Barn Lane, Southend Rd & Tilesworks Lane)  
 Sunday 10.45am **SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel  
 Wednesday 8th 8pm **HANNA'S FIELD CHARITY MEETING** in the first floor meeting room at the Village Hall. All residents welcome, but if you have a matter you would like the Committee to consider please contact the Secre-  
 Sunday 10.45am **SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel  
 Wednesday 15th **Recycling Collection** (The following day for Bennetts Ave, Old Barn Lane, Southend Rd & Tilesworks Lane)  
 2pm **WOMENS INSTITUTE MEETING** in the WI Hall.  
 Sunday 10.45am **SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel  
 Thursday 23rd 8pm **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** in the first floor meeting room at the Village Hall. Please use the side  
 Sunday 26th 10.45am **SUNDAY FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel  
 Wednesday 29th **Recycling Collection** (The following day for Bennetts Ave, Old Barn Lane, Southend Rd & Tilesworks Lane)

## **MILLERS COFFEE MORNING**

Thank you to everyone who came to the recent Coffee Morning at Millers. We raised £486 for the British Heart Foundation.

Pam Kenton.

*Church Scene*  
By  
*Isobel Kirkwood*



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## **BETHEL CHURCH—That was a year that was**

What will be your lasting impression of the year 2011? As a nation we experienced a real sense of community during the Royal wedding. Yet it wasn't always happy times. Our fragile economy still continues and it appears that it will be a fair few years before we see any meaningful recovery.

But I think it was the August riots that took place across England that left us all with a range of emotions. Anger? Outrage? Despair? Particularly when we see how young some of the people were that got involved with looting and wanton vandalism.

The aftermath brought about a lot of finger pointing. The politicians blaming disenfranchised youngsters. Young people blaming the politicians. Etc, etc.

But whilst there is a lot of bad press towards the youth culture of today, it was heartening to hear the stories which three of the young people from Bethel Church brought back from their time spent in Latvia.

Mary-Anna, Shaun and Megan were part of a team that helped at a Christian youth event called 'One Way Camp' - just outside of the capital, Riga. The aim of the camp is evangelism and discipling and there are many opportunities to present the Christian Gospel message. The large meeting hall is transformed into 'God Zone' for the morning and evening sessions. In the morning there is a worship time plus a teaching session. In the evening there is a full programme of testimonies, singing, worship, quizzes, drama and dance.....and a lot of high jinx as this YouTube link will show you.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Li28FfUBans>

These same three young people were also part of a bigger Bethel youth team that worked so hard in Kenya – restoring an orphanage and playing with young children, many of whom have HIV/AIDS. Seeing these young people roll up their sleeves and get stuck in certainly makes you think that there are some great kids in this

country, and closer to home, East Hanningfield.

Who knows what 2012 will bring. We have the much anticipated Olympic Games to look forward to - and who knows, a Brit may even win Wimbledon.

But let's pray that as a nation, we will be able to restore some national pride and experience a time of peace and reconciliation.

As we approach Christmas, it is a time to consider a message of hope at a time of uncertainty. Please come and join us to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ. Also, look out for us as we team up with All Saints Church to sing carols around the village on Saturday 17 December.

Here are some of the events that we have on in the coming weeks:

Saturday 10 December 11.00am – 1.00pm Café Bar

Sunday 18 December 6.00pm Our evening carol service.

But we would also like to invite everybody to come and join us at our family worship service every Sunday at 10:45am. (10.00am Christmas Morning)

From all your friends at Bethel Church

*Angel by Anna Lewis*



## **HANNA'S FIELD CHARITY**

Thank you to those of you who came to enjoy the Village Fete on 10<sup>th</sup> Sept. Its success was only possible thanks to the hard work of the Fete Committee members, chaired by Jackie Feehan, with support from families and friends.

The major expenditure plans for the near future include the replacement of the main hall roof, which after 25 years is reaching the end of its natural life, insulation of the small hall and energy efficiencies throughout the building. Presently investigations are being made into the possible expansion of the entrance lobby and alterations to the village shop.

The Hanna's Field Charity Committee is always looking for new members to assist in the running of the Village Hall and sports facilities. I am pleased to report that we have recently recruited two new members with the return of Jenny Ash from South Wales and the arrival of Malcolm Edward but we are looking for more. If you would like to find out more about the Charity please contact me or any committee member. The Charity's AGM will take place in April 2012 when a new committee will be elected. East Hanningfield residents are particularly welcome to both come to the AGM and to stand for election to the committee.

We are pleased to welcome two new activities to the Hall. In September, Zumba classes started on Friday evenings and Sunday mornings, and in October a Rainbows unit was set up.

Hiring rates are under review, and the new rates will apply from January 2012. The Hall, field and sports courts/tennis court are available to book, with discounted rates for villagers. Please call Sharon on 400965.

Colin Warren  
Chairman  
401050 [cwarren132@aol.com](mailto:cwarren132@aol.com)

# 1ST EAST HANNINGFIELD RAINBOWS

A new Rainbow unit opened in October. Rainbows are part of Girl Guiding UK. We have girls aged 5 to 7 years who play games, sing songs and do activities. We meet once a week during term time for one hour.

If you would like to put your daughter's name on our waiting list or if you would like to volunteer as an adult leader please contact me.

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## VILLAGE FETE 2011

The Met Office website proved to be a very accurate in forecasting a shower for around 3.30pm on 10<sup>th</sup> September this year! But we were ready for it – Ali Barmy took Punch and Judy inside, and only a few of the many villagers who had come to this year's fete went home. Despite the current difficult economic situation, we managed to raise just over £3400 – which will be shared between Hanna's Field Charity and All Saints' Church. Grateful thanks are due to all of you who came and spent your hard-earned cash; to those who ran stalls; to those who contributed in a multitude of ways. I would like to acknowledge the invaluable support of our principal sponsors- J Gard & Sons, David Chennells & Co, Carol Phillips at Intercounty, Paul Edwards and Chelmer Site Investigations and Hanningfield Utilities. The 5-a-side football is a key part of the fete, and we are grateful to Barry Hearn with Match Sport Ltd for his generous contribution to the tournament. Chelmsford 6<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> Cubs triumphed this year, in the under 11s and under10s respectively.

There are lots of photos of the fete on the village website (<http://essexinfo.net/easthanningfieldparishcouncil>), showing some of the highlights of the afternoon, which included Les Draper's skilful gun-dogs and Karima's Belly Dancers, who added plenty of glamour to the event's programme. This year, we ran a competition for children to make a miniature garden, and though the number of entries was small, the standard was high.

If you would like to get involved in organising next year's fete, please come to a meeting on 25<sup>th</sup> January 2012 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall meeting room. There will be a general discussion of ideas, after which the planning will start in earnest. It would be great to have some new suggestions about how to take the fete forward.

Jackie Feehan and the 2011 fete committee  
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# NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



## Local Crime update:

1st October a Quad bike/bikes reported causing a nuisance on the Tie (it is a criminal offence to park or ride any vehicle or pedal bike on the Tye!).

Around 20<sup>th</sup> Oct a resident reported seeing two lads of about 14 or 15 age using a laser pen outside the Windmill Pub. It may have been innocent but there have been reports of people using these devices to shine a beam into the eyes of drivers.

Night of Sat 29<sup>th</sup> a Blue Porsche 911 Carrera, registration PAT 80X, stolen from Village Hall Car park.

If you have any information on these incidents please call Essex Police or me (Tel nos below).

**It's not all bad news though!** I received an email from a resident of Old Church Road mentioning the fact that two young lads knocked on his door after dark one night to warn him that he had left his garage door open and "Did he know"? It could have been an expensive mistake but thanks to their thoughtful action nothing was taken. It brings back your faith in human nature: Neighbourhood Watch is about looking after your neighbours. Whoever you are, a very big thank-you to the two lads concerned!

**Recognising reputable traders:** There have been regular warnings from NhW about bogus callers, but how do we recognise reputable traders? You can find out on the East Hanningfield NhW website. The indicators of how to recognise a reputable trader are: they present a valid personal identification and identify who they represent—they make it clear from the outset if they are selling something—they provide written information on cooling off periods and cancellation rights—they do not use pressure to sell goods or services- they do not expect an on-the-spot decision—they leave as soon as they are asked to do so. If you have any concerns about a Company and its product you can contact Consumer Di-



rect on 08454 040506.

**Lights On!** With the dark evenings, it's time to think about not leaving "tell tale" signs that your home is empty and vulnerable. The art of illusion is to make it look as though someone is home. Provide that first impression to the opportunist burglar that this house is occupied! For the illusion use table lamps on timers (don't use energy saving bulbs with digital timers: it shortens the life of the bulb) or use a "dusk till dawn" sensor (bulbs are available with a built in sensor), a radio on a talking programme, it all helps. You can even buy a device now called "Fake TV" that mimics the light from a TV. And as we approach Christmas, NhW will again receive police reports of burglaries where the family presents, often conveniently left on display around the Christmas tree, have been stolen. Please keep them safe and out of sight.

**How to Report Incidents or Suspicious Activity to the Police.**

Call 999 if a crime is in progress or a vehicle or person is acting suspiciously (you won't be wasting Police time). For non urgent incidents dial the new short code 101 (this replaces the old Essex Police 0300 333 44444 number). You can give information anonymously to Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

**East Hanningfield NhW Meetings:** The next meeting will be at 8pm on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December at The Bethel Church (many thanks to Peter and Emma Cockrell for the kind offer to host meeting). All residents are welcome to attend and we'll celebrate Christmas with mince pies etc. It's usually attended by a police officer. If you have an issue or want to know more about NhW, or you have ideas about how to reduce local crime, come along to the meeting or call me!

**East Hanningfield NhW E-mail Alerts & Contacts:** If you want to receive e-mailed NhW crime alerts & information on local crime statistics, or find out about your local NhW please e-mail or call me.

**Geoff Dickman, 403175/ 07968-112179**  
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## PRESCHOOL

The Preschool has been busy since we returned in September. We welcomed back old and new children. The children have been busy learning about healthcare/emergency professionals, which included a visit from the fire service, who came to show the children the workings of their fire engine, fun had by all, so a big thank you to Great Bad-dow fire station for their time.

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We would like to share our heartfelt thanks to the following companies/clubs. The Lions club in South Woodham Ferrers kindly donated an easel. NFR Vehicle recovery, donated 2 rest beds which will benefit our younger children, Martin Gard for providing the shelving for the preschool and Hannah's Tots. We were also very fortunate to receive a new waterproof camera from the preschool learning alliance, this has allowed us to take much better pictures of children's on going developments so we can share this with their parents. A very big thank you to all, we very much appreciate the support given by local businesses to help us improve our facilities. If you are a small business and would like to contribute to our preschool, then please contact us.

The Biggest news that we wish to share is our new website , so log on and take a look. We would like to thank Alan Mitchell who is a parent of the preschool for all his hard work in setting this up.

Our next fundraising event is on the 14 Dec 2011, curry/quiz £6.95 (7-8pm) or £1 per person, Quiz commences 9pm. Be great to see you there & join in the Christmas spirit, we will also run a raffle.

Christmas wishes to you for 2011 and if you are interested in your child attending the preschool, as spaces are available so please visit our website or call 07732951613 during session hours, Mon-

day-Thursday,915-12.15. We look forward to hearing from you.

Francesca Chapman  
Secretary

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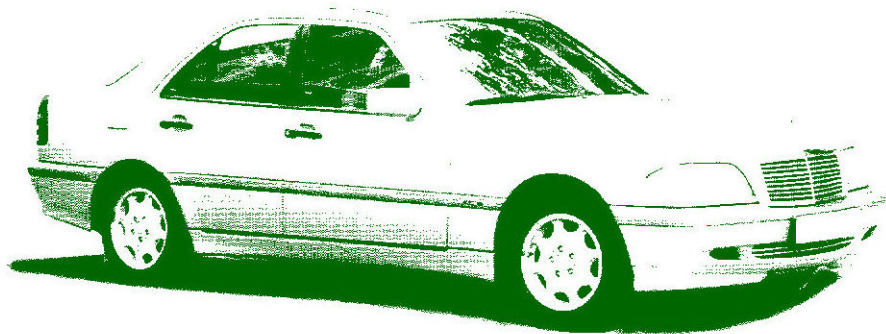


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## **EAST HANNINGFIELD W I NEWS**

Well, another year is coming to a close. We've been busy as usual with several functions including Spring and Autumn lunches, Strawberry Tea and our "Spud & Pud", all very good fund raisers and of course we had a very good Charity Coffee Morning. We have gained several new members which are delighted about. A new programme for 2012 is in place, so do come along and see what we are about. We meet mostly on the 3<sup>rd</sup>. Wednesday of the month at 2pm in our Hall with slight changes in January, August and December.

As for me, at our Annual Meeting in November I am hanging up my hat. After 11 years at the helm it's time to hand over to someone else who I'm sure will bring fresh ideas.

Best Wishes to you all for a Happy Christmas and Healthy New Year.

Lilian Crace

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## HANNA'S TOTS

Hanna's Tots celebrated Halloween this year with the children dressing up as witches, pumpkins and wizards, they had a great time bouncing on the bouncy castle and playing with Percy the jumbo party spider.

We have some new dates for your diaries....

**2<sup>nd</sup> December**, Hanna's Tots and Pre-school will be doing a lucky dip, and Christmas cookie decorating at the School Christmas Fete.

"Jingle bells jingle bells jingle all the way!"

To get into the spirit of Christmas, Tots will be having a **Christmas party** on **Friday 16<sup>th</sup> December**; Santa will be sending one of his elves along to join in with the fun! We will have music, games and a lucky dip for a small donation of £1.

The upcoming health visitor dates will be placed on the village hall notice board. Please come along if you would like to have your child weighed or speak about any issues you may have. You do not need to be a regular to come along.

**We will be closed on 23<sup>rd</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> December**

Thanks again to those who stay behind to help tidy up ☺

See you Friday!

Savannah Shankster 01245 400979

*Snowman by Alex Aldridge*



# *Christmas Cover Competition Runners Up*



*Class 1  
Dion Olivia Dobinson*



*Class 2  
Brooklyn Tracey*



*Class 3  
Lucy Woodroff*



*Class 4  
Anni Mahr*