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FROM THE ACTING EDITOR

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The **Play in the Park** sessions during the Easter school break were very well attended, and there will be two more sessions during the Summer holiday. Both will be on **Tuesday** mornings from **10am to 12 noon**. The dates are **5th & 19th August**. Play in the Park is aimed at 6-11 year olds. As before, younger children may attend but must be accompanied by an adult carer at all times. Again, both halls have been booked, so even if the weather is wet there will be plenty of space for all the activities.

Thank you to all those who turned out on a rather damp Saturday morning in May for the Village Tidy. It was nice to see some younger members of the community join in as well. A trailer load of rubbish was collected in about an hour and a half, so it should have made a noticeable difference to the appearance of the village. I noticed fewer spirit bottles dumped around the place than in previous years: I suppose that is the recession having an impact!

Those of you who have been campaigning for improved broadband capacity will wish to see the new website www.superfastessex.org , but will probably be disappointed. Unfortunately, the latest news is that for the village area, the Superfast Essex Programme will ensure that by summer 2016 available download speeds in this area will be at least 2Mbps. There are no plans to deploy fibre.

In view of the above it might be indelicate to mention PC's website, especially as our local slow broadband means you have to be patient to wait for some of the documents to open, but there is a large amount of information on the site, which it would be a pity to miss. There are study resources which include old photos and articles about parish history. There are all past copies of East Hanningfield News going back to Autumn 2004, and then there are the first five editions starting from Summer 1974. There are PC Minutes from May 2004 forward, audited accounts from the financial year 2005-6 onwards, Annual Reports from 2005-6 up to the present and the last two years of Agen-

das. There are also dedicated sections to Neighbourhood Watch and the Village Hall, which includes photos from HFC's fundraising events, the Fete and Art Exhibition. Have a look to see if you have been recorded for posterity! Amongst all the other items the most popular is probably the Village Diary, which for the last few editions of EH News has been reproduced in the centre pages, but the most up-to-date version will always be on the website.

Negotiations between PC and the City Council concerning the proposed transfer of the Catherine Close play area to PC have proved more complicated than anticipated. We overcome one difficulty only to find that another has popped up, seemingly out of nowhere, which has to be tackled. The proposed transfer was advertised in the Chronicle, to see if there would be any objections, and as far as I am aware none were forthcoming, so that part of the process has passed without incident. Hopefully, I shall be able to announce that it has all finally gone through in the next EH News.

You might have heard of Section 106 monies or the Community Infrastructure Levy, or even "the roof tax". These are payments by a developer to the local authority to cover infrastructure such as roads and so on. A small proportion comes to PC and so far it has been solely for spending on open space/recreation projects. The first of it will be used shortly as a major contribution to the cost of resurfacing the path to the school back gate. Other items identified for future spending are levelling and reseeding the football pitches, extending the sports wall, upgrading the sports courts, reinforcing the grass beside the car park so that it can safely be used as overflow parking and relaying the Tye path.

PC is presently investigating what would be a suitable construction for a replacement path on the Tye. As the cost will be high whatever type of path is chosen, there will probably be an experimental length at the point where it is most needed, which is in front of the church where it was under water several times over the winter.

Although there has not been an article from the Village Design Group this time, they are still active and working on the results of the questionnaire. At the time of writing the online questionnaire was still active, but not for much longer, so if you haven't already done so, and you are interested in the future of the parish you had better fill it in quickly. You can get to it from the home page of PC's website.

Forthcoming PC Meetings are on 26th. June, 31st. July & 28th. August at 8pm in the Village Hall, and the Agenda will be published at least three clear days beforehand on the noticeboards and the website. They are always open to the public.

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FROM REV'D SUSAN

In the Spring edition of East Hanningfield News I explained that in the period up to Easter 2014 we would be asking the congregation and others that know All Saints' as their church, to help with some reflection and discussions about the future of our village church.

I would like to thank the very many people who contributed their views on what, for them, are the most important aspects of church going into the future. Our Parochial Church Council used these to inform their conclusions on the best way forward for us and I would like to share with you the main points that were presented to our annual church meeting which took place on 29 April.

Links with other parishes—You may be aware that my appointment as Priest-in-Charge at All Saints' is for a relatively short period and that I expect to be moving on in mid 2015. Due to constraints on available clergy there is little chance that, after this date, All Saints' will have its own vicar, but I hope it will have its own local leadership team including a Focal Minister (who will be licensed by the diocese but will be unlikely to be ordained).

Our consultations demonstrated an aspiration for All Saints' to continue as a single entity i.e. not in close partnership with other parishes, although we will need to work closely with other parishes in our area and may well be under the oversight of another nearby church. It is therefore important for us to decide what our church requires as a local leadership team and whether we have the resources and skills to form such a team and to sustain it in the future. We are considering this as a matter of priority.

Pastoral and community support including the school—Our consultations revealed the importance that contributors place on maintaining good connections with the school and pre-school; fulfilling a pastoral role in reaching out to elderly people and the sick or bereaved; working with Hanna's Field charity and with the Bethel

church; and continuing to make All Saints' a welcoming place to worship. We plan to review how we currently meet these requirements by December 2014, we will set out how we would expect each 'role' could be carried out in the future – particularly when we have no dedicated priest-in-charge.

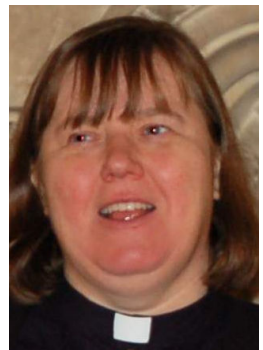
Patterns of worship—By Advent 2014 we plan to have reviewed the current liturgical texts and consider re-ordering our current Sunday worship to provide a mix of traditional liturgy with some more modern approaches to worship, perhaps including a change of time on some Sundays to earlier or later in the day. It is unlikely going forward that there will continue to be a service of Holy Communion every Sunday.

Church Bells—We plan to apply for grants & fundraise to repair & refurbish the existing bells and continue with the recorded bells currently in use until we have the original bells ringing once again. Our grateful thanks go to Colin Warren for his ingenuity, technical skills and generosity in providing us with the temporary arrangements.

Building changes i.e. toilet, kitchen, heating—We have decided that, until the future of our church is more certain, the results of the feasibility study we have carried out are not pursued at this stage but we will review this decision annually. However should the heating system fail at any point in the future, our decision does not preclude this being dealt with as an essential repair or replacement.

The future is unknown to us at present and you will see from all of the above that we have more work to do to determine our way forward. We continue to value your views as we consider further the future of our church building and understand what God is calling us to be as a community of believers. With love and prayers

Rev'd Susan Iskander
Priest-in-Charge



.....AND FROM THE CHURCHWARDEN

The Annual Elections on 29th April left the Parochial Church Council virtually unchanged:

John Chadwick, Sue Edward (Secretary), Jackie Feehan, Gil Gordon, Stan Gordon, & Martin Harcourt-Williams, with Colin Warren as our Deanery Representative and ex-officio PCC member... plus myself as sole Churchwarden once again. I should have retired after completing six years, but agreed to serve one more year to see things through to the end of the present parish arrangements. Fortunately, Sandra Robinson was willing to continue to assist me, otherwise this would not have been possible.

The Annual Meeting enjoyed the biggest attendance for many a long year. This was a great encouragement and will help to give purpose to the coming PCC discussions on the changes ahead.

Church building external repair work, costing some £12,000, will be going ahead in the Autumn of 2014, but the Hon. Treasurer's Report on the 2013 finances generally, made it clear that the PCC will need to re-visit the issue of church giving in the coming months.

The 'TRIO' campaign ("The Responsibility Is Ours"), was some 8 years ago when All Saints' finances were greatly improved by promises of planned regular giving from those concerned that the village church should continue. Inevitably, during the intervening years, inflation has been steadily undermining that improvement, and of course there are always those natural losses over time which need replacing. So we have to remind ourselves again now that "***The Responsibility is STILL Ours!***"

The Annual Spring Clean of the church was a great occasion and our grateful thanks to all those who responded to the invitation to come and join in. The results were quite outstanding.

The Monthly Information Leaflet, which has been regularly deliv-

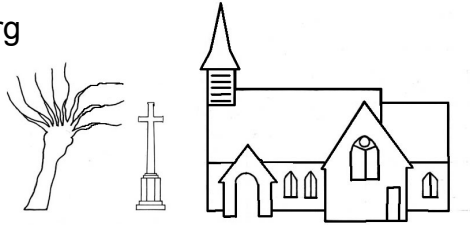
ered to a number of you over the past six years, sadly can no longer be sustained. Instead, we are increasing the information available on our website, and a list of each month's services is also being displayed on the church notice board for those who prefer walking to surfing. Otherwise, please refer to the Village Diary in this edition of East Hanningfield News for current information on future services/ events.

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Book Sale and Coffee Morning



**Saturday
14th June
10:00 to 12:30
1st Floor Meeting
Room
Village Hall**

In aid of Hanna's Field Charity & All Saints Church



EAST HANNINGFIELD W.I

I think you will agree after such a dreadfully wet winter it is lovely to see sunshine and the stunning colour of so many flowers.



In April we attended our Annual Spring Group meeting. This is jointly held each year with South Hanningfield W.I and three others in the Woodham area. We select a charity and all the W.I's are encouraged to make articles either for sale or for a specific purpose. This year we adopted a brand new dog's home charity. Our brief was to supply them with towels, dog coats knitted or sewn and bedding mats to bring a little comfort to animals that are stressed. I have never seen so many magnificent dog coats of all sizes. The display was staggering. The styles were an absolute knock-out. We had a super supper and were entertained by a lovely lady presenting the life and works of Joyce Grenfell, (we were given her famous 'George –don't do that' monologue accompanied by much laughter). Thank you to kind neighbours who allowed me to measure their pooches in order to make some interesting and certainly unique attire for these four legged friends. A small quantity of these will be available on the W.I Stall at the Village Fete on the 13th September.

Our last meeting was our Annual Meeting, in May when we were to decide if we wished to adopt and support the Women's Institutes Resolution for the year. This year the subject is Organ Donation. It is a very personal subject with strong views both for and against, so I expected this meeting to be lively. We also elected our new President and committee for the next 12 months. To add a little comfort to the meeting we all shared a plate of food to have with our welcome cup of tea or coffee.

On June 25th we are holding our Annual Strawberry Tea. This has become one of the most popular events on our calendar. We are

getting close to having to hold a ballot for places. It is a magnificent feast of beautiful homemade scones, strawberry jam and cream as well as bowls of strawberries and cream. It is no place for diets but you do feel good after.

We have a lady, Ann White coming to our July meeting to show us how we can arrange our bargain supermarket flowers into a stunning arrangement. Hopefully my small purchases will benefit greatly from this meeting. Work is also underway to fill our Village Fete Stall with new and inventive items for your consideration together with of course our Jam, pickles and chutney stall. We hope to have something for everyone in September.

All our meetings are listed in the Village Diary in the centre of this magazine. If you are free and would like to come and see what we are all about you will be very welcome and hopefully have an enjoyable afternoon. We are a chatty lot so do come along.

Flora Virgoe
President.

ESSEX COALITION OF DISABLED PEOPLE NEW VOLUNTEERS urgently NEEDED.

ecdp, with the support of our volunteers, **encourage disabled people** to become less isolated and become more involved in their local communities. Many disabled people, with volunteer support, have grown in confidence and made new friends. We greatly appreciate all the time and skills our trained volunteers give to the scheme. We would not be able to operate without them.

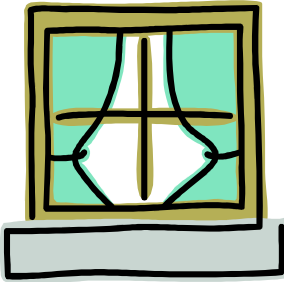
If you would like to find out more about **ecd**p, or our initial training course for new volunteers on June 12th, contact Cheryl, Laura or Cindy ☎ 392 310 or ✉ insight@ecd.org.uk

All travel expenses paid & lunch is provided on the training course.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

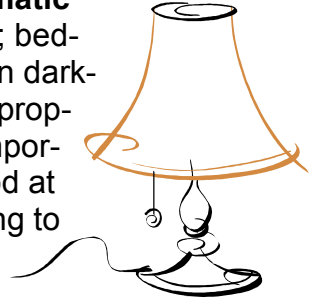
Its Just Common Sense.....

A few simple ideas to help deter burglars!



Always leave **Curtains** open during the day! (Leaving curtain closed shows **'No One At Home'**)

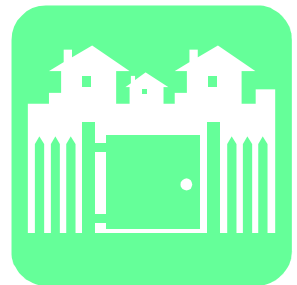
Put lamps on an **automatic timer** (hallway; lounge; bedroom) to come on when darkness falls so that your property does not look unoccupied, especially important if you are away on holiday, but also good at other times! These can be adjusted according to the time of year when dusk sets in.



Going out? especially during the summer don't forget to close and secure all windows, patio doors etc. **Going away?** Make sure your neighbours are aware and if possible leave a car on your drive or ask a neighbour to park on your drive (this makes it look as though you are in).

Lock side entrance access (burglars usually enter via rear) Lock shed and garage doors.

If you would like to receive reports of incidents or local NhW crime alerts please call or e-mail the details below, (paper copies can be provided if you don't have e mail).



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VILLAGE DIARY JUNE—AUGUST

<http://www.essexinfo.net/easthanningfieldparishcouncil/village-diary-2014/>

JUNE

- Sun 1 8.30am **HOLY COMMUNION** (BCP) at All Saints' Church
10am **ALL AGE SERVICE** followed by refreshments at All Saints' Church
10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Tue 3 10.30am **LADIES MEETING** at Bethel Church.
- Thu 5 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church
- Fri 6 9.30-11am **[HEALTH VISITOR](#) CLINIC** at Village Hall.
- Sun 8 10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
11am **WHIT SUNDAY HOLY COMMUNION** at All Saints' Ch
- Tue 10 10.30am **LADIES MEETING** at Bethel Church.
- Wed 11 2pm **WI MEETING** in the WI Hall.
4.15-5.15pm **ALL SAINTS' CHILDRENS CHURCH CLUB**
in the School Hall
- Thu 12 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church
- Fri 13 **SCHOOL SUMMER FETE**
- Sat 14 10am-12.30pm **BOOK SALE & COFFEE MORNING** in the
1st floor meeting room at the Village Hall.
11am-1pm **CAFE BAR** at Bethel Church
- Sun 15 10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
11am **TRINITY HOLY COMMUNION** at All Saints' Church
- Tue 17 10.30am **LADIES MEETING** at Bethel Church.
- Thu 19 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church
- Fri 20 9.30-11am **[HEALTH VISITOR](#)** at Hanna's Tots, Village Hall.
- Sun 22 10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
11am **HOLY COMMUNION** at All Saints' Church
- Tue 24 10.30am **COFFEE MORNING** at Bethel Church.
- Wed 25 **WI STRAWBERRY TEA**
4.15-5.15pm **ALL SAINTS' CHILDRENS CHURCH CLUB**
in the School Hall

Thu 26 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church
8pm **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** in the first floor Meeting room at the Village Hall. Please use the side door.

Sun 29 10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
11am **HOLY COMMUNION** at All Saints' Church

JULY

Tue 1 10.30am **LADIES MEETING** at Bethel Church.

Thur 3 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church

Sat 5 10am-6pm **ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION & SALE** at the Village Hall. Entry of £1.50 includes refreshments. Accompanied children have free entry.

Sun 6 8.30am **HOLY COMMUNION** (BCP) at All Saints' Church
10am **ALL AGE SERVICE** followed by refreshments at All Saints' Church
10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church

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Thu 17 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church

Fri 18 9.30-11.30am **HEALTH VISITOR** at Hanna's Tots, V' Hall.

Sun 20 10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
11am **HOLY COMMUNION** at All Saints' Church

- Tue 22 10.30am **LADIES MEETING** at Bethel Church.
- Thu 24 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church
- Fri 25 9.30-11am **HEALTH VISITOR CLINIC** at Village Hall.
- Sun 27 10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
11am **HOLY COMMUNION** at All Saints' Church
- Tue 29 10.30am **COFFEE MORNING** at Bethel Church.
- Wed 30 8pm **NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH MEETING** in the Bethel Church Meeting Room.
- Thu 31 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church
8pm **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** in the first floor Meeting

AUGUST

- Sun 3 8.30am **HOLY COMMUNION** (BCP) at All Saints' Church
10am **ALL AGE SERVICE** followed by refreshments at All Saints' Church
10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Tue 5 10am-12noon **PLAY IN THE PARK** for ages 6-11 years. Younger children may attend but must be accompanied by an adult carer at all times. Activities include arts and crafts and sports.
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- Thu 21 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church
- Fri 22 9.30-11am **HEALTH VISITOR CLINIC** at East Hanningfield Village Hall.
- Sun 24 10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
11am **HOLY COMMUNION** at All Saints' Church
- Tue 26 10.30am **COFFEE MORNING** at Bethel Church.
- Thu 28 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church
8pm **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** in the first floor Meeting Room
- Sun 31 11am **HOLY COMMUNION** at All Saints' Church



HEART START

I was fortunate to attend a course organised by Neighbourhood watch called Heartstart. It was run by First Responders and a paramedic was also in attendance.

It was one of those things on my "to do list" so when Geoff from the Neighbourhood Watch team came up with the idea I had to go. (a couple of hours on an otherwise boring Wednesday evening and right on the doorstep) it was a no brainer!

I went with my 18 yr old daughter and we both found it incredibly informative. The responders went through a series of scenarios and after each one were enacted on each other with the responders encouraging and advising us to make the right responses which helped us to remember.

At the end we received a certificate, a card with a checklist to carry with us and a booklet setting out the life support skills we had learnt. I now feel that if ever I am unlucky enough to find someone collapsed or unconscious that they will be pleased I have done this course and now could potentially buy them some time until a paramedic could arrive rather than standing there feeling guilty not knowing where to start.

The First responders do not charge for these courses but are grateful for any donations. So if like me it's on your to do list, watch out for the next course, bring a donation and do it!

You never know you might help to save someone's life or at least give them a chance.

Sue Hammond

Neighbourhood Watch was so impressed by the feedback from the course they wonder whether anyone else would like to attend a similar event in the Village Hall. If you are interested please contact

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BETHEL CHURCH— STRAIGHT DOWN THE MIDDLE

I came across this 'Temporary Rules' from Richmond Golf Club, which was published in 1940 during WWII.

Players are asked to collect Bomb and Shrapnel splinters to save these causing damage to Mowing Machines.

In Competitions, during gunfire or while bombs are falling, players must take cover without penalty for ceasing play.

Shrapnel and/or bomb splinters on the Fairways, or in Bunkers within a club's length of a ball, may be moved without penalty, and no penalty shall be incurred if a ball is thereby caused to move accidentally.

A ball moved by enemy action may be replaced, or if lost or destroyed, a ball may be dropped not nearer the hole without penalty.

A ball lying in a crater may be lifted and dropped not nearer the hole, preserving the line to the hole, without penalty.

A player whose stroke is affected by the simultaneous explosion of a bomb, may play another ball from the same place. Penalty one stroke.

I do enjoy a round of golf, although I have to confess, I'm not very good at it. But I imagine playing golf at Richmond Golf Club in the 1940s would have been even more challenging.

It's a bit like life. We put up with things because that's the way things are. Yet, when reading the Bible, it becomes clear that this life we are given is also very temporal. In the book of James, life is described as a vapor.

So how should this temporal life change the way we live it?

With an eternal perspective, the fading glory of this life need not be a source of discouragement. If we place our eternal destiny into God's hands by trusting the Lord Jesus as our saviour, we can certainly trust him through the difficulties of our earthly sojourn. The same Apostle Peter, who said our bodies are like falling flowers and withering grass, also wrote that we are but pilgrims passing through this life (1 Peter 2:11).

Our real home is in heaven where Jesus has 'a place prepared for us'. If we approach life with the view that every day is a gift from God rather than an entitlement, the length of our sojourn won't be an issue, and we will be able to cope with the odd pieces of shrapnel that come our way too.

Thanks for reading.

Please come and join us at any one of our regular meetings listed in the Village diary. We'd love to see you.

Roydon Hearne




HANNA'S TOTS

We are the local toddler group in the village. We are for families with children 0 to 5 years old. We meet in the village hall on Friday mornings 9:30 - 11:30 for a small fee of £2 per family.

The children's centre and a health visitor will be joining us every 2nd and 4th Friday of the month.

Hope to see you soon

Jenny
 403245



PRESCHOOL

Thank you to everyone who came along and supported the Ladies Pamper Evening, the Cash for Clothes and the Table Top Sale. We would like to extend our thanks to Savannah Shankster for organising the Pamper Night with Committee members and staff. Thanks to all the hard work, support and contributions over £1000 has been raised. Some of this money will go towards a canopy for our lovely new outside area.

East Hanningfield
Pre-School



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Our new area is much enjoyed by all the children as well as the staff and our thanks go to ADS Mobile Tyres for their donation of some tyres, a few of which will be used for planting some seeds. Blackwater Baling also generously donated an old tractor tyre which is much loved by the children. Unfortunately, some of the older children in the village have been borrowing this tyre when we are closed. We are worried that they will not only damage our new fence but also harm themselves. It is such a shame after all the years we have spent to raise the funds for this outside area for the benefit of the children who attend the pre-school.

At Easter time the children enjoyed an Easter Egg Hunt & an Easter Bonnet competition and the older children visited the village church and made crosses. Some of the bonnets can be seen in the photo.



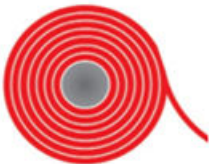
This term the Pre-school children are learning all about insects and wildlife in the garden and we are hoping to hatch our caterpillars into Painted Lady Butterflies and then watch them fly away.

We are currently collecting the Active Kids vouchers from Sainsburys so if you have any please bring them into pre-school and post them in the box by the door.

Many of our children will be moving onto various local primary schools at the end of this term. We wish them well but they will be missed by us all.

The pre-school is open five morning a week. If you would like to find out more about the Pre-school or would like to go on the waiting list please look at our website at www.easthanningfieldpreschool.org.uk or contact us on 07732951613 or email us at eph1@live.co.uk.

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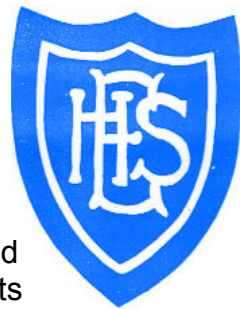
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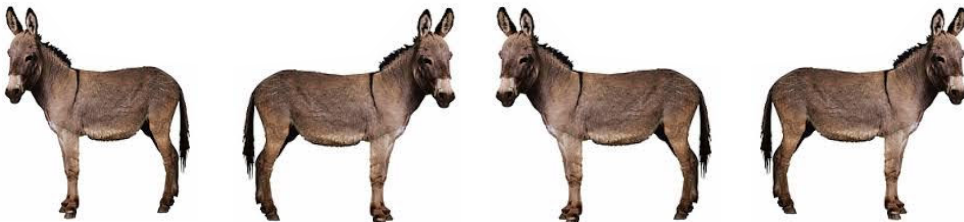
Another term is flying past and we look forward to the summer weather and the opportunity to do more outside learning. This half term has seen class 3 visiting Weald Country Park, they were pond dipping, bug exploring and finding out about habitats on their day out.

Class 1 & 2 have been having Gruffalo lunches with their parents. They have been eating Gruffalo Pizza, scrambled snake tomato whirl pasta and Gruffalo crumble with owl ice cream or wart surprise (green & purple grape fruit salad). All hand cooked by our school kitchen staff. Lots of fun was had by all and the children performed their Gruffalo song to parents at our parent Celebration assembly.

Class 4 are looking forward to a trip to Danbury Outdoor centre next half term, where they will be mountain biking, archery and climbing. The Year 6 will also be learning to ride their bicycles sensibly through a bikeability programme they are taking part in. Year 6 will make their transition visits to their new schools and Year 5 has a taster day at Sandon School coming up too.

We look forward to seeing you all at our **Summer Fair** on Friday **13th June** from **4.30pm until 6.30pm**. There will be a range of stalls as well as Donkeys, inflateables and a Pimms tent for your enjoyment.

Miss Kerry Collins



HANNA'S FIELD CHARITY

I assume lack of attendance by residents at the Charity's recent AGM was an indication that all parishioners, who are the beneficiaries of the Charity, are happy with the work being done by the Charity's trustees on their behalf. I have included the report I presented at the AGM as my article for this edition of the News.

The Charity has a lot of equipment which can be used if you hire the hall. Did you know we have table tennis tables, half size snooker tables, as well as the badminton posts and nets which are used on a regular basis? To make a hall or field booking please call Dan or Jessica on 400965

Chairman's report to the 2014 AGM

This year's AGM falls on St George's day which has resulted in a number of apologies for non attendance, however, I am pleased to report on another successful year for the Charity. During the last year we finished the refurbishment of the small hall with the installation of the fully insulated dividing doors between the small and large halls resulting in a bright warm environment for our principal weekday hirer of the small hall – Preschool. In addition we have authorised and overseen the creation of a secure safe playground at the rear of the hall with the bulk of the fundraising being achieved by the Preschool.

The workload of the Charity has again been borne by very few for the gain of the many villagers and organisations who use the facilities at the Village Hall and sports field. No officers or committee members receive any remuneration for their hard work; they are all volunteers and all should be thanked for their efforts on behalf of the village. It was very sad that during the year Iris Evan's lost her battle with cancer. We are in discussion with her family over a fitting permanent memorial to Iris. Her massive contribution to the Charity is very sadly

missed.

It is good that the Village Shop and Post Office remains in the village. If we are to keep them here it is essential that we all use the facility and support Ash.

The Annual Art Show continued as a major fund raising event exhibiting works from many local artists. The Village Fete, a joint venture with All Saints Church, was again successful. We are continuing this year without a fete chairman running the event by committee. It was good that the fete was also supported by several of our local businesses and we are very grateful for their sponsorship. We have continued to run quarterly Book & Coffee Sales on Saturday mornings in the upstairs committee room. These regular events have proved to be popular and successful and we have added more shelving and storage in the upstairs loft area to expand the number of books we are able to store and display.

We are considering the priorities for developing and maintaining the facilities at the Hall and field. There are a number of projects which we would like to undertake and they are all dependent on our successful application for grants to fund each project.

These projects include:

- Replacing the hall roof which is 25 years old and leaking
- Extending the main car park with a “green” overflow car park
- Extending the entrance lobby and village shop
- Rebuilding the mountain bike mounds
- Ploughing, levelling and reseeding the football pitches
- Resurfacing the sports courts
- Extending the sports wall

Completing a trim trail around the field to include skate board ramps

Creating a Community Suite above the small hall

Installing CCTV

Have you considered joining the committee? We would welcome new members to assist in the Charity's future development.

More information about the Charity can be found on our website which is part of the Parish Council website <http://www.essexinfo.net/easthanningfieldparishcouncil>

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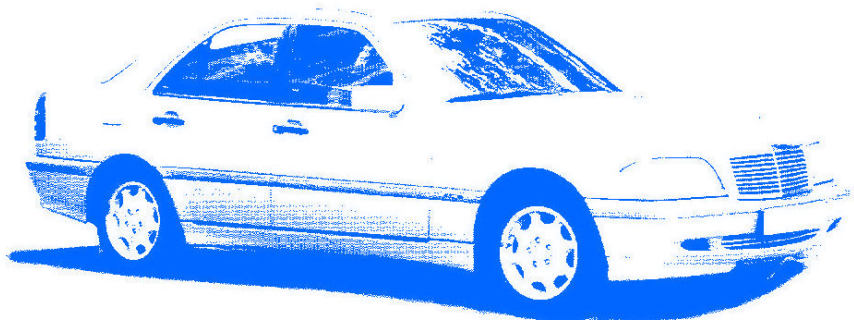


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ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION AND SALE

The Exhibition and Sale is on Saturday 5th July 10.00am until 6.00pm in the Village Hall.

It is a fund raising event for the Village Hall and field facilities. Entry for children is free & adults £1.50 which includes refreshment. Please come to see the exhibition and support your village.

A Wine and Cheese Preview on the evening of Friday 4th is by invitation to all previous purchasers (if we have their contact details) and all who have been active supporters of the village fundraising events. If we have somehow missed you out then our apologies and I ask you to give me a ring and I can tell you more.

The exhibition has an extremely good standard of art and photography contributed by artists from the region. Last year we had over 500 exhibits from 90 artists. Also, hopefully, there will be pottery, metalwork, woodwork and fabric crafts as well as a wide range of art work. All these will be displayed on our lovely new stands made for us courtesy of Martyn Gard's timber firm.

We are also always grateful for help in setting up the exhibition both with the stands, with receiving and numbering the paintings and hanging them. It takes an army of village helpers to get this ready on the Thursday and Friday of the event. If you want to help us just contact the number below. Just an hour of your time helps make light work of it and it is a good way of getting to know your neighbours. Thanks in anticipation to all the existing team.

This early announcement allows any budding artist in the area to get their brushes or camera out, and enter. If you are at all interested in exhibiting or have some other craft that we might want to consider then please get in touch and we can discuss.

Wendy Thomas

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