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## **FROM THE ACTING EDITOR**

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## **FRONT COVER–**

### **CHRISTMAS COVER COMPETITION 2015**

Thank you to the School for taking part again this year and to all the parents who made sure drawings got back to school by the closing date. There were **56** entries with Class 3 producing 18 of them. The judging team had a difficult time choosing the winners from some really impressive work.

Congratulations to **Isla Sewell** whose winning entry of a skating robin appears on the front cover.

Runners-up pictures from each class are on the back cover, and as many of the others as possible have been inserted throughout the following pages. You can see them in colour in the East Hanningfield News posted on the Parish Council's website.

## **PARISH COUNCIL**

Further to the article in the previous News, when I reported the investigations into rebuilding the Tye path, a builder has been instructed to carry out the works to the length of path northwards from the pinch-point outside the church. This was considered to be the stretch in the worst condition following recent water main bursts and previous ditch overflows. The date for the works is awaited.

PC was sorry to learn of the recent death of Stan Gordon who had been a parish councillor from 1991 until 1998. Stan held responsibility for civil emergency planning and public transport, and was very active in trying to get the overhead wires along the Tye buried underground. He undertook the project to mark PC's centenary by installing a noticeboard containing a map of the all the public rights of way in the parish. It proved a long, drawn out process as it was necessary for the County Council's footpath officers to agree that every detail on the map was accurate. The noticeboard still stands beside the Tye just inside the Gard entrance.

I hope that it is not tempting fate to say that it looks as though the transfer of the Catherine Close play area to PC is drawing to a conclusion. PC's contractor has been mowing the area since the spring in anticipation of its imminent change of hands, and PC has had two RoSPA annual inspections for the same reason!

At the time of writing PC has just received advance copy of a leaflet to be distributed by Gladman Developments Ltd, which outlines their proposed development for the field beside and behind Willis Farm. Having read it I am able to say that there are many statements in the leaflet which are the opinions of Gladman and can be challenged, as I am sure you will see when you receive it. I suspect that recent experiences have educated local residents in the planning system, so that we have here a population with an above average understanding of how it works. I am unable to tell you PC's view at this point because there has not been time to discuss it, but PC has previously

expressed the opinion that there should be no more development in East Hanningfield until the pumping station has been upgraded. I have alerted the Action Group to the proposal, but everyone will be informed soon enough. Please see City Councillor Richard Poulter's comments on page 6.

To avoid meeting on Christmas Eve this month's PC Meeting will be on 10th. December and then for the foreseeable future PC Meetings will continue on the fourth Thursday of each month, usually at 8pm. The Agenda appears on the noticeboards and website three clear days beforehand. Please let me know if you can't see it on line. Sometimes it's there but "invisible" to you but I can see it!

PC's Facebook page is reaching a lot of people, although, to date, it has not been able to find out the name of the child who forgot to fill in the form on their Cover Competition entry, even though 105 have seen it so far. Here it is. Do you recognise it?



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## **POPPY APPEAL**

Thank you to everyone for your generous contributions to the poppy appeal this year. The total collected by the Post Office, the School, the Folly Bistro and the house to house collection was £327.25 .



Malcolm and Sue Edward and Tony Groves

## BROADBAND UPDATE—PC CHAIRMAN

Our Village Broadband Project continues to progress, even with a few setbacks. The plan to split the project between business and public funding was on track until news broke that the Government funding for Small Medium Enterprises had been withdrawn. Fortunately, this has only deterred a few businesses in the village and I can report that as this goes to press, we are in the final stages of securing funding from the remaining businesses involved to finalise the business investment for the project. The private investment is still available which covers the public funded side. Feedback received from talking to disgruntled members of the village regarding broadband speeds suggest we have an average of 3Mbps currently! I am pleased to report that testing of the technology offered from County Broadband has shown potential speeds of 100Mbps per installation.

On a personal note, I would like to thank all those who attended the open evening in the Church and who showed their support. I am also grateful to the volunteers who are conducting the surveys around the village which will enable County Broadband to plan the network.

Finally, I would like to thank our Village Businesses for their continued support and investment to improve the infrastructure. There is still a lot of work to be done on this but we envisage that by early 2nd Qtr 2016 we shall be 'buffer-face' free!

Jim Howe,  
Chairman, Parish Council



## CITY COUNCILLOR

It has just been disclosed that Gladman Developments is proposing to submit a planning application for 115 new homes in Main Road East Hanningfield on land adjacent to the village boundary. Gladman will be delivering a leaflet explaining their proposals and inviting comments. These comments may influence the detail of their planning application but the fact remains that a massive extension is proposed to the village. This is contrary to planning policy and I will vigorously oppose it.



As has been widely reported Chelmsford City Council is in the process of preparing a new local plan as the current one expires in 2021. This document will guide the growth and development across Chelmsford City Council's area to 2036. The Council is now consulting on the first stage of this new Plan by publishing an Issues and Options document. This sets out what the Council sees as the main issues facing the area, including the numbers of new homes, jobs and requirements for infrastructure. It calculates the objectively assessed housing need over the plan period at 775 new homes per year which with a buffer of 20% gives an annual total 930 or 14,000 over the plan period.

The document also sets out three options where the Council think that the growth can take place. None of these options place more homes directly in East Hanningfield but Option 3 suggests that up to 1700 new homes could be spread amongst 'service settlements' which includes East Hanningfield. There is also a proposal for a large number of new homes on land north of South Woodham Ferrers which will affect traffic along Creephedge Lane. The three published options are where Chelmsford City Council believe development can take place but they are only suggestions and other options or a combination of options, could be proposed in the consultation. More details and the opportunity to comment in the consultation process can be found at <http://>

[consult.chelmsford.gov.uk/portal](http://consult.chelmsford.gov.uk/portal). The consultation ends at 4.45 p.m. on 21<sup>st</sup> January.

Chelmsford City Council's recycling rates are disappointing which means that 50% approx. of rubbish is going to landfill which is both expensive and not good for the planet. The problem is that particularly residents are taking the easy option and placing all rubbish etc in the black bin. The solution adopted by many councils is to have the black bin collected no more frequently than every two weeks. This encourages residents to use the other bins particularly for food waste which is relatively heavy. I would welcome residents views on the assumption that arrangements can be made for flats nappy disposal.

My wife and I wish all residents and their families a Very Happy Christmas and a Healthy 2016

Richard Poulter

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## COUNTY COUNCILLOR



Needless to say finance continues to dominate the County Agenda and at this time of year the big question is how much will our grant be from the Treasury. At the time of writing we are expecting this to be announced in the Comprehensive Spending Review on the 25th November and from then on its a question of deciphering the small print on what it means for Essex and begin the process of preparing our budget for 2016/17. I know many of the pundits are expecting a reduction of between 15/20% which if confirmed puts considerable pressure on all our services and explains why every month you will read and see a further consultation on this and that service and also further involvement using the private sector to buy specialist services as and when we require them. I know this is going to mean some difficult decisions on the way but we will always do what is best for our residents and where the need is greatest.

Parking at Broomfield is often a nightmare and I am pleased to report that as from the beginning of December you will be able to pick up a shuttle bus from the Chelmer Valley Park and Ride site which will take you into the hospital complex and cut out all that hassle. It will be a half hour service operating from 7a.m to 7p.m Monday to Saturday and of course free to concessionary pass holders.

Please be aware of rogue traders knocking on the door trying to sell their services. There have been a number of distressing incidents around Chelmsford and the advice is say "no". You can always find a reputable trades person from the Buy with Confidence website.

May I wish you all a very Happy Christmas.

Ian Grundy

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## HANNA'S FIELD CHARITY

A big thank you to Wendy Thomas, Jenny Mouser and their families and friends who organised the village Annual Art Exhibition & Sale which took place in the Village Hall at the start of September. The art show was well supported throughout the weekend and proved to be a very successful event making approximately £2,000.

There is an end in sight to the much discussed replacement of the Hall roof. A contractor has been selected and the work is due to be completed in February 2016, during the half term week.



The Hanna's Field Charity Committee is always looking for new members to join the Committee and assist in the running of the Village Hall and sports facilities. If you would like to find out more about the Charity please contact me or any member of the committee.

The large hall, small hall, Iris Evans meeting room, sports fields and courts are available for booking which can be made via Dan Crow on **01245 400965**. Please make use of the facilities which are available at a discounted rate if you live in the parish.

More information about the Charity can be found on our website which is part of the Parish Council website.  
Wishing you all a very merry Christmas and a happy New Year.

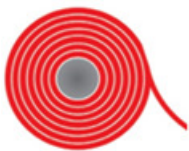
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## **NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH**

The East Hanningfield NhW team met in November to consider the future of our village organisation in the light of recent news about proposed police cut backs in Essex. East Hanningfield comes under the Woodham Rural Neighbourhood Policing division of Chelmsford Rural South district. Under current police proposals, South Woodham police station will close (although Maldon and Chelmsford will remain open) but more importantly for neighbourhood policing, the number of Police Community Support Officers (PCSO) in Essex will be reduced from 250 to 60 (source BBC Essex).

The Chief Constable Stephen Kavanagh said his force would continue to respond to crimes that are "harming people" or where people are at risk of harm, such as burglaries, robberies, sex offences, child grooming and missing people but he said officers could not respond to the same number of things they had previously.

The reduction in PCSOs is perhaps the main concern for neighbourhood policing as they have in the past provided a point of contact for NhW reporting local incidents, speeding, anti-social behaviour etc, and for feedback. Overall it seems much of the local two way flow of intelligence provided by a PCSO presence in rural areas like ours will be lost. Our NhW team therefore decided at November's meeting to maintain the present organisation in the village (there are nine NhW residents covering most areas of the village, but no representative for Abbeyfields) and to redouble our efforts to provide police alerts and information to residents while acting as a conduit for information to the police (mainly through our local NhW emails).

**Police Street Meets:** Essex Police started "Street Meets" in November 2014 the last being at the Village Fete in June (attended by PCSO Linda Samways and David Rackham for EH NhW). There are no further dates and they might cease as a result of PCSO cut-backs.

**Local Crime Update and Precautions:** NhW are not aware of any recent burglaries (although there were some in Church Road, West

Hanningfield so, as crime travels, take precautions).

Darker nights are here and police continue to extol the use of “Lights on Timers”, as a means of persuading villains that a property is occupied. Christmas is the high season for burglaries, distraction theft, pick-pockets and so forth. Remember, don’t leave presents on display or unattended in cars.

The latest telephone and email scams for TalkTalk account holders are a reminder of the increasing variations in the ways villains are trying to trick you out of your money. Remember the rules – no legitimate callers will ever cold call to ask for bank account or Pin code details; don’t be fooled by people claiming to be police or bank officials saying they need you to transfer funds to another account or provide them with account access; don’t hand over control of your computer to anyone phoning/e-mailing claiming you have a computer problem; don’t click on an e-mail attachment from anyone however legitimate it looks unless you are absolutely sure who it is from and the content attachment – if in doubt delete it!

**Police Alerts and ECM:** Police information and crime alerts are available through the Essex Police Electronic Community Messaging (ECM) service using this link: ([http://www.essex.police.uk/contact\\_us/community\\_messaging.aspx](http://www.essex.police.uk/contact_us/community_messaging.aspx)).

**NhW Contact:** EH NhW will forward EM alerts & other NhW information on request. If you wish to be added to the distribution email me (these emails are “blind” so you won’t see other recipients and they won’t see you).

**NhW Meetings:** The next NhW team quarterly meeting will be on Wednesday 17 February in the Bethel Church meeting room. Let me know if you are interested in joining NhW or need more information. The EH NhW team has a marking kit that you can borrow.

Mike Plumridge: Acting NhW Co-ordinator.  
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## **BETHEL CHURCH**

### **If You Could Have Anything for Christmas...**

What would you like to be given, by God himself? If you could have anything, what would it be?

Most of us, if we could have anything, would probably ask for something extraordinary. Perhaps a loved one back, to share Christmas again? Or maybe something more materialistic – a ten-million pound house would be nice. Or perhaps we'd ask for the dream job. Or the dream body, or relationship or holiday or pension.

Perhaps though, we should be a bit more unselfish. I mean, this is God's present to us. So he really could give us world peace. He really could end hunger and disease.

So you take the present, and you start to unwrap it, and you look inside, and what is it?

A baby.

That's it? A baby? And it's not even a baby who'll live with you, but one who lived in history, 2,000 years ago. God could give you anything, and he gives you a baby? Does he know what he's doing?

Yes he does.

God the Father could have given you anything. What he chose to give you, me, all of us, is the most precious gift he has, and the gift we most need. He chose to give us clarity, so that we could know there is more than this life; know that we have value; and know that we are loved.

God has given us not a thing, but a person. He has given us his Son.

That is what we'll be celebrating this Christmas, please come and join us.

## VILLAGE DIARY

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### DECEMBER

- Tue 1 10.30am **LADIES MEETING** at Bethel Church.
- Thu 3 7.30pm **PRAYER MEETING** at Bethel Church.
- Fri 4 6-7pm **CHRISTMAS CAROL CHOIR PRACTICE** at All Saints' Church. All welcome.
- Sun 6 8.30am **BCP COMMUNION** at All Saints' Church  
10am **CHRISTINGLE SERVICE** at All Saints' Ch. Collection for the Children's Society. Christingles provided or bring your own.  
10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Tue 8 10.30am **LADIES MEETING** at Bethel Church.
- Wed 9 2pm **WI CHRISTMAS MEETING** in the WI Hall.  
2.35-55pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Ashley Green  
3.15-4pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at the Village Hall car park
- Thu 10 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church  
8pm **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** in the first floor meeting room at the Village Hall
- Fri 11 9.30-11.30am **HEALTH VISITOR** at Hanna's Tots in the Village Hall.  
6-7pm **CHRISTMAS CAROL CHOIR PRACTICE** at All Saints' Church. All welcome.
- Sat 12 11am-1pm **CAFE BAR** at Bethel Church
- Sun 13 10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church  
11am **COMMUNION SERVICE** at All Saints' Church  
4pm **CAROL SINGING AROUND THE VILLAGE** meet at Bethel Church
- Tue 15 10.30am **LADIES MEETING** at Bethel Church.
- Thu 17 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church
- Fri 18 **Last Day of Autumn Term EH School**  
6-7pm **CHRISTMAS CAROL CHOIR PRACTICE** at All Saints' Church. All welcome.

- Sun 20 10am **SHORT COMMUNION SERVICE** at All Saints' Ch  
 4pm **CAROLS BY CANDLELIGHT** for all the family at All  
 Saints' Church  
 6pm **FAMILY CHRISTMAS SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Tue 22 10.30am **LADIES MEETING** at Bethel Church.
- Thu 24 4pm **CRIB SERVICE** and blessing of the Crib  
 11.30pm **MIDNIGHT COMMUNION** at All Saints' Church
- Fri 25 10am **CHRISTMAS COMMUNION SERVICE AND BLESS-  
 ING FOR FAMILIES**—bring gifts for children less fortunate  
 (please label eg boy aged 5)  
 10am **CHRISTMAS MORNING SERVICE** at Bethel Church.
- Sun 27 10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church  
 11am **MORNING WORSHIP** (St. John the Evangelist) at  
 All Saints' Church.  
 6pm **EVENING PRAISE & WORSHIP** at Bethel Church
- Tue 29 10.30am **COFFEE MORNING** at Bethel Church

## JANUARY 2016

- Sun 3 9am **BCP COMMUNION** with short sermon at All Saints'  
 Church  
 10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Mon 4 **1st Day of Spring Term EH School**
- Wed 6 2.35-2.55pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Ashley Green  
 3.15-4pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Village Hall car park.
- Sat 9 11am-1pm **CAFE BAR** at Bethel Church
- Sun 10 10am **MORNING WORSHIP** (Epiphany 1) at All Saints'  
 Church  
 10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Wed 13 2pm **WI MEETING** in the WI Hall. Speaker: David  
 Padwick on Music Hall & Variety Portraits.
- Fri 15 9.30-10.30am **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Preschool &  
 Hanna's Tots



- Sun 17 10am **HOLY COMMUNION** (Epiphany 2) at All Saints' Church  
10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Tue 19 10.30am **LADIES MEETING** at Bethel Church
- Wed 20 2.35-2.55pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Ashley Green  
3.15-4pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Village Hall car park.
- Sun 24 10am **MORNING WORSHIP WITH HEALING**  
(Epiphany 3) at All Saint's Church  
10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Thu 28 8pm **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** in the first floor meeting room at the Village Hall. Please use side door.
- Fri 29 9.30-10.30am **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Preschool & Hanna's Tots
- Sun 31 10am **SUNG MATINS** (Epiphany 4) at All Saints' Church  
10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church

## **FEBRUARY 2016**

- Wed 3 2.35-2.55pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Ashley Green  
3.15-4pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Village Hall car park.
- Sun 7 9am **BCP COMMUNION** (Sunday before Lent & Candlemass) at All Saints' Church  
10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Tue 9 Shrove Tuesday (Pancake Day)
- Wed 10 **ASH WEDNESDAY & ASSEMBLY IN CHURCH with EH School.** Parents welcome, at All Saints' Church  
2pm **WI MEETING** in the WI Hall. Speaker: Roland Smith on Bedding Plants.
- Fri 12 9.30-10.30am **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Preschool & Hanna's Tots
- Sat 13 11am-1pm **CAFE BAR** at Bethel Church

- Sun 14 10am **MORNING WORSHIP CELEBRATING ST. VALENTINE.** (1st Sunday of Lent) at All Saints' Ch  
 10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church  
 5-6pm **ANY QUESTIONS** with Canon Christine at the Limes
- Mon 15 **Start Half Term Break EH School**
- Tue 16 10.30am **LADIES MEETING** at Bethel Church
- Wed 17 2.35-2.55pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Ashley Green  
 3.15-4pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Village Hall car park.
- Sun 21 10am **HOLY COMMUNION** (2nd Sunday of Lent) at All Saints' Church  
 10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church  
 3pm **MESSY CHURCH** in the Village Hall.
- Thu 25 8pm **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** in the first floor meeting room at the Village Hall. Please use side door.
- Fri 26 9.30-10.30am **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Preschool & Hanna's Tots
- Sun 28 10am **MORNING WORSHIP WITH HEALING** (3rd Sunday of Lent) at All Saints' Church  
 10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church



**BROOKLYN TRACEY**



**FREYA HIGGINS**

**Bethel Church Christmas Service. 6.00pm, Sunday 20 December.** Please see the Village Diary for other Bethel Events.

May we take this opportunity to wish you all a very happy Christmas. From all your friends at Bethel Church.

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## **ALL SAINTS' LAY MINISTER CANON CHRISTINE**

Dear Friends,

It has been good to continue meeting you all over the last few months and it was so pleasing that we saw so many of you at our Remembrance Service. One of the great joys is to do events with the children, and it has been wonderful to meet with them in assemblies, and to welcome them into church for the Harvest Festival and now one assembly a half term. Parents are always welcome at these assemblies, if they can spare the time. They are usually at 9.15am in the morning, just after leaving the children at school.

Christmas is now fast approaching and it is a busy time for us all, particularly in church. You will see our Christmas Services and also an invitation to join us as a temporary Choir member if you can manage an hour from time to time, to do a bit of practising. The dates are in the Community News, 6 -7pm in church, on Friday evenings, starting on 20<sup>th</sup> November.

It is a joyous time for the church at Christmas as once again we remember the Nativity Story as, that message of hope in a world which certainly had its difficulties at the time, to a young mother struggling to cope with many new things in her life. We light candles in church to remind us of the presence of Jesus with us, he, the light of the world to overcome the darkness in our lives. There will always be those who are not so happy or well provided for at Christmas for many reasons, but it is a time when we make a special effort to remember them and do what we can. No doubt many of you will be having family to stay or going to family and friends to do your bit in various ways.

It is also another year coming to an end, and you will be looking



back, some with sad memories. We were all very upset to lose Stan Gordon this year. A much loved member of our community. Many of us may be adjusting to new situations we find ourselves in, having lost a loved one, parted through separation or divorce, lost a job or contracted an illness. We are very aware that life does not always go smoothly, but the Christmas celebrations may cheer us and we are around in church to chat to, or pray for someone. The New Year may bring joys we did not expect and there is a loving God who sees you in a big picture, rather than the small one you may sometimes may feel stuck in.

Try and join us at some point this Christmas Season and feel uplifted by the carols, the children, the quiet, the candlelight and warmth that surrounds you. Warmth of people not just the church heating! The tiny baby Jesus came for you, and he cares for you very much. Nothing can separate you from the love of God, only yourself. Love is all around us, although it does not feel like it sometimes. Church may be a good place to find it. We look forward to seeing you. Have a blessed Christmas Season and keep safe.

Canon Christine

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## **AND THE CHURCH WARDEN**

The eagle-eyed among you may have spotted that Christine has turned into a Canon! All very exciting and so well deserved for all the work she does in the Diocese, not only Lay Chair of Chelmsford South Deanery but also member of Diocesan Synod, Bishop's Council & SACRE (Standing Advisory Council on Religious Education) and Chair of Karlstad Group (the Diocese of Chelmsford has links with the Diocese of Karlstad in Sweden) ON TOP OF THAT she works very hard here in East Hanningfield to get to know people in the various village groups and to foster really close links with the Primary School. So many congratulations on her appointment to the Order of Canons and I was delighted to be present at the

Cathedral to witness the event and to hear the charismatic Bishop of Chelmsford preach. (see note below re Mothering Sunday)

A further very special evening was held in South Woodham Ferrers church when the Bishop of Bradwell confirmed 5 members of our church, four youngsters and one adult. It is many years since we helped anyone on their journey to Confirmation and they all professed to have found Canon Christine's classes very informative and fun and were grateful for all her encouragement.

On a personal and sad note, I would like to thank all those who have been so kind and supportive since my husband Stan died in September. The many kind words, in person or in cards or letters, have been a great comfort. At Stan's Service of Thanksgiving Canon Christine announced that in his memory it was planned to complete the work he began to get All Saints' bells ringing again. The collection taken at that Service and other donations received have got us halfway to achieving this. If anyone reading this has enjoyed hearing the bells in the past, whether for a family wedding, baptism or funeral or just on a Sunday morning and you feel you would like to contribute to this project, we would be very pleased to hear from you!

Christmas is not far away now and we have a number of special services planned, we look forward to welcoming you and hope you will be able to join us to enjoy singing carols and generally celebrating the birth of Jesus Christ in our pretty village church.

2016 sees changes in our service times, please note! Many people have suggested that this would fit better into their busy lives, we aim to please! In your new diaries please mark that on Mothering Sunday March 6th Bishop Stephen Bishop of Chelmsford is coming to our church, has he heard how lovely our posies are? This is a great coup and we hope as many families as possible will come along to hear & see him on that day.

Gil Gordon

 400298

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## EAST HANNINGFIELD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

The Women's Institute ladies have been very busy all year; making crafts, knitting toys and novelties and producing our famous jams, pickles and chutneys for our W.I stall. We would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone in the village for their magnificent support at the Village Fete and the Art Exhibition. Very many thanks to the Hanna's Field Charity for allowing us to invade their events. We would also like to thank Ash at our local shop for his kindness selling many of our Recipe Books.



We are delighted to report that we are absolutely enjoying our new central heating and the novelty of hot water from the tap in the sink has most certainly not worn off.

We have welcomed a steady flow of new members who have enhanced the laughter and fun at our monthly meetings.

We have a full and interesting programme for 2016 starting off in January with a visit from David Padwick who is going to tell us all about Music Hall and Variety Portraits. I might have to put on the long skirt and hat for that one.

In February, Roland Smith a local plants man is coming to visit us from his nursery in Battlesbridge to tell us about bedding plants,



where to put them and how we can keep them looking blooming lovely as well as answer our gardening questions.

In March Dr Jane Pearson is giving a talk on the Colchester Good Time Girls.

We round off the first quarter of the year with Mark Thorogood who grows one of my favourite vegetables – Asparagus. Bless him he is also going to bring some with him.

Please come and join us you will all be most welcome, we laugh, have fun and chat a lot over tea and cakes. May I wish everyone from all our lovely ladies, a very happy Christmas and our fond best wishes for the New Year. We hope to meet you soon.

Flora Virgoe.



**MEGAN  
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STONES**

# PRESCHOOL

This Autumn Term our theme has been “People who help us”, so we have been talking about firemen, police, paramedics, dentists, recycling and also our family. We were fortunate to have visits from various “helpers”, including a lady from the Council to talk about recycling with Dusty Bin and also a paramedic who gave up his valuable time to show the children his ambulance. We have also incorporated Jewish New Year, Sukkot, Harvest, Bonfire Night, Remembrance Day, Diwali, Hanukkah and of course, Christmas. At the moment the children are busy learning songs for their Christmas concert at the end of term.

Some of you may have noticed that our outside area has recently increased with an extra fence panel, so that it now incorporates a larger area of grass. This was funded using money raised at the last very successful Pamper Evening and also a donation from the Parish Council.

Since September 2015 we have been opening an extra afternoon session, so we are now open all day on a Monday until 3 o'clock and four mornings. This has proved so popular that we will be opening all day on a Thursday and Friday in addition from January 2016. Monday afternoon will be a dedicated Risers session, one that focuses on the children who will be starting school next September. Jesters are able to offer a breakfast club every morning and also a pick-up service on Mondays, Thursdays and Fridays. We currently have vacancies for every session.

If you would like to find out more about the Pre-school or would like to come for a visit please look at our website, telephone or email us.



Sue, Deputy Supervisor & Administrator

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# East Hanningfield Pre-School



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<u>Open Hours:</u>	Monday	9am - 3pm*
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	Wednesday	9am - 1pm
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	Friday	9am - 3pm

\*Dedicated Risers session Monday pm, this focuses on children going to school in Sept 2016

**Tel: 07732 951613**

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## East Hanningfield Pre-school operates in East Hanningfield Village Hall



For children aged 2 years to 5 years additional lunch club is available for children who are over 2 and a half

We are a registered provider for the two Year and three Year old funding

Further enquiries or to book a visit please call: **07732 951613** during the session hours or email : **ehps1@live.co.uk**

Visit our website: **[www.easthanningfieldpreschool.org.uk](http://www.easthanningfieldpreschool.org.uk)**

East Hanningfield Pre-school is a charity and we have a parent committee  
We have a highly qualified team of staff who work with the children.

★ **We have places available for Spring 2016** ★

***Ofsted rated: GOOD***

Our aim at East Hanningfield Pre-school is to have a happy and secure environment for both children and parents, and to establish a good working relationship with parents through a key person scheme.

We aim to work in partnership with parents and the local community and we welcome suggestions for improvement of the Pre-school an any time.

We aim to provide a broad and balanced curriculum to enable children to develop socially, intellectually, physically and morally using the EYFS as our guidelines, aiming to encourage children to become active and independent learners through play.

~~Jesters~~ We have links with Jesters who offer both Breakfast and After School clubs for children over 3yrs old. They provide a transfer service to pick up children from pre-school Monday, Thursday and Friday and can bring children to preschool every morning.

**Hanna's Tots** is our parent and toddler session and is held on **Fridays 9:30 - 11:15am**. These sessions are for children aged from 0 - 5 Years old and are an opportunity to meet new friends and meet other parents! The health visitor and Children Centre also attend at certain times.

**Please see website for more details.**

## HANNA'S TOTS

Hanna's Tots is a parent and toddler group which operates every Friday morning from 9.30 to 11.30 am in East Hanningfield Village Hall (entrance is via the front of the building). We open throughout the year, including school holidays.

Hanna's Tots is aimed for people with children from birth up to the age of five. We exchange ideas, share problems, drink tea and chat!

Children can entertain themselves in a safe and fun environment with a selection of toys and arts and craft activities also available.

We have strong links with East Hanningfield Pre-school for easy integration to East Hanningfield School.

We benefit from visits from the Health Visitor and Children's Centre every second Friday of the month from 9.30-10.30 am providing checks, consultations and chats.

Hanna's Tots is run by a volunteer group and is £2 per family per session.

Children from outside the village are always welcome and older siblings during the school holidays.

For further information please contact

Laura  
☎ 07903  
104263.

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# NEW LINE DANCING CLASS

I am hoping to start up a line dancing class in January 2016, and would like to know if you are interested in joining. It will be aimed at beginners but all are welcome. Line dancing is for men and women, it's fun, you don't need a partner and you will meet new friends.

It's very good for you both physically and mentally. It can help keep joints supple and build up strength in your leg muscles. It's good for the heart and lungs, memorising the step patterns exercises your brain and it is GOOD FUN.

All you need are comfortable shoes, which will stay firmly on your feet, and with a slightly slippery sole, loose top - because you will get hot, and a bottle of water as you will become dehydrated during the physical exercise and, lastly, a good reason why you should not join in.

The class will be held in the WI Hall, Old Church Road, East Hanningfield, and the cost will be £7.50 per person for an hour.

If you are interested in joining a class please ring me and let me know so that I can get an idea of numbers and whether it's worth running. Look forward to hearing from you.

Chris  
☎ 400561.



**ELENA WILLIAMS**

# **EAST HANNINGFIELD C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL**



We have had another busy term and look forward to the Christmas Festivities.

This term the children have been learning about 'people who help us', the Anglo Saxons, Diwali and class 3 have had a lovely time at All Saints Church with Christine learning about the features of a church. Class 4 will take on the role of Anglo Saxons early in December as they dress up and work with the company 'History off the Page', who will recreate what it was like to live in this age.

We were lucky enough to have a visit from the Bishop of Bradwell, Bishop John on the 16<sup>th</sup> November. He spent the morning at our school and gave all classes their very own holding cross. The children quizzed him on a number of things and he joined the children for lunch. Next year some of the children will be visiting Chelmsford cathedral to take part in a special event arranged by the Diocesan for schools.

The children have been busy taking part in sporting events. Our school football team has had a very good start to the season. Key stage 1 children have taken part in the Teddy L'ympics this term with other schools and we have also received the key stage 1 active schools award at County hall that we are very proud of. The school choir have been practising hard and have performed at Hyde Hall at their Christmas shopping event.

We are just beginning to start preparations for our Christmas performances. Key stage 1 children and reception will be performing



'The Stable Boy' and key stage 2 children will be organising and delivering a carol service at All Saints Church for parents on the 15<sup>th</sup> December. The end of term sees us holding Christmas parties and having our school Christmas lunch. The whole school will be able to enjoy the pantomime Jack and the Beanstalk, when a theatre company comes to visit us, it is always a busy end of term! We unfortunately have to say a fond farewell to Miss Burns at the end of the autumn term. Miss Burns is relocating back to her home town of Liverpool. We wish her the very best, she will be missed. We look forward to welcoming Miss Havers in January 2016, who will be teaching class 2 and will be the new Deputy Headteacher. It now just leaves me to wish you all a very happy Christmas and best wishes for 2016 from everyone at East Hanningfield C of E Primary School.

Kerry Collins,  
Headteacher

☎ 400772

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# CHRISTMAS COVER COMPETITION 2015

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CHARLOTTE CLARK



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ISABELLE CUE



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