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FULL COLOUR EDITION

This edition is being produced in full colour on a trial basis. The PC will decide whether it is to be a permanent feature at its Meeting at the end of March.

VILLAGE TIDY 2017
SATURDAY, 6TH. MAY
Meet at the Village Hall car park at 9am to collect sacks, pickers, gloves & hi-vis vests.



PARISH COUNCIL

As anticipated in the last News, PC has gained a new councillor. This is John Bedding who was co-opted on to the Council at the November Meeting. At the same Meeting, Steve Kibble announced his resignation from the Council, as other commitments would prevent him giving it his full attention. So, at the time of writing we have a vacancy, but hope to fill it shortly. Watch this space!

From the number of wrong bins, sacks etc being put out on collection day, it seems residents continue to be confused by the change over to fortnightly bin emptying. To help you get it right, and especially for those of you who don't seem to have received the new timetable, the Village Diary in the centre pages includes the collections days. You can pull it out and pin it up in your kitchen.

Notice has been received that there will be a 50mph speed limit on the A130 between the Rettendon Turnpike and Howe Green for the duration of unspecified works. The notice comes into force on 1st March and will last until the end of September.

The Police & Crime Commissioner for Essex, Roger Hirst, is to hold a public meeting at Woodham Ferrers Village Hall, from 6.30-8.30pm on Thursday, 2nd. March. You may join and leave the meeting at any time. He particularly wants to hear from members of the public what they think are the issues of most importance.



Do you live in a White Area? Superfast Essex has asked for PC's help in identifying areas in the parish which cannot get superfast broadband through their telephone line or with County Broadband. If such white areas are found they will be eligible for future investment by Superfast Essex. So, it is important that if you can't get a satisfactory service with the BT line and County Broadband have confirmed they cannot help you either, that you inform Superfast Essex

at make.theconnection@essex.gov.uk providing evidence. You must do this by the end of March, so that your address can be included in the next funding round. You should be able to find out from your broadband provider if you can be upgraded to superfast broadband. You can contact County Broadband on 01376 562002 or via their website www.countybroadband.co.uk .

Complaints about dog mess continue. The City Council is launching its fourth 'Dog Watch' campaign, encouraging people to report dog fouling. If you see someone failing to clear up after their pet, please report it to the Council by phone or online. Failing to clear up after your dog properly is an offence, which can result in a Fixed Penalty Notice of £50 and a fine of up to £1,000. Where Council officers witness an incident, enforcement action will be taken. A previous case resulted in a Magistrates' Court prosecution and a total fine of £360. Reports from members of the public help officers to target their enforcement patrols, making them more effective. Targeted patrols

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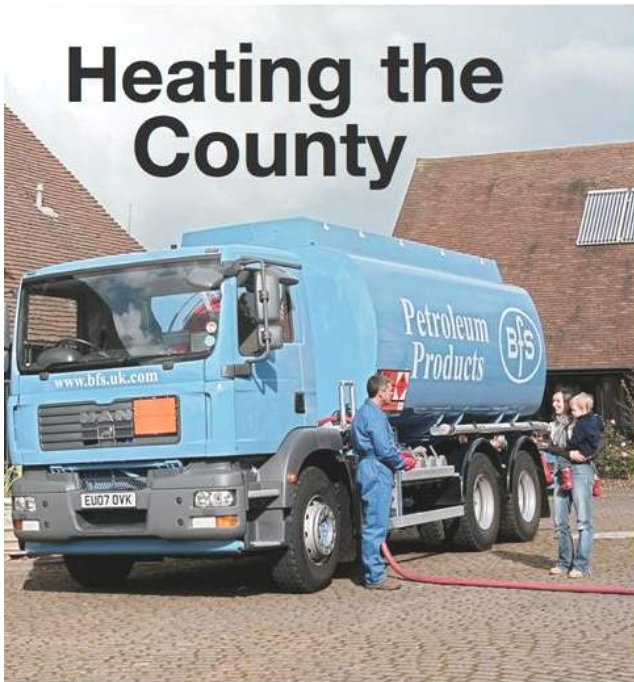
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mean that the Council can be in the right place at the right time to identify and educate the small minority who don't clean up after their dog. To report an incident of dog fouling, please call 01245 606606, or visit www.chelmsford.gov.uk and click on the Dog Watch logo.

PC intends to provide two *Play in the Park* sessions during the Easter break and three during the Summer. Dates are yet to be confirmed but they will be publicised on the noticeboards, on Facebook and on PC's website. *Play in the Park* is a series of free two-hour multi-activity sessions for children aged 3-11 years. Children aged 5 and under must be accompanied by an adult carer.

PC has become aware of telephone boxes in other villages being disconnected and offered for sale to the local council. Unused boxes in other parts of the country have been used to house tourist information, a defibrillator, a book exchange etc. PC would like to hear from residents whether they think there is any use our box could be put to



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should its telephone use be discontinued.

PC has been helping Hanna's Tots with their rent through a thin patch, and is pleased that confidence in Tots has been confirmed with attendance increasing since the beginning of 2017 (see p. 35).

PC Meetings continue on the fourth Thursday of the month, in the first floor meeting room at the Village Hall. These meetings are open to the public to attend, and a time is set aside, shortly after it starts, for members of the public to ask questions or raise matters of local concern. You can read the Agenda and approved Minutes on PC's website under **Publications**.

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CITY COUNCILLOR

Chelmsford City Council is in the process of preparing its local plan for the period up to 2036. The document will include a calculation of the number of new homes required and their location. The council has consulted on the various issues and options and its preferred options for the local plan will be published in early March. This will lead to a draft plan which will be consulted upon this Autumn. Following this the proposed plan will be submitted to an Inspector for approval. The document will shape the future of Chelmsford and its town and villages for years to come.

Future population growth is expected to be driven by net migration into the area rather than from natural change. An updated Objectively Assessed Housing Need Report was issued last year. Using the most up to date sub national population projections show an average annual housing need for Chelmsford of 805 homes including 175 affordable homes.

Chelmsford can currently demonstrate a five year supply of deliverable housing by way of updates on its current plan. Councils that are not as proactive as Chelmsford cannot do this and have become subject to developer proposals that are not in the best interests of the villages concerned. In its recently published white paper there is a suggestion of a new national policy for calculating housing need based on household growth. Chelmsford is top in Essex with 97% of their household creation requirements over the last three years. Some other authorities are as low as 25%. The calculation is over the last three years and Chelmsford has improved significantly over this period so is now likely to top 100%. The five year supply will be an issue in the forthcoming Gladman appeal.

The significance for our villages is where these homes will go. The preferred options plan will suggest specific locations and numbers, including land north of South Woodham Ferrers. It will identify rea-

soning for the choice of site. I will be commenting on this in a future issue.

Keep up to date on the progress of the New Local Plan by visiting www.chelmsford.gov.uk/new-local-plan or call 01245 606330.

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COUNTY COUNCIL

With the County elections on 4th. May, County Councillors are going into a period of “purdah”, which means no article this time, but whoever is elected to the seat for the Stock Division will be invited to contribute to the next News.

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HANNA'S FIELD CHARITY

(Trustees of the Village Hall and Playing Fields)

I hope you and your families had a lovely festive season and that Father Christmas was kind to you. I think he had the wrong list for me because I have no memory of asking for washing up cloths, woollen socks or a magical self propelling tin opener. The last actually is quite good but still a far cry from the real list!! We all now face a new year and want it to be a good one. We wish this for you all.

The Charity was busy over the Christmas break getting the Hall looking clean, bright and more welcoming with a redecoration of the hall foyer/corridor and toilets. Thanks to Chris Evans for his hard work. The new roof installed 12 months ago has proved to be weather tight. The shrub and brambles around the bike mounds and sports courts have been manfully cut back. This will make a huge difference when the children want to explore the field area.

A disappointment during this period was that intruders entered the hall about midnight on 14th December damaging three doors in their efforts to steal. A lot of cost was incurred for us for their small tally of a coffee jar and sugar. Unfortunately the police were unable to identify them from the CCTV footage. It is important to note that there is no access to the Post Office from inside the hall. The folding door between the two halls also suffered damage during a hire, which was a costly repair as responsibility was not established.

The Wheelie Bin store has proved successful but unfortunately some people seem to think the bins are there for free use by anyone. The recent dumping of a battery by the bins is unacceptable! The Charity has to pay for bin emptying. The bins are strictly for use of the Hall ONLY. If residents dump rubbish they may well find it is returned to them thanks to the hall's CCTV!

The Hanna's Field committee are busy, together with All Saints Church, organising the next Village Fete. for **Saturday 1st July**. If all

goes to plan this can be a lovely simple event for the whole family to relax, have a bit of low cost fun and meet up with neighbours.

For the last two years we had a three way partnership between the Charity, All Saints' church and the school PTA. This was a great success and we are so sorry that it is no longer possible because the PTA was wound up due to lack of parental support. It is a great pity as it brought the Fete a wonderful contribution from the younger villagers and it also raised over £1,400 for the school for 'extras'. Unfortunately this extra will now not be available to school.

However like a slow rolling juggernaut, Fete planning still goes ahead and we are thrilled to have a couple of new interested villagers on board. We are also hopeful to have kept our tried and tested stalwart helpers. I am always fearful that they are all fleeing the country even as I write this. An event takes a lot of manpower. The Fete Committee are always looking for new people to help and any ideas are also always welcome and can be emailed to me. As manpower is reduced with the school's absence we have had to return the fete to a less ambitious scale and a more traditional feel. Nevertheless, we hope this will in no way spoil the fun.

We are always after new Fete sponsorship and have a few generous village businesses that have regularly helped us on this front. We are trying to set up a website and there may be back links for local firms from this which could help business and also get us a bit of extra cash. Keep your eyes open for this.

Our next fundraiser for Hanna's Field and All Saints is the Book Sale and Coffee Morning on Saturday 22nd April from 10.00am until 12.30 in the upstairs meeting room, with lots of great books at give away prices and homemade cakes & coffee. Watch for the posters and banners on The Tye. Come and join us. Thanks to everyone who came to the Booksale in February: it made £93.

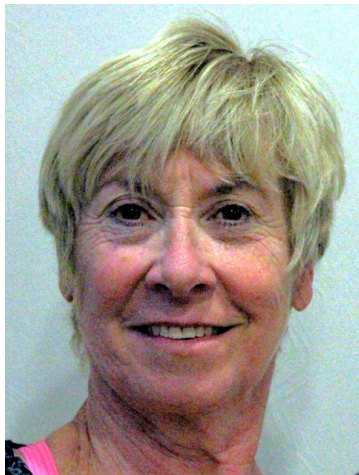


The HFC Annual General Meeting is on 26th April at 7.30pm in the upstairs meeting room. It is open to anyone who lives in the parish, and is a short meeting followed by a sociable drink and nibbles. It gives you the chance to find out about the Charity and management of your village hall & playing fields, to ask questions or put ideas. Do come along and help us do the best we can with the resource. You could even see if you wanted to help out in any way.

We are still looking for a new Chairperson for Hanna's Field Charity's Management Committee and if you are at all interested in this please get in touch.

I would also like to remind you that there are lots of activities going on at the Hall as well as different sports equipment available both for indoor and outdoor pursuits. The Activities and times are displayed at the Hall. If you want to hire the Hall there are preferential rates for residents. Just get in touch with Jess, the caretaker, or myself or any committee member. Contact names and numbers are all on hall notice boards and the front window.

The final reminder is that the Art Exhibition and Sale will take place on Saturday 16th & Sunday 17th. September. So there is the whole summer for the hidden village artists to get creating!



Wishing you all well and hoping you can spare some time to join us for our various fundraising events.

Wendy Thomas
Secretary, Hanna's Field Charity
(Trustees of the Village Hall and Playing fields)

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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

The Christmas new year holiday period is usually a time of higher than normal burglary rates but it seems to have passed off quietly here (in Runwell there were 11 over the same period!). The only crimes NhW are aware of over the period are:

- 14/12/2016: Village Hall broken into by two youths just after midnight. The police were unable to identify culprits on the Hall's CCTV due to masking/hoods. They were probably trying to get into the shop and although considerable damage was done to Hall doors the shop was not entered and nothing of value was stolen from Hall.
- 02/01/2017: White fiesta on Could Dennis bend into Filliol Close vandalised (passenger side wing mirror kicked off).

By way of feedback, police investigating the large scale flytipping, which occurred on the outskirts of the village before Christmas, inform us the issue of fly tipping had been reported across several local authority areas and resulted in cross area work involving relevant local authorities, the Environment Agency and Essex Police. An operation successfully gathered intelligence and those doing the fly tipping have been identified - we have no further details I am afraid.

Further afield, a group of males posing as Police Officers have recently been involved in committing distraction burglaries in the Basildon, Brentwood and Thurrock areas. They have fake but very convincing Essex Police Identity Cards and use these to trick and scam their way into vulnerable people's homes with the intent to steal cash and valuables. They have to date mainly been concentrating on elderly females, but everyone is at risk. If anyone calls at your property posing as a police officer, please do not let them in without first contacting the police on telephone 101 to verify that the person at your door is a bona-fide officer. Best advice is not to open the door to anyone you do not know or are not expecting.

Having said that, the nature of crime is changing and you are now much more likely to be the victim of robbery through computer and telephone related crimes such as online shopping scams, ticket fraud, hacking and theft of bank details or credit card fraud (than through say mugging, burglary or car theft). According to a Crime Survey for England & Wales issued in January an estimated 11.8 million crimes were recorded but fraud and cyber-crime have now replaced burglary and car theft as the “volume crimes” of 21st century, so please be your guard.

The type of fraud in the news at present involves sophisticated versions of a "phishing" scam. A fake letter, email, text message or telephone call that appears to be from a legitimate organisation (often a bank saying your account has been subject to "unusual transactions") & which is designed to trick victims into handing over personal information or into making a money transfer (the on-line direct bank transfer facility is the scammer's best friend - money transferred to a criminal's false account will be transferred to a foreign bank account within 24 hours & become untraceable).

The scam usually involves getting the recipient to call a telephone number to "confirm the transactions are genuine" etc. or to confirm account details, or to arrange an on-line money transfer but the telephone number will be false and operated by people posing as the organisation's staff. Don't be fooled into passing any details or making any money transfer however genuine it may seem without always first contacting the organisation independently to check validity of the request. Never assume an email, text or phone call is genuine. Do not open emails from someone you do not recognise and never click on links sent to you as part of an unsolicited message. If you are a victim or want advice about this type of crime phone (or go on line) to “ActionFraud” where you can talk to fraud and internet crime specialists (tel 0300 123 2040).



Speeding in some parts of the village remains a



problem. We have received the “slow-down” self-adhesive signs for wheelie bins from the printers and are approaching people in The Tye/The Common, Bicknacre Rd, Old Church Rd and Ashley Green to display them. Unfortunately, in the meantime the City Council has reduced black bin refuse collections to fortnightly and as we could only afford 50 labels it means they will only be seen on roadsides on alternate weeks. We hope to order some more labels, this time with the 30mph sign, as Essex Police have now said that they will not prosecute anyone displaying them, so if you would like to order these please contact me. Due to NW finances it will be necessary to ask for a minimum donation of £1 per label.

Lastly, our usual “prevention is better than cure” plea – just because we haven’t had many reported burglaries here lately, please be vigilant and don’t make it obvious your house is empty when you are out (have lights switch on when its dark, don’t leave curtains drawn during daytime, lock doors, windows and side gates, and don’t leave car keys or valuables on display for someone to see).

The next NhW team quarterly meeting will be on Wednesday 1st March, 8pm in the Bethel Church meeting room. Contact me (Clinton Close), David Rackham (Old Church Rd) or David Shrouder (Highfields Mead) if you are interested in joining us or would like more information.



EH NhW forwards police/NhW messages on local crime and information to residents that have requested this (the e-mailed NhW information is “blind” copied to recipients so you won’t see other recipients on email and they won’t see you). Contact me if you would like to be included.

Mike Plumridge
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MARCH

- Wed 1 **Brown Bin, Paper Sack, Plastics & Cartons Sack & Food Waste**
9.15 am **ASH WEDNESDAY ASSEMBLY & SERVICE** for School Children and Parents at All Saints' Ch.
2.35-55pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Ashley Green
3.15-4pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at the Village Hall car park
- Sun 5 9am **BOOK OF COMMON PRAYER COMMUNION** -
Rev. Lee Batson at All Saints' Church.
10.45 am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Wed 8 **Black Bin, Green Box, Card Sack & Food Waste.**
- Fri 10 9.30-10.30am **CHILDREN'S CENTRE** at Hanna's Tots, V/ Hall
9.30-10.30am **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Preschool & Hanna's Tots, Village Hall car park
- Sat 11 11am-1pm **CAFE BAR** at Bethel Church
- Sun 12 10am **MORNING WORSHIP** at All Saints' Church
10.45 am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Wed 15 **Brown Bin, Paper Sack, Plastics & Cartons Sack & Food Waste**
2pm **WI MEETING** at the WI Hall. Speaker: Mr. Ray Spiller, "Music Charts".
3.15-4pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at the Village Hall car park
3.15-4pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at the Village Hall car park
- Sun 19 10am **HOLY COMMUNION** at All Saints' Church
10.45 am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Wed 22 **Black Bin, Green Box, Card Sack & Food Waste**
12.30 for 1pm **SOUPER LUNCH** at the WI Hall.
- Thu 23 8pm **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** in the first floor meeting room in the Village Hall. Please use side entrance.
- Fri 24 9.30-10.30am **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Preschool & Hanna's Tots, Village Hall car park
- Sun 26 10am **MOTHERING SUNDAY** - Posy of flowers for all mums, grandmothers and carers, at All Saints' Church.
10.45 am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church

- Tue 28 10.30am **COFFEE MORNING** at Bethel Church.
- Wed 29 **Brown Bin, Paper Sack, Plastics & Cartons Sack & Food Waste**
 2.35-55pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Ashley Green
 3.15-4pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at the Village Hall car park
- Thu 30 9.15am **SCHOOL ASSEMBLY FOR EASTER.** All welcome at All Saints' Church

APRIL

- Sun 2 9am **BCP COMMUNION.** Say farewell to Rev. Lee Batson on his last Sunday before he moves to Epping, All Saints' Ch.
 10.45 am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Wed 5 **Black Bin, Green Box, Card Sack & Food Waste.**
- Sat 8 11am-1pm **CAFE BAR** at Bethel Church
- Sun 9 10am **PALM SUNDAY** - Come & collect a palm cross at All Saints' Church.
 10.45 am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Fri 10 9.30-10.30am **CHILDREN'S CENTRE** - Hanna's Tots, V/ Hall
- Wed 12 **Brown Bin, Paper Sack, Plastics & Cartons Sack & Food Waste**
- Thu 13 7.30pm **SUPPER WITH FRIENDS FROM BETHEL CHURCH** followed by **MAUNDY THURSDAY SERVICE**
- Fri 14 10am **GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
 12noon-1pm **GOOD FRIDAY SERVICE** at All Saints' Ch
- Sun 16 10am **HOLY COMMUNION FOR EASTER** followed by Easter Egg Hunt for children in grounds, at All Saints' Ch.
 10.45 am **EASTER SUNDAY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Wed 19 **Black Bin, Green Box, Card Sack & Food Waste.**
 2pm **WI MEETING** at the WI Hall. Speaker: Mrs. Margaret Mills, "Skeletons in their cupboards".
- Thu 20 7 for 7.30pm **HANNINGFIELD GROUP MEETING** WI Hall
- Sat 22 10am-12.30pm **BOOK SALE & COFFEE MORNING** in the first floor meeting room and loft at the Village Hall.
 10am **EAST HANNINGFIELD & GREAT BURSTEAD CRICKET CLUB OPEN DAY** at Great Claydons Farm
- Sun 23 10am **MORNING WORSHIP- ST. GEORGES DAY** All Saints'
 10.45 am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Tue 25 10.30am **COFFEE MORNING** at Bethel Church.

- Wed 26 **Brown Bin, Paper Sack, Plastics & Cartons Sack & Food Waste**
7.30pm **HANNA'S FIELD CHARITY ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** in the 1st floor meeting room at the Village Hall.
- Thu 27 8pm **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** in the first floor meeting room in the Village Hall. Please use side entrance.
- Sun 30 10am **SUNG MATINS** at All Saints' Church
10.45 am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church

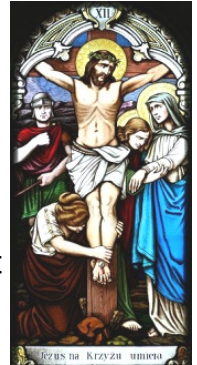
MAY

- Wed 3 **Black Bin, Green Box, Card Sack & Food Waste.**
- Thu 4 **COUNTY COUNCIL ELECTION** - Polling Station at V/ Hall.
- Fri 5 7-10pm **LADIES PAMPER & SHOPPING EVENING** at the Village Hall. Tickets £5 in advance from the village shop or £6 on the door. In aid of Preschool.
- Sat 6 9am **ANNUAL VILLAGE TIDY** Meet at the Village Hall car park to collect pickers, hi-vis vests, sacks and gloves.
- Sun 7 9am **BCP HOLY COMMUNION** with Rev. Terry Brown at All Saints' Church
10.45 am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Wed 10 **Brown Bin, Paper Sack, Plastics & Cartons Sack & Food Waste**
- Fri 12 9.30-10.30am **CHILDREN'S CENTRE** at Hanna's Tots, V/Hall
- Sat 13 11am-1pm **CAFE BAR** at Bethel Church
- Sun 14 10am **MORNING WORSHIP with BAPTISM** All Saints' Ch
10.45 am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Wed 17 **Black Bin, Green Box, Card Sack & Food Waste.**
2pm **WI MEETING** at the WI Hall. Annual Meeting & Resolutions led by Tricia Evans WI Adviser.
- Sun 21 10am **HOLY COMMUNION** at All Saints' Church
10.45 am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Wed 24 **Brown Bin, Paper Sack, Plastics & Cartons Sack & Food Waste**
12.30 for 1pm **WI SPRING LUNCH** at the WI Hall
- Thu 25 8pm **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** in the first floor meeting room in the Village Hall. Please use side entrance.
- Sun 28 10am **MORNING WORSHIP with HEALING THEME** at All Saints' Church
10.45 am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Wed 31 **Black Bin, Green Box, Card Sack & Food Waste.**

CANON CHRISTINE—ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

Dear Friends,

Life moves on a pace and we have already seen a lot of changes this year. Change can be good and bad and how people see change will vary anyway. I find it quite interesting hearing what people say on those 'Common Sense,' chats that are on the BBC TV in between programmes. It reminds us we are a diverse lot and despite the cases played up in the media sometimes, we are generally a very tolerant nation and that is something to be proud of. We sometimes knock ourselves too much and it is good, while not being complacent or arrogant, to remember the things we do well.



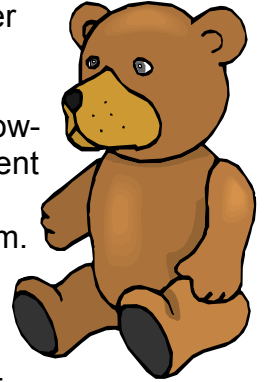
Does the church do well in your opinion I wonder? We get criticised for many things and some criticism is fair, but actually how much do you hear about what the church does to help our communities? Programmes like 'Songs of Praise,' sometimes gives details about Christian projects but I imagine it is not one of the programmes that has the highest poll ratings by any means. We do try, and many Christians are involved in things like supporting the homeless, the elderly, the lonely, those in need in a variety of ways and of different ages. Volunteers seem incredibly difficult to get in our modern day society, for anything from the uniformed organisations, Parish councillors and school governors, to reading to someone at home, helping with form filling, gardening or simply being a regular friend. Is this just to do with lifestyle in that we work longer and are busier, or different expectations? What I do know is that when you help people it can be incredibly rewarding, and I think the improvement to lives that we may make in even very small ways, can be on both sides, the helper as well as the helped. So do think about the possibility of trying to squeeze this into your life.

We shall of course soon be in the season of Lent, which for Christians is about doing something extra that is helpful in some way,

rather than giving up simply chocolate, that is why we have a Lent course, to offer an hour a week to open our minds to thinking and questioning about life issues of concern to us all.



Think about the story of Badger. He was a little boy who lost his much loved dog and then found at a fete at his school, a little girl who had found the dog, given it a new name and did not want to give it up. He told his sister about it and she understood how her brother felt and was sorry to see him so sad. The sister had won a great big cuddly teddy bear at the fete and she was very proud of it and greatly pleased. However, she made a decision. She went to the little girl who had Badger's



dog and offered the teddy bear in exchange for him. The little girl gave up the dog and the sister returned him to Badger who was overjoyed. This story is about sacrifice and what people will do for love. For Christians that is what Easter is all about.

God sent us that baby celebrated about at Christmas, and he grew up as one of us, God in human form who felt and lived like us. He taught us how to live and reminded us how much God loves us, so that he gave his life for all of our sins as the final sacrifice, and overcame death for us to have eternal life. Quite a lot to be happy about. Have a Happy Easter and come along and see us sometime during Lent or Easter Week. Don't forget the Easter Egg hunt for the children after the Easter Service.



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FROM THE CHURCHWARDEN....

Have you ever made RESURRECTION COOKIES? This is a great recipe to teach your youngsters the real story of Easter. N.B. Good to do with or without children! For best effect they should be made the evening before Easter Sunday morning and you need:

1 cup whole pecans, 1 tsp. vinegar, 3 egg whites, 1 cup sugar, plastic zip bag, wooden spoon, tape, Bible.

Preheat oven to 300F/150C BEFORE BEGINNING.

1. Place pecans in zip bag and let children beat them with the wooden spoon to break into small pieces.

Explain that after Jesus was arrested, He was beaten by the Roman soldiers. Read John 19:1-3

2. Let each child smell the vinegar, the braver ones could try a taste. Put 1 tsp. vinegar into a mixing bowl.

Explain that Jesus was given vinegar to drink when he was thirsty on the cross Read John 19:28-30

3. Add egg whites to vinegar. Eggs represent life.

Explain that Jesus gave His life to give us life. Read John 10:10-11

4. Sprinkle a little salt into each child's hand. Let them taste it and brush the rest into the bowl."

Explain that this represents the salty tears shed by Jesus's followers. Read Luke 23:27

So far the ingredients are not very appetizing.

5. Add 1 cup sugar.

Explain that the sweetest part of the story is that Jesus died because He loves us. He wants us to know this and how to belong to Him. Read Psalm 34:8 and John 3:16

6. Beat with a mixer on high speed for 12 to 15 minutes until stiff peaks are formed."

Explain that the colour white represents the purity in God's eyes of those whose sins have been cleansed by Jesus. Read Isaiah 1:18 and John 3:1-3

7. Fold in broken nuts. Drop by teaspoons onto wax paper covered baking tray.

Explain that each mound represents the rocky tomb where Jesus' body was laid. Matt. 27:57-60

8. Put the baking tray in the oven, close the door & turn the oven OFF.

9. Give each child a piece of tape and seal the oven door.

Explain that Jesus' tomb was sealed. Read Matt.27:65-66

GO TO BED! (plus maybe a quick prayer that the recipe works according to plan)

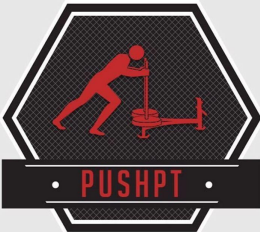
Explain that just as they may feel sad to leave the cookies in the oven overnight, so Jesus's followers were upset when the tomb was sealed and they had to leave him. Read John 16:20 & 22.

On Easter morning, open the oven and give everyone a cookie. Notice the cracked surface and take a bite. The cookies are hollow! Jesus is risen! Hence the name Resurrection Cookies!

On that very first Easter, Jesus's followers were amazed to find the tomb empty inside! Read Matt. 28:1-9

Happy Easter and good luck with the baking.

Gil Gordon ☎ 400298



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BETHEL CHURCH

WHY EASTER?

Chocolate eggs and bunnies have laced the supermarket aisles since February. And these festive distractions often obscure the true meaning of Easter, which still seems a bit lost on many people today. A well-known supermarket chain had to correct themselves twice when it reported that few young people realised that Easter

was to celebrate the birth of Christ. The second comment corrected this to rebirth, only to finally concede that Easter is actually about the resurrection.



If Christmas is a wonderful celebration of his birth, the Easter message demands an even closer look.

Wayne Malcolm describes Easter as a moment for "ultimate triumph of good over evil, a barbaric moment that was also a triumph of love over hate".

Interestingly, the first person in heaven after Jesus died was a common thief who had done absolutely nothing to deserve salvation, yet this violent robber saw something in Jesus to trust him with his salvation. This very act gives us all hope. If Jesus can pardon this sinner, he can pardon every one of us.

The story of Easter gives us time to reflect on why Jesus came, and why he had to die. So if you would like to know more about this remarkable event and how it can be life-changing today, we would love for you to join us at our Easter celebrations.

Good Friday – 14 April at 10.00am
Easter Sunday – 16 April at 10.45am
(both at Bethel Church, Old Church Road, East Hanningfield)

So as you unwrap that chocolate egg this Easter, maybe you might like to unwrap the Easter message too.

Our very best wishes, from all your friends at Bethel Church.

Roydon Hearne ✨ bethel-ec.com



GWENDOLINE OLIVE THORNE NÉE DAY

From time to time I am asked to help find long lost relatives for family history research, and this particular request concerns a time before I moved to the village so I need some help.

A relative of Gwendoline Thorne, who lived at 1 Old Hall Cottages at the end of the 1950s & possibly later, has made contact. Gwendoline was born in the Billericay area and her father was Bertie Day. It is thought she later remarried a Denis Ashford and moved to the Southend area. She might have had a sister called Violet.

Any information about Gwendoline or her family would be most welcome. You can telephone Rachel on 01684 561922/07814 937990 or email me

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EAST HANNINGFIELD WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

We have welcomed in the New Year with bone crunching cold weather. It is enough to make one secure hot water bottles to vests particularly when you are 100 years old. Yes, we have finally reached this momentous achievement. I first must thank all our members for their outstanding support. We have battled over the last few years to keep our lovely little hall available for our needs.

Our hall has been challenged twice with closure over the last 4 years which provoked an outstanding response from members – as expected from the W.I. This culminated in a massive amount of fund raising to thwart the threats. Our success brings us safely to our 100th year. This achievement rests with the very many ladies who not only started this W.I. but the many that have supported it throughout these years. It is a massive achievement: there are only a few W.I.'s in Essex that are celebrating this at the same time as us.

The Hall was once the centre of the village and has some wonderful history that covers events in the Second World War we still have the ARP bell, (used only when we get quite out of control). The provision of school dinners before the primary school came into being; fund raising events for other facilities and many events in the village which are all documented. It even provided a venue as a clinic for babies in the 1960's. The days of cod liver oil and orange juice, and we still have the screens that were used. This little green hall is the village's own time capsule. We are all very proud to be its custodians for a while. Pat Harvey (need woman extraordinaire) has made us a beautiful banner. 'East Hanningfield Women's Institute 1917 – 2017' which will hang with pride in our hall announcing to everyone who visits just how good we look for our age.

As you are well aware we are ladies that do food and this year will be no exception. We have our Special Events throughout the year which all non members, ladies or gentlemen are most welcome to attend. We provide a very nice lunch with a large variety of super puddings, a raffle and good company. I do hope you are able to come: a welcome will be waiting.

Our first is the 22 March our **'Souper Lunch'** – most welcome in this weather 12.30 for 1.00 pm at a cost of £8.50 ph.

Our second event is our **Spring Lunch** on the 24 May again 12.30 for 1.00 pm at the same cost £8.50 ph.

On the 5 July it is our **Strawberry Tea** is always a firm favourite. With lots of locally grown strawberries, scones, shortbread & lots of fresh cream. This is a diet busting event. Different time this is 2.00 pm for 2.30 at again £8.50 ph. Give me a ring if you wish to attend.



We shall be out at the Village Fete on the 1st July so please come and say hello to us. We do like to talk. Finally, but not forgotten, thank you for the support we receive from the village it really is very much appreciated.
A. Big. Thank. You.

Flora Virgoe – President ☎ 400073

Chelmsford's Front Garden Competition is back, and this year the City Council are opening it up to gardens of all types and sizes, with prizes in three categories: **Best Kept Front Garden, Best Planter or Hanging Basket & Most Sustainable Front Garden.**

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Entries must be in by Friday 26 May. Finalists will be invited to a presentation evening in July. For more information, please call the Council's Neighbourhood Improvement & Community Engagement (NICE) Team on 615800 or visit www.chelmsford.gov.uk/frontgardencompetition.

EAST HANNINGFIELD PRESCHOOL

Christmas seems a long time ago now but all the children put on a brilliant performance back in December, singing their hearts out to parents and friends. Father Christmas came to visit, of course, and produced a gift for each child out of his enormous sack.

This Spring Term we spent a couple of weeks talking about our feelings. We then took part in the RSPB Big Garden Birdwatch and made some bird feeders for the garden. This was followed by talking about our "Pets" which is always a very popular subject with the children. During the term we celebrated Chinese New Year by trying different Chinese food at snack time. On Shrove Tuesday a member of staff will, as usual, make pancakes for the children to eat. The children always make gifts for Mothering Sunday and before we break up for Easter there is always an Easter egg hunt.

We are once again collecting Sainsbury's Active Kids vouchers so if you have some and don't know what to do with them, please drop them into the box in the Village Hall.

On Sunday, 21st. May, Preschool is going to take part in the Barleylands Fun Walk. There will be a sponsor form in the shop, so please support your local Preschool by sponsoring us. Last year we raised £367.60 from sponsors and were given a further £191 from the organisers' bonus pot, so the total raised was £558.60, making it a really worthwhile event for us.

Our longer opening hours have led to an increase in staff members and we have been pleased to appoint Sara as our new SENCO supervisor & Moira as an additional part-time assistant, along with two new bank staff members, Claire and Charlotte. This has brought our total staff up to 14, about double the number of staff five years ago. Once with us staff tend to stay, with our two deputies & one supervisor totalling 44 years at the pre-school between them!

We still have a couple of vacancies for the rest of this term and the Summer Term and are taking names for our waiting list in September 2017. If you would like to find out more about the Pre-school please visit our website or, if you would like to come for a visit, please contact us by phone or email.

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HANNA'S TOTS

Hanna's Tots is a parent and baby/toddler group for people with children from birth up to the age of five, open every Friday morning, 9.30 to 11.30 in East Hanningfield Village Hall. Also open throughout the holidays when older siblings are welcome.

Children can entertain themselves in a safe & fun environment with a selection of toys for all ages including baby area & arts & crafts table.

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

Hanna's Tots is run by a volunteer group and is £2.50 per family per session (refreshments included).

Children from outside the village are always welcome.

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