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FRONT COVER—COMPETITION WINNER

Well done to all the entrants to this year's cover competition. Kingfisher Class submitted 16 entries! In all there were 43 pictures for the judges to choose from.

Congratulations to James O'Driscoll, whose illustration appears on the front cover. The runners-up from each class can be found on the back cover.

'Thank you', to all the children who used their half-term break to create some really outstanding drawings and to all the parents who ensured that the entries made it back into school safely. 'Thank you' to East Hanningfield School for participating again this year and to the judges who had such a difficult task. Finally, 'thank you' to the Parish Council for providing the prizes for the winner and runners-up.



As many as possible of the entries have been inserted in the following pages, and the whole collection can be seen in an album on the Parish Council's Facebook page.

PARISH COUNCIL

The subject of this report is the work undertaken by the Parish Council to keep the Village looking attractive and staying safe for our residents.

This winter, the Parish Council, the same as last year, will take a more proactive approach to cutting the Village hedges which have been neglected by the land owner or Essex Highways and have become a danger to residents using the footpaths.

The Parish Council are not taking responsibility for all the hedges in the Parish or the Village. In the first instance it is the responsibility of the landowner. The majority of residents do this and the PC thanks them for being considerate.

If a tractor mounted agricultural flail is an option for your hedge please let our clerk Lucy White know and she will put you in contact with our contractor. Although this would be at your expense it would most likely be the most economical and efficient solution to this annual task.

After our successful initiative in hedge cutting, next year, starting in the spring, the Parish Council will extend its grass cutting program. The PC already cuts the grass on The Tye and Hanna's Field. Next year we will extend this to the small grass amenity areas in the Could Dennis Estate, Ashley Green and Highfield Mead. The reduced grass cutting program conducted by Chelmsford City have left these areas looking very untidy. They are, for most of the year, unusable by residents and in some areas have encouraged litter or fly tipping.

Essex County Highways will still retain responsibility for grass cutting on the verges alongside the Parish's roads and lanes.

Old or overgrown trees are another problem. This year the PC has had a professional risk assessment made on all trees we are directly responsible for. This resulted in some tree surgery to remove risky branches. Again if you have a tree on you land which overhangs public space or a neighbour it is worth looking critically at it and if worried get professional advice. There are good tree surgeons in the area who can help.

Most of the footpaths in the Village are the responsibility of Essex Highways. The path along The Tye is an exception as it is on private

land. It has now got to the point of being in many areas a trip hazard and is rapidly deteriorating.

The PC is presently reviewing quotes for the relaying of the footpath asphalt from the Church to opposite the Folly Bistro. It is hoped to do this early in the new year. The length continuing past the Old Forge will have to wait until the construction of the new house is finished.

Several residents have expressed a wish for a Village Sign. A survey conducted a few years ago identified this a feature that appealed to many residents. Most of our neighbouring villages, including South and West Hanningfield, Rettendon and Bicknacre already have a Village Sign. East Hanningfield is an exception and the PC has decided to correct this short fall.

We are proud of our village and take pride in the village's appearance. There are now very few road signs clearly saying where we are. Satellite Navigation does not tell you where you are driving through or the name of the place you have arrived at. Few people now use a map. A Village Sign may seem old fashioned but modern technology makes it even more relevant. It is an indicator of our identity and civic pride. We hope to have it erected on The Tye in the first half of next year.

I will finish by, on behalf of the whole Parish Council, wishing you, your family and friends a very enjoyable Christmas holiday period and a safe, healthy and happy New Year.

Malcolm Thomas
Chair EHPC

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Rudolph pulling Santa's Sleigh by a Kingfisher pupil

CLLR. IAN GRUNDY

It is with great sadness the Parish Council heard of the death of our Essex County councillor, Ian Grundy on 24th. October, at the age of 85.

Prior to his death he had been receiving treatment for cancer.



He represented the Stock area of Essex County, which includes East Hanningfield since 2011. He had also been a Chelmsford City (previously Borough) councillor, for South Hanningfield, Stock and Margarettng, since 2003.

Ian was always approachable, courteous and wanting to help. Despite his illness he continued to be generous with his time, right up until a few days before the end.

He was a regular attendee at our Annual Village Meeting where as a member of the Essex Highways Committee he fielded the numerous complaints about pot holes with polite good humour and efficiency. An unselfish, public servant to the end, he will be greatly missed.

Malcolm Thomas

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HANNA'S FIELD CHARITY VILLAGE HALL & PLAYING FIELDS



And here we are in Autumn, with the beautiful colours all around us and the inevitable fall of many leaves, to be picked up and disposed of either in the brown bins, or if you are lucky enough to have the capacity in your garden for a composting area to let them rot down for compost, although this does take 2/3 years to actually happen, then that is good. Clearing from pathways though is important, as when they are wet, they become quite dangerously slippery along with the terrible state of some of the paths in the village with lifting of some of the tarmac from the roots of the trees, especially causing both elderly and parents/children needing to walk on the roadway to avoid.

Following another successful Art Show at the beginning of October, both Wendy and I would like to say a huge **'Thank You'** to all of the volunteers that come to do a variety of tasks, without your help we could never put this event on, we are so very grateful. The profit from this year's Art Show is just over £2,250, which is very similar to last year.

The profit from this event, along with the Village Fete in July, will, this year, go towards some new play equipment for the playing fields, although we will need a lot more with fundraising and hopefully through possible grants to actually be able to achieve this. We are looking for a small number of people (especially those with young children) to



Ellie the Elf and the
Lovely Snowman by
Felicity



Building a Snowman
by Connie Church



Hap-pea Christmas
by Thea Fenlon

come forward to join a small 'Working Party' to start working towards this goal. Unfortunately, as we have said before, there is no magical money pot from Local Government for these play areas.

Following on from the production and installation of all the benches around the field area, our Vice Chair – David Bell has again been very productive (with help) and we now have two table/benches installed on the field, one by the shop/main entrance and one by the play area. Thanks also to Dan Crow for the help with installation with the pavers and cementing them in. Another great asset which is already being put to good regular use.

In September, we acquired a substantial amount of catering grade white crockery with a gold rim and cutlery etc which can either be used for functions held in the hall or which can be hired by anyone wishing to use them for an external event. This was all generously donated by the Chadwick family, who had lived in the Village for many years, in the past they had run a Catering Business, but following the sale of their property, this all needed a new home.

We continue to try and keep up with the maintenance of the buildings and surrounding areas. New signs in the parking bays have been installed on the surrounding posts to try and keep the 'Disabled Bays' and the 'Shop Bays' clear for the customers they are intended for, so please respect these areas. Recently during the October half term, re-decoration of the Small Hall and the Kitchen has taken place with a new colour in the kitchen that gives a much warmer feeling and ambi-



Elves Around a Tree
by
Alisha Rahman



East Hanningfield
Church by
Edie Wheeler



An Elf Belonging to
Santa by
Sophie Roworth

ence along with some additional tiling in certain areas. You may also have noticed that all the concrete bollards have been repainted, to make them stand out and keep the verges from being damaged, although, should we have snow this winter, they may blend in for a while!

Following the taster sessions for Pickle Ball held a couple of months ago, HFC have purchased a net, bats and balls which are for use when hiring to play. Please use the link below to make a hall booking.

Please note: The Hall facilities will be closed for hire, from mid-day Tuesday 24th December until after the New Year, re-opening on Thursday 2nd January 2025.

Seasons Greeting for an Excellent Christmas and New Year, and whatever 2025 will bring!

Jenny Mouser, Chairperson

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To book the Hall/Sports facilities or to check availability, please go to the Village Hall website at the above address and click on 'Make a Booking' or email hannasfield@outlook.com.

Alternatively call the Booking Secretary on 01245 400965 (before 8pm) and leave a message.



Snowman with Santa Hat by
Leia Collins



Christmas Frog
by
Sophie Scott



Colourful Snowman
by
Edith Fleming



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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Local Crime News: It's been a quiet period again with very little actual local crime reported.

One item of note was a vehicle in Ashley Green which had its number plates stolen. On the face of it, number plate theft may seem like a fairly petty crime resulting in the inconvenience of having to replace the plates. The true motive and consequences of theft however is significantly more serious. If you want to buy a set of number plates from a legitimate supplier, you'll have to present the vehicle registration document and prove who you are, so criminals resort to stealing number plates from a car on the street or in a quiet corner of a car park. They use stolen plates to mask another vehicle's registration, allowing them to carry out illegal activities without being identified. The most common of these is fuel theft at garages-the thieves fill up and drive away without paying. Aside from that, criminals also using stolen number plates to help them avoid congestion charges and toll road fees, commit speeding offenses and carry out burglaries without fear of their vehicle being identified.

Is it Happening Often? Yes, the AA say more than 25,000 thousand vehicles a year at last check with the police.

What should you do if your number plates are stolen?

REPORT IT TO THE POLICE, IMMEDIATELY and get a Crime Report Reference Number. By doing this you can ensure you are not incriminated for any criminal activity carried out using your number plates. It's also recommended you let the DVLA know (especially if it's a personalised registration) and tell your insurer your vehicle has been cloned in case it's involved in an accident.

Can you stop it happening? Not really - consider using security screws which can be turned easily using a screwdriver to fit them but can't be undone using normal tools.

A Christmas Time Message? Over the winter dark evenings we unfortunately see a national spike in break-ins and thefts in homes. However, you can make small changes to lessen the risk:

- Avoid telling the world on social media you're off to the Maldives over Christmas.
- Ask neighbours to keep an eye on your property you're while away.
- When you're out/away leave lights on timer switches so it looks like you're home.
- Make sure windows, doors and skylight windows are locked
- Check exterior flood lights and sensors are working.
- Don't leave the presents on show.

When & how to contact the Police: With this news magazine you may find a yellow card to hold onto with useful Police contact information (NhW Chelmsford area had a quantity printed but area distribution is limited however I'm trying to get some more).

The police contacts are unchanged: Use the digital 101 service to contact the local policing team about something you have seen or heard, or request information. A Live Chat service is available to send messages direct to a digital 101 operator. A 24-hour 101 call service is still there if you need to speak to someone or don't have internet access.

Always call 999 if a serious offence is in progress or has just been committed, if someone is in immediate danger or harm, if property is in danger of being damaged, or if serious disruption to the public is likely.

East Hanningfield NhW and Email Alerts: Over 130 EH residents have registered to receive local emailed local crime alerts, but it needs someone to coordinate and feed information into the network and provide feedback to the police. Some people may remember in the last newsmagazine that I said with other personal and village hall commitments I had been unable to keep up with this role and it had become necessary for me to ask if there is anyone else in the village interested in helping with this? Contact me as shown below if you are and I will happily explain more.

Community Speed-Watch Volunteers: We are always looking out for a few more volunteers to join us and share the load. A short training session, bright yellow jacket and insurance come free with the job! Contact us through the NhW email address if interested.

Mike Plumridge, EH NhW Co-Ordinator.

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ALL SAINTS' CHURCH—FROM REV'D JACQUI PEACE THAT THE WORLD CANNOT GIVE



**Church at Night by
Florence Stevens**

Some of us are like Scrooge, moaning that Christmas television advertisements start before Guy Fawkes, that shops put up their Christmas trees in late October, and that we are losing the real meaning of Christmas. The awe and wonder of the Advent season, the Christian time of watching and waiting for the birth of Jesus, has been lost to daily chocolate treats in advent calendars covered in cartoon characters.

Then, some of us are completely invested in Christmas and can't wait for the preparations to begin. We love it when we can start talking about Christmas without people grumbling. We jump at the chance to

wear our favourite Christmas clothes and knitted jumpers. We can't wait to squint at the twinkly lights, enjoy Christmas cake and sing along with the Christmas music on our radios and as we shop.

For some of us, the message of love, joy, hope and peace is empty. For whatever reason, the celebration does nothing for us; we may be distracted, cynical or put our hope in something else rather than the Christian celebration. We don't enjoy the traditions or the Christmas carols; the story doesn't apply to us so we avoid Christmas by retreating into our own world.

Regardless of whether we are grumpy, enthusiastic or indifferent, most of us desire to be loved, to have friendship and a sense of hope in our lives. As Christians, we experience all these things because we have received the most precious gift anyone can ever desire: the peace and understanding



**Christmas Lunch by
Mia Vale**

that Jesus offers us all. Because of Jesus' birth and example, we love others, share joy and have hope far beyond anything this world can ever give.

So come, join us over this festive season at All Saints' as we remember the birth of Jesus and encounter the gift that keeps giving. You will receive a warm welcome, and as your new Priest-in-Charge of East Hanningfield, I would love to get to know you.

With Christmas blessings,
Jacqui

Rev'd Jacqui

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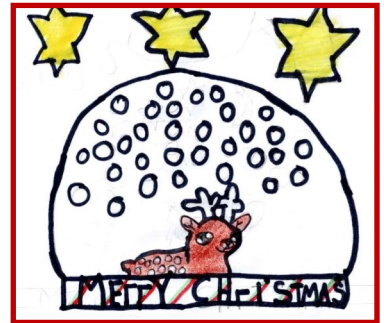
We at All Saints' Church would like to say a big thank you to all those, especially the children and parents of our Primary School, who gave so generously at Harvest time. We can never remember the table being so loaded! Chelmsford Foodbank came to collect the gifts the next day and were amazed and very grateful for such a wonderful amount.

This year at our Remembrance Day service we chose to collect for a small British charity called Scotty's Little Soldiers, which was set up to support children whose parents have died while serving in the Armed Forces. Once again we would like to say thanks for your support, we were delighted to send them a cheque for £266. Did you by chance see them mentioned twice during the coverage on BBC? Marching past the Cenotaph their distinctive yellow and black scarves showed up well and hopefully brought some useful support for the Charity's work.

Gil Gordon



**Merry Christmas by
Abigail Taylor**



**Snow Globe by
Lily Tompkins**



❄️ VILLAGE DIARY DECEMBER-FEBRUARY ❄️

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- Sun 1 9am **HOLY COMMUNION** with Rev. Jacqui King at All Saints' Church.
10.45am **FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel Church
- Tue 3 **BROWN BIN, PLASTICS & CARTONS, PAPER SACK & FOOD WASTE COLLECTIONS**
- Thu 5 7.45 **PRAYER EVENING** at Bethel Church
- Sun 8 10am **MORNING PRAYER** with a healing theme, with Melissa Clark, at All Saints' Church.
10.45am **FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel Church
- Tue 10 **BLACK BIN, GREEN BOX, CARD SACK & FOOD WASTE**
- Thu 12 **☒ COUNTY COUNCIL BY-ELECTION**
7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church.
- Sun 15 10.45am **FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel Church
4pm **CAROL SERVICE** with Rev. Jacqui King, at All Saints' Church. Come and listen to Christmas readings, join in with Carols and listen to the choir before enjoying mince pies and mulled wine, plus refreshments for children.
NO MORNING SERVICE AT 10AM.
2-4pm **CHRISTMAS FAIR** organised by Friends of EHS at the Village Hall
- Tue 17 **BROWN BIN, PLASTICS & CARTONS, PAPER SACK & FOOD WASTE COLLECTIONS**
1.30-2pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at the Folly Bistro
- Wed 18 8-9.45pm **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** in the 1st floor meeting room at the Village Hall
- Thu 19 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church.
- Fri 20 **LAST DAY OF SCHOOL EHPS**
Sandon School finishing 12.45.
- Sun 22 10am **HOLY COMMUNION**, with Rev. Jacqui King, at All Saints' Ch
6pm **EVENING CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE** at Bethel Ch



Christmas Characters
by
Joseph Roworth



Tue 24 BLACK BIN, GREEN BOX, CARD SACK & FOOD WASTE

12 noon **VILLAGE HALL CLOSURES FOR THE HOLIDAY.**

Reopens 2nd January.

1pm **POST OFFICE & SHOP CLOSURES FOR THE HOLIDAY.**

Reopens 2nd January.



4pm **CHRISTMAS EVE CRIB SERVICE** with Canon Andy Griffiths. Children are invited to dress as Nativity characters. Come early if you would like to use any of our costumes-angels, shepherds, animals.

Wed 25 10am CHRISTMAS DAY-SHORT SERVICE for all ages at All Saints Church.



10.30am **CHRISTMAS MORNING SERVICE** at Bethel Church

Sun 29 10am MATINS with Melissa Clark and Fiona Ward at All Saints' Church.

10.45am **FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel Church

Tue 31 NO WASTE COLLECTION



Gingerbread Man
by Sophie Smith



Pets with Presents
by Willow Ward



Snowy Scene by
Ivy Jones



Cat in a Hat by
Arthur Miskin



Snow's Falling by an
Owls Pupil



Cats in the Tree by
Chloe Smith



Snowy Night by
Arabella Smith

FEBRUARY 2025



- Sun 2 9am **BCP COMMUNION**, with Rev. Jacqui King, at All Saints' Church
10.45am **FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel Church
- Tue 4 **BLACK BIN, GREEN BOX, CARD SACK & FOOD WASTE**
- Thu 6 7.45pm **PRAYER EVENING** at Bethel Church.
- Sun 9 10am **MORNING PRAYER** with healing theme, with Melissa Clark, at All Saints' Church
10.45am **FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel Church
- Tue 11 **BROWN BIN, PLASTICS & CARTONS, PAPER SACK & FOOD WASTE COLLECTIONS**
- Thu 13 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church.
- Fri 14 **BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM EHPS & Sandon School**
- Sun 16 10am **HOLY COMMUNION** with Rev. Jacqui King, at All Saints' Church. Followed by refreshments.
10.45am **FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel Church
- Tue 18 **BLACK BIN, GREEN BOX, CARD SACK & FOOD WASTE**
- Wed 19 2 pm **WOMEN'S INSTITUTE MEETING** in the first floor meeting room at the Village Hall
- Thu 20 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church.
- Sun 23 10am **MORNING WORSHIP**, with Melissa Clark, at All Saints' Church.
10.45am **FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel Church
- Mon 24 **BACK TO SCHOOL EHPS & Sandon School**
- Tue 25 **BROWN BIN, PLASTICS & CARTONS, PAPER SACK & FOOD WASTE COLLECTIONS**
- Wed 26 8-9.45pm **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** in the 1st floor meeting room at the Village Hall
- Thu 27 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church.
- Sun 30 10am **MATINS** at All Saints' Church.
10.45am **FAMILY WORSHIP** at Bethel Church

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HOLIDAY CLOSURE

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Tuesday 24th. December and Re-Open on
Thursday, 2nd January 2025



BETHEL CHURCH — Out with the old. In with the new.

If you drove past the church in October, and saw a large skip on the driveway, you might have thought we were doing some building work, or having a big clear-out.

Well in fact, the skip was fully lined-out and became a baptistry pool! We had the great pleasure in baptising three young men, Adam, William, and Ray.

Whilst this might appear a bit unconventional, the occasion was very sincere. These young men made a public declaration of their faith. For anyone looking on, it might have looked a little strange. So why baptism? What is the significance, meaning and purpose of baptism?



When they entered the waters of baptism, they were proclaiming the gospel message. That Jesus died for their sins, was buried, and rose again. By being baptised, they were identifying themselves with Him.

If the meaning of baptism could be summarised in one word, it would be identification. Baptism in Christian faith speaks primarily of personal, public identification with Jesus Christ.

In Romans 6:3-4, the Apostle Paul puts the matter this way:
“Don’t you know that all of us who were baptised into Christ were baptised into his death? We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life.”

So, in the end the skip acted as a great visual metaphor. An old life

being dumped and new-life emerging. We pray for Adam, William, and Ray, that this is an unforgettable moment in their Christian walk.

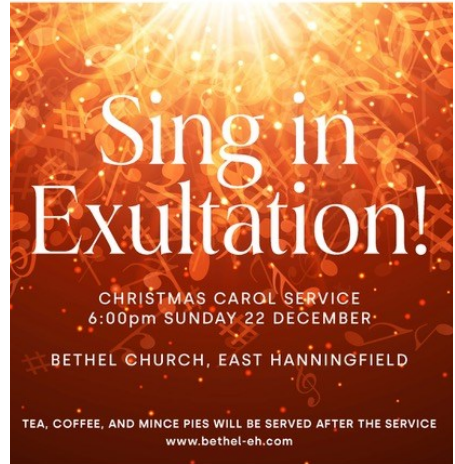
If you would like to know more about the Christian faith, we hold a course called 'Christianity Explored'. There are 6 sessions, set over 6-weeks, where people can come and listen and discuss the key points of the faith, like, who is Jesus, and what was the reason that he came?

Please get in touch if you would like to know more and join us on the next course.

Or, how about joining us for our evening Christmas Carol Service at 6:00pm, Sunday 22 December. We would love to see you.

Can we also take this opportunity to wish you a very happy Christmas, from all your friends at Bethel Church, Old Church Road.

Roydon Hearne
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EAST HANNINGFIELD W. I.

Hello from East Hanningfield W. I. The last time I spoke was the end of Spring, now it is officially Winter, months of cold winds, rain and woolly hats. However, I am going to remind you of Summer and a little sunshine. In August we had a garden party. Wendy Thomas opened her garden on a lovely summer's day, where we were able to sit and enjoy the sun and the quietness of a country Lane. Jenny Mouser helped Wendy as usual in suppling tea, sandwiches and cake. Flora and her daughter-in-law Julie arrived, unknown to Flora, Julie had brought a beautiful birthday cake, Flora's 80th birthday was the following Friday. We all sang Happy Birthday to Flora, plus to others who had a birthday in August, then of course it was more cake.

Then, the time skipped by and it was September and Brian Thurlow came to give his talk on 'The Green Baize Door'. He came along in the persona of a butler of a large estate in the Victorian Era. He was a young boy of 12 when his father became too ill to work, so he, being the eldest of the family, had to leave school to provide for them. Fortunately, he had an uncle who was groom on an Estate, he got him employment working for him cleaning the stables. He worked hard, gradually making his way up the ladder until he became butler. When he retired, he lived in a small house belonging to the estate. Mr Thurlow was so convincing, it was hard to believe this had not been his true path in life.



October brought Mrs Janet Thorogood and friend Jane, to give a flower demonstration. They made beautiful displays, about eight in total. They explained as they went along how to get different effects by the positioning of flowers/greenery in the display. They chatted all the time, some information on what they were doing, some about whose garden they got their flowers from, just general banter, which was as entertaining as the flowers. Once they had finished, we drew the raffle, as the flower displays went into the raffle. I hope the ladies who won managed to get them home in one piece.



November is here already and we are welcoming a lady who is going to tell us about her Creative Journey. Then in December, the members will have a Christmas Lunch.

This is the end 2024 for me. I hope you have been interested in W I activities for the past year. All that is left, is for me to wish East Hanningfield a very Happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year. We will meet again in January when we will be making our choice on the subject the National Federation will harass the government on in 2025, sounds interesting !!!!

Marlene.
President
East Hanningfield W I



**Holly Arrangement
by an Owls pupil**

EAST HANNINGFIELD PRIMARY SCHOOL

It has been a great start to a new academic year at school. In September, we welcomed our new EYFS children. The children have settled into school really well and have enjoyed all of the exciting learning opportunities that we offer at East Hanningfield. Our Year 6 children have been fantastic role models, working hard to be supportive buddies to our new EYFS children and demonstrating our core values of compassion and responsibility.

Our Friends Association has been busy organising events to support fundraising for the school. The children really enjoyed discos organised by Friends, where Mr Forster (our Deputy Head) was the resident DJ! We are eagerly looking forward to the Christmas Fair on 15th December, again organised by our wonderful Friends Association. We hope to see some of you there!

We were delighted to have our Harvest Festival Celebration in All Saints Church with Reverend Jacqui. The children and families enjoyed the class performances and gave thanks for all that we have. Many families also generously donated food to support Chelmsford foodbank. A group of East Hanningfield children ably represented the school at The Remembrance Service on Sunday 10th November. They all worked hard to prepare and read a poem during the service. In school, the children learnt about why we commemorate Remembrance Day.



In October, our Year 6 children attended a five-day residential to Hilltop in Norfolk. During this trip they took part in a variety of exciting activities including: archery, an assault course, high ropes, zip wires and the big swing. They all had a fantastic time together and further developed their confidence and resilience.

Our Year 1 and 2 children have been learning about The Great Fire of London and thoroughly enjoyed an exciting day in school where they learnt more about what life was like in 1666.



In November, we also participated in Children in Need, further developing the children's understanding of our key values of compassion, community and responsibility. We often talk and plan learning focusing on the children making a difference and giving something back, and through our charity and fundraising work the children understand the importance of this and feel proud of their efforts in real life.

We are now looking forward to Christmas season and can not wait for the class performances which include festive carols and an EYFS nativity in the church, and Christmas Story themed productions.

Wishing you all a wonderful Christmas and a healthy, happy new year.
Lisa Stainsbury
Head of School



Christmas Present by Matilda Miskin



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NEW SEN CLUB

We are excited to announce SEN Club is coming to East Hanningfield Village Hall!

The 'stay and play' club for children with special needs and their families was set up by a family of a ten year old little boy with non verbal autism. They very much wanted a place where amazing children and their families could come together and have fun.

There are a variety of activities for children to explore including toys, biscuit decorating and crafts. The children also enjoy parachute games to music and a lovely outdoor area.

The club is held on a Sunday 10.30am to 12.30pm at East Hanningfield Village Hall. Sessions are suitable for children under 12 years old.

Entry is £11 per child and £5.50 per sibling. Please purchase a ticket before arrival by contacting Laura.

For further information please contact Laura

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Santa and a Reindeer by Violet Stevens



Reindeer with Baubles by Sofia Hill



News from East Hanningfield Pre-School

A warm welcome from all at Preschool. It is that time of year where we pull out the glitter and sparkles, and we go full steam ahead with Christmas crafts and preparations for our exciting Christmas show. The children are working super hard to learn their Christmas songs, with actions and dances. We are so proud of them.

This year we have great raffle prizes up for grabs. Please pop into preschool if you would like to get some tickets, and have a chance to win our fantastic prizes. We would also like to thank our local businesses for donating these wonderful gifts, we appreciate it so much!

Prizes

Weekend away in Norfolk, Meal for 2 at The Royal Tiger.

1 hour Jump session at Air hop Chelmsford.

£40 meal voucher at the Old windmill pub

Dontate gifts from Alistair Black Jewellers

£15 Perry woods Voucher

And lots more!

We still have places available for 2-4-year-old children, please come down and visit us for a play date.

Also, eligible working parents will be able to claim 15 hours childcare support once their child turns 2 years old.

Please visit www.childcarechoices.gov.uk to apply.

Could we ask you to sign up to Easy Fundraising, every time you shop you can raise vital funds for our preschool, all you **have to** do is sign up, once registered any purchases made through the app or website, the companies will donate money to the preschool. Please find Link below: or alternatively download the app on your smart phone.

www.easyfundraising.org.uk/causes/east-hanningfield-preschool/

We are also selling bingo numbers each month: £1 each per number, each number sold will be put into a bingo pot to be picked out at random, the winning number will receive half the money raised, the rest will go to preschool. Please pop in and grab a number.

Dates for your Diary

Christmas shop opens – Monday 2nd December
Christmas show – Wednesday 11th December 11am
Last Day of Term – Friday 13th December
Return to Preschool – Monday 6th January

If you might be interested in your child joining us and would like to come for a visit, please contact us by phone or email us. We also have a website. We take 2 year old funding as well as 3-4-year funding.

Kerry

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