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A NINETEENTH CENTURY WATERCOLOUR OF
RAILS FARM HOUSE BY AN UNKNOWN ARTIST

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EAST HANNINGFIELD ARCHIVE

It is gratifying to see that the website statistics show that use is being made of the availability of past issues of the News. Do take a look at some of the other content. There is a lot of information there, although mostly nineteenth and early twentieth century.

As a reminder, here is where you can find the archive

e-voice.org.uk/eharchive/

There is plenty of space if you have photographs or articles that you would like to share. Please send them to the editor at the email address above.

COVER ILLUSTRATION

The Essex Record Office has a watercolour by A.B. Bamford of Willis Farm, which appears to have been taken from the same spot as this painting. Perhaps the two artists sat at their easels side by side, one facing north and one facing east. The road must have been much quieter than it is now!

PARISH COUNCIL

This newsletter reports on the recent work of the Parish Council to improve the Village.

Tye Footpath.

This is now complete and provides a smoother and wider path from the Folly Bistro to Old Church Road. Two people can now walk side by side and pushing or using a wheelchair is much easier. The damage to the grass has now been repaired but will need some more grass seed this Autumn. It is unfortunate that when we wanted it dry we had continuous rain and when we wanted it wet we had continuous dry!

Village Sign

The Village Sign has now been installed and is an attractive addition to the Tye. We will be adding a polished concrete base to add to its appearance and protect it from mowing machines.

Telephone Box

The telephone box is an integral part of the appearance of the Tye but has been declared redundant by OpenReach. It has been purchased by the Parish Council for a token sum and has now received some essential maintenance. We have shot blasted away the years of accumulated paint and grime and given it a new coat of that iconic red paint. The scratched and cloudy plastic glazing has been removed and replaced with toughened glass. Next we will add shelves and the volunteers who run the book sale in the Village Hall will stock it with paper backs which will be free to borrow.

Hoppit Play Area

We have two play areas in the village. One in Hannas Field run by the Hall charity the second is in the Coude Dennis estate. This is maintained by the Parish Council after Chelmsford Borough Council (as it

was then) expressed a wish to close it to save money. The Hoppit Play Area as it is called is focussed on infants and toddlers whilst Hannas Field caters for the slightly older.

If you are new to the Village you may not know of the Hoppit Play area as it is well hidden in the centre of the estate. You can find it at the end of Catherine Close or Fillioll Close.

You are encouraged to use it. "Use it or Lose it".

The Parish are in the middle of some improvements to the play equipment and layout of the Hoppit play area. With the help of a grant from Essex County Council we are adding a new spinner or roundabout which will be at ground level so accessible to children of all abilities, even in a wheelchair.

We will be also undertaking some essential maintenance of the existing play equipment and making some safety improvements.

The old safety matting will be removed and a new poured safety surface poured over the asphalt and concrete circles around the play areas.

Most of the railings will be removed to open the area up so that we have room to add some picnic tables so that the whole family can enjoy the space not just the child.

The play area has had vandalism in the past. This is normally youths who are bored. The best defence is for local residents to frequent the area and make it clear that they will be identified and reported.

The Parish Council has already taken responsibility for mowing the grass areas of the estate. Together with making the Hoppit play area into a local park perhaps we can begin to generate enough civic pride to discourage the all too frequent fly tipping of rubbish by residents. This is just vandalism by adults who should know better.

Other News

You will read an account of the Village Fete elsewhere in this news let-

ter. The Parish Council would like to thank the organisers who made this happen. After last year's atrocious weather they showed amazing fortitude and optimism. Congratulations.

The small army of volunteers on the day demonstrated that "Many hands make light Work" is absolutely true. Thanks to all of you.

Malcolm Thomas
Chair EHPC

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HANNA'S FIELD CHARITY

Village Hall & Playing Fields

It does not seem possible to be writing the Autumn copy already, but sadly this is true!

The first item is about our successful Village Fete on 5th of July, raising over £3,500 profit which is shared between All Saints Church and Hanna's Field Charity.

Our very sincere thanks also have to go to our sponsors for the event, **D Chennells Ltd and J Gard & Sons Ltd** plus many other local businesses, donating prizes for the Big Raffle. Without this help we could not put on the full programme of events on the day, to then raise funds for our various projects of improvement and maintenance. An extensive amount of hard work goes into the planning of this event and without the volunteers giving up their time before and on the day, it could not take place. So, a very big pat on the back to all who came to help, **it is so very much appreciated**. Thank you also to everyone who came along to enjoy the event, without you it would be a dead duck! Thankfully this year the weather was much kinder to us, not a lot of sun and quite windy but it did stay dry! Our prayers were answered!

For Hanna's Field Charity, the fundraising money received will go towards the replacement of some of the play equipment on the field. We will also be seeking to apply for any Grants that may be available (often these require match-funding) so it will be a fairly slow process to gradually replace both the rubber safety matting (which costs as much as the items) and new pieces of equipment. As we have tried to make people aware before there is no magic tree of money available from City Councils or Government, as many people do assume.

During the Whitsun week at the end of May the Hall cladding was repainted (a very expensive specialist paint product which has to be applied in the right weather conditions) and following on from this the Storage container on the field was also painted, (using the remaining paint from the cladding) some extra work on some rusted areas with special treatment and then applying a rubberised paint to the roof, which should give us many years of protection from the elements. Also, during August, we had our annual electrical / PAT testing undertaken (which is a good time when the bookings are quieter with the summer break).

One of the benches was again uplifted from its concrete base, just mindless vandalism! This has now been relocated to a new position on the field.

A new sign was recently installed on the Village Hall (the original hav-



ing lasted many years) plus a new Car Park sign in the Chase to show this is 'Private Parking' for the Village Hall, Post Office/Shop and use for the School/Pre-School for drop off and collection, together with a new sign on the gate of the Children's Play area on the field (advising who is responsible for these facilities).

The next fundraising event will be the Annual Art Show which will take place on Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th October (see the separate advert) with the Preview evening on Friday 3rd, which is by Invitation. We will soon be making contact with those in the village who have helped to make up our merry band of volunteers, again we could not possibly run this event without their invaluable help. The 'Books for Sale' in our Loft Library will also be available for purchase over this weekend.

We hope you have all enjoyed using the field over the summer months, utilising the lines marked out and the five-a-side goal posts that we put out for the youngsters to use.



Play in the Park

Not looking forward to the nights starting to pull in yet, but inevitable!
Wishing you all a good Autumn, and look forward to hopefully see you at the Annual Art Show.

Jenny Mouser

HFC Chairperson ✨ <https://e-voice.org.uk/hannasfield/>

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THANK YOU!



A big thank you to all involved in this year Summer Fete

We are proud to announce that this years event raised just over £3,500 which will be divided equally between All Saints Church and Hanna's Field Charity.

The Charity maintains and improves the hall, playing fields and play equipment, which is such a vital part of our village. All Saints Church will put the money towards further work to protect the church.

The weather was kind to us this year and it was great to see so many people from in and around the village attend to support the event.

We want to say a big thank you to all our sponsors, to our main Sponsors D Chennells Ltd and J Gard and Sons Ltd, along with Bond Residential who help with our advertising for the day.

Also a big thank you to all our sponsors of events and those who kindly donated prizes to our Grand prize draw.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank all the volunteers who helped with the set up and take down, and to all the volunteer's who helped to run the event on the day.

With out all your joint efforts we would not be able to run these events.

The Fete Committee



NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

Reminder - When & How You Can Contact the Police:

Report with as much detail as possible, using the most appropriate route as detailed below;

- 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 a serious disruption to the public is likely.
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- Reporting crime, incidents, and information online (see www.essex.police.uk)
- Contacting police via online live chat (also via the police website) to send messages direct to an operator.

Mike Plumridge, EH NhW Co-Ordinator.

Email: NHWEastHanningfield@outlook.com.

Phone: Leave a message on 01245-400628

EH COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH (CSW):

Most people in the village will have seen us from time-to-time monitoring motorists' speed through the village. We operate regular CSW checks at police approved sites in Old Church Road, The Tye, Bicknacre Road and the Common, sometimes supported by traffic police. There were 79 serious Essex road casualties recorded in June (compared with 81 in May) and it's a well-established fact that collisions, deaths and injuries caused by driving too fast are largely avoidable if speed limits are complied with (for pedestrian and cyclists especially, speeding is also perceived as antisocial). The regular village speed checks act as a deterrent for motorists passing through our village, encouraging them to stick to our 30mph speed limits.

There are currently nine public spirited residents who give up their time rain or shine to keep this effort going (three teams of 3) but we would gladly welcome a bit more help. A short training session, hi-vis

jacket, a bodycam and insurance come with the job! Contact us through the email address below if interested.

Is “20 Plenty”? If you were at the Village Fete in July, you may have been one of 100 people who were asked the question:

“To improved road safety, would you support the introduction of a 20mph speed limit in all or some of the village”.

The response was overwhelming in favour (99% wanted a 20mph limit in some or all the village). This was a very quick survey by a CSW member in response to a question from Essex SERP (Safer Essex Roads Partnership) seeking to understand whether there are communities which would like/are pushing for a 20mph speed limit **on residential roads and areas where people live, work, and play** to understand the level of support across Essex for this approach. Although limited and not a survey of all the residents in the parish our snapshot survey tends to indicate a wide support from residents. The survey results were sent to SERP and copied to the Parish Council for information (SERP are a collaboration between Essex County Council, Essex Police, Essex Fire & Rescue, and National Highways).

The SERP (which does not implement speed limits) is simply seeking to understand the level of community support for lower limits in residential areas/communities.

This limited survey does not mean that anything will happen here, however the **“20's Plenty for Us”** campaign slowly gathers momentum. Wales implemented a national 20mph speed limit on roads with street lighting in September 2023 and Scotland aims to have 20mph as the default limit across all councils by the end of 2025. In England, more than 60 local authorities are committed to 20mph in areas where people live, work, or play and 22 out of 32 London boroughs have so far either implemented or committed to 20mph as the norm.

As someone pointed out to me, if the main route through the village (at most half mile long) had a 20mph rather 30mph limit the journey time would only be increased by 30 seconds (but it may have saved a cyclist or pedestrian's life)...food for thought!

Mike Plumridge, EH CSW

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ALL SAINTS' CHURCH

THE GIFT OF LOVE

In the last few months, I've seen a lot of love shown to others. I've watched the sparkle in the eyes of wedding couples as they talk about how they met and fell in love. I've listened to families remembering what they loved about the person they will soon lay to rest. I've seen the love and concern of those devoted to the sick and lonely. I've experienced the love and commitment that went into our village fete, where I fell in love with an old enamel jug, which I now use as a vase for the flowers I love to receive, or can't resist buying for myself!

I like the framework that the author of the book 'The Five Love Languages' suggests we employ to show our love. He helps us understand that sometimes we express love through words of affirmation, acts of service, spending quality time with someone, through physical touch, or by giving gifts like flowers.

The well-known Bible passage from 1 Corinthians chapter 13, verses 4-7, also explains how to recognise someone loving and caring for our well-being. It tells us that love is demonstrated through patience, kindness, and the absence of jealousy, arrogance, rudeness, or pride. True love is much more than being good friends, affectionate partners, or the deep bond sometimes experienced in families. The love described in this passage is of a higher level, as it explains the love that God has for us (agape love).

Love is patient; love is kind; love is not envious or boastful or arrogant or rude. It does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice in wrongdoing, but rejoices in the truth. ⁷It bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

We are born with the innate ability to love as God loves us. We can all love in ways that nurture and build loving, selfless, and beautiful relationships that thrive, especially during difficult and challenging times. The devastating house fires that have affected families in the village have stirred in this community an outpouring of generosity and love as modelled and revealed to us by Jesus.

May God's love guide us, forgive us and continue to help us build loving and compassionate communities. God's love is expressed *through us ... we are vessels of God's love; we are the flowers fed and watered by God that colour each other's lives.*

With love and blessings,
Jacqui

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EAST HANNINGFIELD DIARY


SEPTEMBER

Tue	2	BLACK BIN, FOOD WASTE, GREEN BOX, CARD SACK COLLECTIONS
Wed	3	BACK TO SCHOOL EHPS & SANDON SCHOOL Yr 7 & Sixth Form
Thu	4	BACK TO SCHOOL SANDON SCHOOL Yrs 8-11. 7.45pm PRAYER MEETING at Bethel Church
Sun	7	9am HOLY COMMUNION (BCP) with Rev. Jacqui King at All Saints' Church 10.45am FAMILY SERVICE at Bethel Church
Mon	8	1st DAY BACK AT EH PRESCHOOL
Tue	9	BROWN BIN, FOOD WASTE, PLASTICS & CARTONS, PAPER SACK COLLECTIONS
Thu	11	7.45pm BIBLE STUDY at Bethel Church
Sat	13	10.30am-4pm CHURCH OPEN DAY celebrating the 140 th anniversary of the present All Saint's Church. Exhibiting the history of the fire in the old church and the construction and opening of the new church. Refreshments and children's activities will be available.
Sun	14	10am MORNING WORSHIP WITH HEALING - led by Fiona Ward. Talk on history of All Saints, at All Saints' Church 10.45am FAMILY SERVICE at Bethel Church
Tue	16	BLACK BIN, FOOD WASTE, GREEN BOX, CARD SACK COLLECTIONS 1.30-2pm MOBILE LIBRARY at Village Hall car park.
Wed	17	1.30-4.30pm WI MEETING in the 1 st floor meeting room at the Village Hall.
Thu	18	7.45pm BIBLE STUDY at Bethel Church
Sun	21	10am HOLY COMMUNION with Archdeacon Jonathan - Refreshments afterwards at All Saints' Church 10.45am FAMILY SERVICE at Bethel Church
Tue	23	BROWN BIN, FOOD WASTE, PLASTICS & CARTONS, PAPER SACK COLLECTIONS

September continued:

- Wed 24 8pm **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** in the 1st floor meeting room at the Village Hall. <https://easthanningfield-pc.gov.uk/category/agendas/>
- Thu 25 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church
- Sun 28 10am **MORNING WORSHIP** led by Malcolm Lyell – Helen Lyell to preach at All Saints' Church
10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Tue 30 **BLACK BIN, FOOD WASTE, GREEN BOX, CARD SACK COLLECTIONS**

OCTOBER

- Thu 2 7.45pm **PRAYER MEETING** at Bethel Church
- Fri 3 **NON PUPIL DAY SANDON SCHOOL**
- Sat 4 10am-5pm **ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION & SALE**, including the Preloved Books Sale at the Village Hall
- Sun 5 9am **HOLY COMMUNION** (BCP) with Rev. Jacqui King
10am-4pm **ANNUAL ART EXHIBITION & SALE**, including the Preloved Books Sale at the Village Hall
10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Tue 7 **BROWN BIN, FOOD WASTE, PLASTICS & CARTONS, PAPER SACK COLLECTIONS**
 1.30-2pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Village Hall car park.
- Thu 9 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church
- Sun 12 10am **HARVEST FESTIVAL** with Canon Andy Griffiths at All Saints' Church
10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Tue 14 **BLACK BIN, FOOD WASTE, GREEN BOX, CARD SACK COLLECTIONS**
- Wed 15 1.30-4.30pm **WI MEETING** in the 1st floor meeting room at the Village Hall.
- Thu 16 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church
- Sun 19 10am **HOLY COMMUNION** with Rev. Jacqui King. Refreshments afterwards at All Saints' Church
10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Tue 21 **BROWN BIN, FOOD WASTE, PLASTICS & CARTONS, PAPER SACK COLLECTIONS**

October continued:


- Thu 23 **BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM EHPS**
7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church
- Fri 24 **BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM EH PRESCHOOL**
BREAK UP FOR HALF TERM SANDON SCHOOL
- Sun 26 2am **CLOCKS GO BACK ONE HOUR**
10am **ALL SOULS' SERVICE** to remember those we have loved who have passed from this life to the next – Lesley Watkin to preach at All Saints' Church.
10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Tue 28 **BLACK BIN, FOOD WASTE, GREEN BOX, CARD SACK COLLECTIONS**
1.30-2pm **MOBILE LIBRARY** at Village Hall car park.
- Wed 29 8pm **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** in the 1st floor meeting room at the Village Hall. <https://easthanningfield-pc.gov.uk/category/agendas/>
- Thu 30 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church
- Fri 31 **HALLOWEEN**—HAVE FUN AND STAY SAFE 🦉 🍁 🦇

NOVEMBER

- Sun 2 9am **HOLY COMMUNION** (BCP) with Rev. Jacqui King
10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Mon 3 **BACK TO SCHOOL EHPS & SANDON SCHOOL**
BACK TO EH PRESCHOOL
- Tue 4 **BROWN BIN, FOOD WASTE, PLASTICS & CARTONS, PAPER SACK COLLECTIONS**
- Wed 5 **BONFIRE NIGHT**—Remember, remember the people & animals who are frightened or upset by loud bangs!
- Thu 6 7.45pm **PRAYER MEETING** at Bethel Church
- Sun 9 10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
10.50 am **SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE** - we gather at the War Memorial. the laying of the wreaths followed by 2 mins silence at 11 am. The service then continues inside the church with Canon Andy Griffiths, at All Saints' Church



November continued:

- Tue 11 **BLACK BIN, FOOD WASTE, GREEN BOX, CARD SACK COLLECTIONS**
- Thu 13 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church
- Sun 16 10am **HOLY COMMUNION** with Rev. Jacqui King. Refreshments afterwards at All Saints' Church
10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Tue 18 **BROWN BIN, FOOD WASTE, PLASTICS & CARTONS, PAPER SACK COLLECTIONS**
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- Wed 19 1.30-4.30pm **WI MEETING** in the 1st floor meeting room at the Village Hall.
- Thu 20 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church
- Sun 23 10am **MORNING WORSHIP** with Gil Gordon at All Saints' Church
10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church
- Tue 25 **BLACK BIN, FOOD WASTE, GREEN BOX, CARD SACK COLLECTIONS**
- Wed 26 8pm **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** in the 1st floor meeting room at the Village Hall. <https://easthanningfield-pc.gov.uk/category/agendas/>
- Thu 27 7.45pm **BIBLE STUDY** at Bethel Church
- Fri 28 **NON-PUPIL DAY SANDON SCHOOL**
- Sun 30 10am **MATINS** with Fiona Ward at All Saints' Church
10.45am **FAMILY SERVICE** at Bethel Church

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CONSULTATION ON SUPPORTED BUS SERVICES



The consultation runs until Monday 27 October 2025 and focuses on services that are currently funded by Essex taxpayers. These supported services mainly operate in rural areas, evenings, and Sundays—times when buses are less commercially viable. Around 85% of the Essex bus network is run by transport operators, but the remaining 15% is supported by the Council, costing around £11 million each year.

ECC wants to make sure the bus network continues to provide good value for money while meeting passenger needs. Your views will play an important role in shaping the future of local bus services. To participate go to <https://consultations.essex.gov.uk/iptu/localbus2025/>



ONE HUNDRED YEARS AGO-A ROYAL VISIT

H.R.H. Princess Marie Louise arrived at Chelmsford by the 11.52 train on Friday 9th. January, 1925 and motored to the “leper colony” where she stayed for the weekend.. Princess Marie Louise was the President of the Homes of St. Giles for Lepers.



BETHEL CHURCH

380 years in the making.

Not one, but six of our folk celebrated significant birthdays this year. These were birthdays that were accompanied with a zero, when you move into another decade of your life.

Here's a breakdown:
A 40-year-old, a 50-year-old, two 60-year-olds, an 80-year-old and a 90-year-old. 380 years in total! So, we had a big church picnic in the summer to enjoy their special days.



One of the things our birthday boys and girls will agree on, is that the world is certainly a different place to the one they entered. Even the 'baby' at 40, can say that in four decades, she has been part of world that has undergone significant transformations, particularly in technology, social dynamics, and global interconnectedness. The rise of the internet and mobile technology has revolutionized communication and access to information. Even the red phone box on The Tye is now a library!

But can we hand-on-heart say that the world is a better place today? Global warming. Moral and social decline. The cost of living. And the threat that Ai will soon take over the world. If we are not careful, it could lead us to become scared of our own shadow.

The Bible offers hope for the world's future by promising a time when suffering and injustice will be eliminated through God's Kingdom, and replaced with peace, prosperity, and eternal life to all those who believe. It emphasizes that while the current world is marked by prob-

lems, these are temporary and will be overcome. In other words, God has other plans.

So, here are six reasons our six celebrants will have a happy birthday:

They are made in the image and likeness of God, their life has been given great meaning and purpose by God, and he has breathed into them the breath of life (Gen 1:26).

They are confident knowing that the day of their death will be better than the day of their birth. They will leave a world of fading, vanishing pleasures for a world of substantial, durable joys and delights (Ecc 7:1).

He is able to keep them from stumbling and to present them blameless before the presence of his glory with great joy (Jude 1:24).

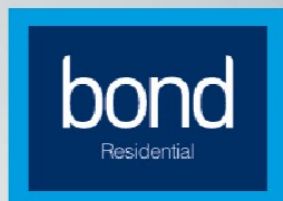
They have been crucified with Christ. It is no longer they who live, but Christ who lives in them. And the life they now live in the flesh they live by faith in the Son of God, who loved them and gave himself for them (Gal 2:20).

There is no condemnation for them because they are in Christ Jesus. The Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead dwells in them; he who raised Christ Jesus from the dead will also give life to their mortal bodies through his Spirit who dwells in them (Rom 8:1).

Jesus has opened his arms and invited them to come to Him, to take His yoke upon them and learn from Him. In Him they are finding rest for their souls (Matt 11:28-29).

If you would like to know more about Christianity and how you too can be sure of the hope that Jesus Christ gives to all who receive him, we would like to invite you to a short course, 'Christianity Explored'. Please get in touch to arrange a suitable time 01245 400665.

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Last time I wrote for the magazine I mentioned the next meeting, would be May, it would also be our AGM, followed by a party to celebrate VE Day. We seemed to get through the AGM very quickly. Possibly because the Committee stayed the same or because tea and cake were hovering in the background. We were a bit unlike a W I in that we bought sandwiches ready made, but we did have homemade cake and scones which were delicious. There is something about homemade cakes that makes them a special treat. Apart from the cakes it was good to remember the past, it helps to bring about a positive future.

We soon arrived at June when we had a very relaxed meeting doing craft. This year it was making a birthday card. We started off with a demonstration of how to make three basic cards and suggestions for members to make a card of their own. We had different coloured card, patterned paper and decorations to rummage through to make our masterpiece. Some members make cards as a hobby, probably more complicated than ours, but a simple one meant everyone could join in, chat and drink tea while they worked.

Our next Meeting was July. Helen Beard came along to talk about 'Dogs as Therapy'. This is an organisation where volunteers are willing to have their dog trained to become a 'patting dog'. The training is quite vigorous and strict. Some volunteers take their dogs to gun dog training, it makes the dogs very obedient. Patients in a home or a hospice can stroke and pat the dogs. It has been proved that this has a calming effect. Dogs can also prove beneficial in Family Courts when Custody decisions are made. Helen was extremely interesting but I am afraid the stars of the Show were Sapphire and Steel two adorable black labradors. They were so well behaved. They seemed to know who would give them a bit of attention and a pat. They stayed for tea and the rest of the meeting much to the joy of the members.

Well, here we are at the end of the school Summer holidays already. As for the W I we will have had a stately home to visit and a Garden Party to attend. More on them in the next edition.

Marlene
President, East Hanningfield W.I.

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PRIMARY ACADEMY

The East Hanningfield CofE Primary Academy community enjoyed another fantastic summer term, with much for everyone to enjoy and celebrate.

This term is always a sporty one! In June, we held our annual sports day. This was a wonderful event, where the children competed in a carousel of different sporting activities and flat races. This year, the children competed in house teams, alongside their siblings. It was great to see them all trying their best, working together as a team and celebrating each other's successes. Later in the term, some of our Key Stage 2 children represented East Hanningfield at District Sports and children in Year 2 participated in an annual Mini Games Tournament. All of our children taking part in these events represented our school beautifully and we are very proud of them all.

In the spring term, Kingfisher Class wrote persuasive letters, sharing their exciting ideas for the future. One child wrote a letter to me, asking to hold a talent show. This sounded like a great idea to me so the School Council planned the event: 'East Hanningfield's Got Talent', which took place in the last week of term. Many of our children participated in the class auditions and bravely showcased their talent to their peers. The final was especially wonderful, highlighting the confidence





and diverse talents of our children; it was such a joy to witness them shine brightly on stage! A special mention must be made to our Year 6 hosts and judges, who were just wonderful and made the show even better than we could have imagined. Children and staff alike agreed that this was one of the best events that we have had and so you can be sure it will return again next year!



The Year 6 children enjoyed an end of year trip to play mini golf, partly funded by our fantastic Friends Association, who used some of the money they raised from their fund-

raising events to provide our leavers with this memorable experience. I would like to thank East Hanningfield's Friends for all of their hard work and organisation in raising the funds which provide the lovely extras at

our school, helping to create special moments for the children.

In the summer term, our Year 6 children used their time to prepare for the next step in their education – secondary school. The children participated in a special Leavers' Service at Chelmsford Cathedral. The theme this year was trees – focusing on the importance of roots, staying grounded and growing as they move on to secondary school. They took part in a range of fun craft activities, enjoyed some great singing and listened to an inspiring speech from the Bishop. As always, the children behaved brilliantly and were polite and thoroughly engaged in all of the activities. It was a lovely and memorable way to mark the end of their time in primary school! Our Year 6 children have been an absolute pleasure to teach and we will miss them all dearly. Well done Year 6 and we wish you all the best for the future!

As well as our Year 6 starting a new phase in their education, we are excited to welcome our new EYFS children into our lovely school in September.

I hope that you all had a wonderful summer break and look forward to updating you all with our adventures later in the autumn term.

Kind regards,
Mrs Stainsbury,
Head of School

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News from East Hanningfield Pre-School

A warm welcome from all at East Hanningfield Preschool.

We would like to welcome our children and parents back for the Autumn term. We are excited to start our new topics and new term of learning.



Dates for your Diary

First day of Term Monday 8th September

Last day of Term: Friday 24th October

Half term: 27th October – 31st October

First day back: Monday 3rd November

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

Also, eligible working parents will be able to claim 30 hours childcare support from September. Please visit www.childcarechoices.gov.uk to apply.

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If you might be interested in your child joining us and would like to come for a visit, please contact us on

07732 951613 or email us at ehps1@live.co.uk.

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