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## Events & Information Diary

### Thursday 9th June

**Terriers W.I. Meeting 7:45pm at Cedar Park School, Hazlemere**

Monthly meeting of the W.I. Talk this month is on "Laughter in the Village". New members welcome. (See P.5 for more information)

**Wycombe Wenches W.I. Meeting 8pm Totteridge Community Centre**

Monthly meeting of the W.I. held on the second Thursday of each month. New members welcome. (See P. 13 for more information)

### Thursday 23rd June

**EU Referendum Day. Polling stations open 7am to 10pm**

### Friday 24th June

**Rennie Grove Hospice Care Groovy Shoes Day**

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### Saturday 2nd to Saturday 16th July 10am - 4pm daily

**Fillington Farm Silver Summer exhibition**

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### Sunday 10th July

**Pann Mill open Day, The Rye, High Wycombe 11am - 5pm**

The mill will be open to visitors with free admission. Freshly milled wholemeal flour will be for sale plus refreshments and more.

### Sunday 17th July

**Chiltern Cycle Festival, Penn House (Between Penn Street & Winchmore Hill)**

### Friday 20th August

**T& T News Deadline for the autumn 2016 edition of the magazine**

### Monday 29th August

**Hazlemere Fete midday to 5pm Hazlemere Community Centre**

The fete with something for all the family! There will be displays in the arena, side shows, food stalls and plenty of goodies to buy and games to play. T & T News will be there too so come and see us at the fete.

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## WELCOME TO T&T NEWS

Hello,

Welcome to the summer 2016 edition of T & T News.

As usual we have a packed edition of 32 pages. There is news from South Bucks Hospice as they look forward to the opening of the new hospice in little over a year. An update on Girlguiding, news from Chameleon, Church news, Police update, Totteridge FC and more.

Steve Baker also does his regular column this time focusing on his view on the forthcoming EU referendum. There are of course two sides to this argument and T&T News remains neutral on this issue. We will still be here either way after the referendum. The only encouragement we would give is go out and give your vote. It is probably one of the most important issues of our lifetimes and will shape our country for decades ahead.

Finally we always need your news even between issues so do keep it coming. Events can be added to our web site but only if you let us know.

Happy reading until next time!

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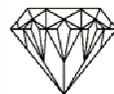
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## **HAZLEMERE FETE**

As mentioned above, the August bank holiday Hazlemere Fete has become a significant fund raiser for us. For the 5th year running we will be attending with our ever so popular 'beat-the-keeper'; this provides an excellent opportunity to show case the club to attract new players and volunteers as well provide a bit of fun to the punters. The BBQ is the real money spinner though, but last year we had to share the profits with another group in order to provide enough help serving our customers. We are hoping to keep this 'in-house' this year but will need volunteers to step forward and help for at least part of the event.

## **NEXT SEASON**

Next season we continue with the 4 same teams all moving on one year: so we will be fielding sides in the Under 10's, Under 11's, Under 12's and Under 16's age groups. As always we are looking for players to join these groups and for volunteers to start up new teams to cover a larger age range.

The team manager/coaching are voluntary positions and a FA Level 1 coaching certificate is desirable but not essential as the club will subsidise the cost of training to the right person.

Sport helps children develop in many ways, learning key skills for life such as team work, communication and problem solving whilst providing a fun and challenging environment to maintain their fitness levels. Our qualified FA coaches are there to ensure that the children develop their skills at their own pace and have the satisfaction of putting them into practise against players of their own age.

If you are interested in joining in any capacity, please contact Peter Jemmett by email peterjemmett@aol.com or call the appropriate team manager:

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Under 11's – Tahir Aziz 07838 579217

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### AWARDS

As per the last couple of years, we all descended down to Frankie & Benny's for our annual end of season awards and was pleased to welcome as our guest of honour Cllr Harry Bull who recently made a generous donation to the club. Amidst the normal player achievement awards there were a few top club honours that I feel deserve a special mention here:

**'Frankie & Benny's Exceptional Young Person'** - This open award and is in its third year. Peter Matthews is the older brother of one of our players and over the last couple of years has been helping the coaches with the matches & training sessions; he has taken on a lot of responsibility for such a young lad and has even put on some decent sessions of his own. Peter is a very deserving winner.



**'Chapman-Jemmett Special Contribution Shield'** – Shafique Eisa, together with his wife Louise, ran our BBQ stall at last year's Hazlemere Fete in what turned out to be the single largest fund raiser in the club's 20 year history. In addition, he arranged a kit sponsorship with McDonalds which enabled us to start up a new age group and provide football to more players, all this was achieved while he has no player involvement in the club.

**'Chairman's Award, Clubman of the Year'** - Last in this line up is Frank Milligan. Frank, a qualified FA coach, was 'press-ganged' into running our Under 9's at the start of last season to keep the team together. Very much out of his comfort zone, Frank faced problems with player availability but with a small squad he got them playing consistently and picking up some excellent results along the way.

**'Outstanding Service Awards'** - After 14 years' service, father and son team of Richard & Jack Porter are retiring from the club. Jack joined as a 7 year old and played right through all the ages before gaining his coaching certificates and helping dad over the last few years with the current Under 15's. Richard 'managed' most of the teams Jack played in plus dabbled with a couple of others and has won a fair smattering of honours down the years as has the 3rd member of this group Steve Jackson, who started around the same time. Steve seems to have been involved in some capacity with most of our teams either as manager or assistant as well providing valuable services and years of amusement via the club web site and social media. I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for all they have done to help the club get to where it is today.



### Terriers Evening W.I.

We learned in March, from Dr Barry Hughes, how dogs are being trained to be used in the detection of certain medical conditions and how effective they are.

As a complete contrast, in April we had a fascinating glimpse into the life and times of the Queen's grandmother, Queen Mary. This was accompanied by a wealth of books and memorabilia to browse through, belonging to the speaker, Mr R.J Carter.

Traditionally, the May meeting is given over to debating the topics going forward to the National AGM in June. This year the we had to decide how to advise our delegate to vote on the following subjects :-

- 1) that supermarkets should voluntarily commit to redistributing surplus food to charities and
- 2) that facilities should be made available in hospitals to allow the carers of dementia sufferers to stay with the patient in hospital.

After discussion the delegate was advised to vote in favour of the dementia care proposal but was given discretion as to how to vote in respect of the food waste topic. Whichever resolution is adopted at the AGM will become a focus of national campaigning by the WI.

We shall be operating a stall at the Pann Mill Open Days on 10 July and 11 September when we shall have, for example cakes, preserves and crafts for sale.

#### Subsequent WI meetings are on:

- |             |                            |
|-------------|----------------------------|
| 9 June      | Laughter in the village    |
| 7 July      | Garden Party               |
| 8 September | Writing and other lunacies |

We meet at Cedar Park School, Cedar Avenue, Hazlemere at 7.45pm. and are always pleased to welcome new members.

**For further details contact Margaret O'Connor 075026 12093**

## Rabbit Healthcare in the Summer

As the weather begins to warm up, rabbits are at an increased risk of getting flystrike. This condition predominately occurs in warmer weather where fly eggs hatch around the rabbit's rear end and the maggots eat away at tissue which can progress and potentially become fatal if not treated.

In order to prevent this, it is advisable to keep the rabbit's environment clean and dry, making sure to remove any soiled bedding materials at least once a day. Providing your rabbit with a large, secure space allows them to exercise and to stretch their legs, leading to a happier, healthier rabbit. A good diet will also help, this should be made up of 80% good quality hay and/or grass, 15% vegetables and 5% pellets.

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### Lunchtime Multisports

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The mill will be working with millers on hand to explain the workings and answer any questions. There will be freshly milled wholemeal flour on sale, refreshments, and a guided "water trail" around the Rye giving an insight into the history of the River Wye, Dyke and surrounding area. Stalls will also be available offering a variety of goodies for sale.

If you are interested in helping out the mill is looking for potential new millers to ensure the continuance of the project.

You can find out more at: [www.pannmill.org.uk](http://www.pannmill.org.uk)



This year's Chiltern Cycling Festival is shaping up to be a great summer's day out for cyclists and their families from all over the UK on Sunday 17 July. Celebrate your cycling challenge and fundraising achievements with a 30, 60 or 100 mile ride from the beautiful grounds of Penn House and join the 'Pedal for Prostate' team raising money for Scannappeal.

Based in the Penn House Estate the festival offers a whole host of routes that let riders discover the "joys" of cycling challenges in and around the Chiltern Hills. All finishers receive a glass of champagne and goody bag along with entry into the Velo Village where they can relax and recover. There will also be a fantastic mix of activities for friends & families to enjoy from a 'Brocante style" vintage market, Children's Go Ride activities to local produce and food & drink stalls, including locally brewed Craft beers as well as live music and even a retro bike parade, 'The Dapper Pedaler'.

To enter go online at [www.britishcycling.org.uk/events/details/140644/Chiltern-Cycling-Festival-Sportive-2016](http://www.britishcycling.org.uk/events/details/140644/Chiltern-Cycling-Festival-Sportive-2016).



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## From Westminster to Wycombe - Steve Baker MP



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It is always a pleasure for me to visit Highcrest Academy, and I am very proud of the school and what it has achieved. There is a real sense of purpose in the school, and the pupils are a credit to themselves and the staff. While congratulating Sheena Moynihan on her career and retirement at the end of this academic year, I cannot help wishing she could continue for years yet! I should like to pay tribute to her for all achievements and say how much she will be missed. She leaves the school in a strong position and I am sure the new headteacher will continue her excellent work.

On 23rd June, every voter will have the opportunity to vote in the EU referendum. I believe the safer choice is to vote to leave. The EU is plagued by high unemployment, a dysfunctional currency, ineffective political institutions, a migrant crisis and a democratic crisis. If we remain, we will not be able to control our borders with a fair and humane migration policy which stops discrimination against people outside the EU. Every week, the EU bills us over £350 million; in Buckinghamshire, our NHS Trust has a challenging deficit which is less than half a day's net contribution to the EU. If we remain, our negotiated rebate will be at risk and our contributions will continue to increase. We may change the British government but the European project of ever-closer economic and political union will continue just the same.

If we vote to leave, we can trade freely with countries around the world and cooperate in a friendly, effective way. We can regain legal control of policies affecting trade, tax, economic regulation, energy and food bills, migration, crime, and civil liberties. If we regain the power to choose who makes our laws and trade deals and who controls public services, British voters will take back democratic control over matters which affect our lives every day.

I know many people are taking the responsibilities of the referendum very seriously, and have yet to make-up their mind about which way to vote. I want to reassure anyone who is thinking of voting to leave that the UK has the world's fifth largest economy, with the best armed forces of any nation, more Nobel Prizes than any European country and more world-leading universities than any European country. Our economy is more dynamic than the Eurozone, we have the most attractive capital city on the globe, the greatest "soft power" and global influence of any state and a leadership role in NATO and the UN. I am confident our future will be safer and more prosperous outside the institutions of the failing EU.

If you would like to comment on the Government's programme, please email me at: [steve.baker.mp@parliament.uk](mailto:steve.baker.mp@parliament.uk). If you would like my help with a particular Government or Parliamentary issue, please phone my constituency office on 01494 448408.

## Find out about Fostering

The Wishing Tree promotion ran as part of Foster Care Fortnight helped raise awareness of the wishes of hundreds of children and young people in Buckinghamshire who want to find a foster home. Other events throughout the fortnight included a special book reading at Buckingham Library by award winning children's author and foster carer Ann Meek.

If you would like more information on fostering contact 0800 160 1900 or visit: [www.buckscc.gov.uk/fostering](http://www.buckscc.gov.uk/fostering)

There is still time to sign up for one of the fostering information sessions:

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- 16th June - The Hub, Easton Street, High Wycombe
- 22nd June - Aylesbury Opportunities Centre



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Death is a deeply personal journey that each individual approaches in a unique way. Yet far too many people are denied their final wishes of being allowed to die at home.

South Bucks Hospice enables a patient, who might otherwise need a bed in an institution, to spend their last days in their own home with their family and friends, if that is what they want.

Our day hospice in High Wycombe has been enormously successful, but we need to move to a far bigger building to meet the demands of a growing and rapidly-ageing population.

That is why I am thrilled we have raised £3.8million to enable us to move in Spring 2017 to vastly-larger purpose-built premises in Totteridge, at the site of the old Kingswood School – but we now need your help with the £850,000 annual running costs.

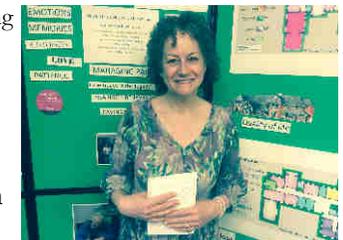
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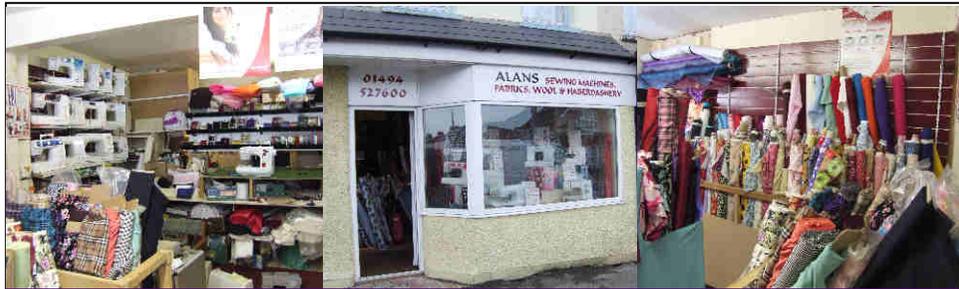
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## Policing Update

### Totteridge & Bowerdean

Residents have raised concerns over parking at the junctions of Kingston Road and Adelaide Road off Walton Drive. Officers have been issuing parking warning letters to those parking inconsiderately at junctions and will follow up with tickets should this be ignored or not taken seriously.

There has been some unacceptable behaviour from some students from Highcrest Academy on Hatters Lane. A resident from a neighbouring road has had a large metal object throw by a student into her garden which could have caused serious injury to anyone stood in its path, or caused significant damage to the house. The neighbourhood team are looking into this incident.

Drugs warrants were executed in The Roperies during May as there have been numerous reports of drug use and dealing in this area recently.

There is partnership activity currently with the public safety team in regards to anti-social behaviour. Also on-going work with Red Kite Housing, L & Q Housing and Bucks Mediation who are helping to resolve current neighbour and family disputes.

### Terriers & Amersham Hill

There are still growing concerns about vehicles driving at excessive speed along our roads. The Police are doing what they can with the resources available to run speed monitoring, enforcement and community speed watch operations. Most of the vehicles involved are causing some form of anti-social behaviour by way of aggressive, careless and inconsiderate driving. The Police have powers under section 59 of The police Reform Act 2002.

Parking continues to be an issue and the main area of concern is Green Hill. There have been constant complaints about this area and parking warning notices have been issued. Tyzack Road is another area facing similar issues.

Anti-social behaviour has been fairly low around Terriers. There has been growing concern regarding the car parks at Windsor drive which is included in the ASB car patrols. Successful drug warrants have been enforced in Kennett Close and Windsor Drive during May. If you suspect drugs or anything else illegal is going on in your neighbourhood then please contact the Police on the 101 number.

Theft of registration plates is becoming more frequent with this often committed overnight. The plates are then used to commit further crime. Please be weary where your vehicle is parked and possibly consider surveillance to help solve the issue.

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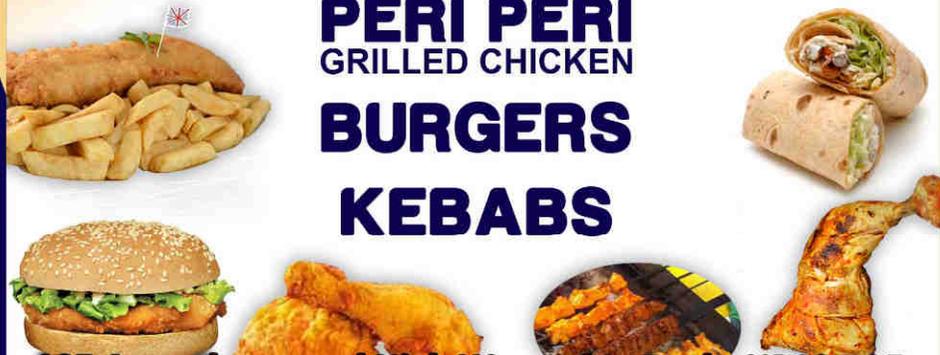
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My name is Emma. I am a Guiding Leader, at 22nd High Wycombe Rainbows. We meet at St Andrew's Church. Here at Rainbows, we look after 10 girls, aged 5-7 years, and allow them to explore many things in a friendly, fun and safe environment.

At Rainbows, the girls are introduced to activities such as baking and jewellery making, as well as having themed nights for special days throughout the year, like Christmas or Valentine's Day. Each week we provide a different activity, to ensure the girls get to explore as many different areas as possible. The girls are also taught valuable skills, like during our 'sun day', where we discussed ideas about how to remain protected from the sun, whilst eating some yummy ice creams!

'Rainbow Bear' is also a key member to our Rainbow's unit, and the girls adore getting the chance to take him home. Every week a different girl will be given the opportunity to take Rainbow Bear home, along with a book where they can write down their adventures together, in order to share for the next week.

Rainbows is all about developing self-confidence, building friendships, learning new things and having fun. For more information about Rainbows, please visit [www.girlguiding.org.uk](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk)

### And a round up from the rest of the District

6th HW held a Pack Holiday at Ellesborough. Other units are planning holidays as we go to print. A Dance group from Bucks New Uni have visited 2 Brownie units and helped them enjoy an evening on dance and music. 1st HW Brownies visited the Metro bank and completed the Number Fun Badge. 1st HW Guides have been Bowling and Climbing, and also had an evening cooking their supper out of doors.

Several units joined together for a sponsored sing, and many have been to the Gang Show, where one of the Guides was presented with her Baden Powell Challenge Award.

Sadly, we have had to close 3rd Terriers Brownies, due to lack of leaders. We have been able to find places in other units for all the girls and hope they continue to enjoy their Guiding with their new friends.

Are you interested in being a leader and having fun alongside the girls? If so, please contact Terrie on 01494 445816 07720 383535 email Terrie at [terrie103@btinternet.com](mailto:terrie103@btinternet.com) or visit the national website [www.girlguiding.org.uk/interested](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk/interested)

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### St Andrews Church (C of E)

Located on Hatters Lane, High Wycombe HP13 7NJ.

Services are every Sunday at 9:15am & 11:15am.

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### St Wulstans Catholic Church

Located on Hollis Road, Totteridge, HP13 7UN

Regular Masses both on Sunday's and at other times during the week.

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### St Augustines Church (Catholic)

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## *Wycombe Wenches WI*

Wycombe Wenches membership has increased by 20% already this year but we would still like to welcome 'new Wenches'. If you are interested in finding out more about what it is like to be a WI member then why not come along to one of our meetings. We meet on the 2nd Thursday of the month in Totteridge Community Centre from 8-10 pm.

The monthly programme includes interesting speakers so we now know about how Roald Dahl became an author and how to use a defibrillator (should the need arise). We will be finding out all about bee keeping and the honeybee as well as learning how to keep ourselves safe. A Pimms and Puddings evening will be the theme of our summer social this year and we hope that the weather will be kind to us.

As well as the monthly meetings there is also a thriving additional activities programme and we now have a book club, supper club and a creative craft group which meet regularly. The annual 'Sparkling Afternoon Tea' was held in May which is one of the fundraising events we hold each year. The summer walk will take place in July followed by supper.

If you want the opportunity to build new skills, make new friends and take part in a wide variety of activities then why not join Wycombe Wenches? To find out more, visit our website: <http://wycombewi.weebly.com> and then come to one of our meetings, we would love to see you there.

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## Marathon Achievement

Every one of the 15 strong team running this years London Marathon on behalf of the charity completed the famous 26 mile 385 yard route on 24th April. Joining around 38,000 people on the start line, the runners proudly sporting Rennie Grove pink and purple spotted running vests contended with the chilly breezes and wintery showers as they tackled the capitals streets.

## Rhyme & Reason Writing Competition

Entries have just closed for this years competition where the theme was "Magic and Mystery". Winning entries will be published in the 2017 Desk Diary available later in the year.

## Event Volunteers Wanted

There are many rewards to event volunteering. Meeting new people, enjoying the event and the knowledge that giving your time is helping make a difference are just a few. If you would like to help out with fundraising and other events then contact the office on 01442 890222 or visit the website at [www.renniegrove.org](http://www.renniegrove.org) for more information.

## The Pepper Show

The Pepper Show is back and this year takes place from 19th to 23rd July 2016. Tickets range from £10 to £20 and are available via the web site at [www.pepper.org.uk](http://www.pepper.org.uk) or from the office on 01442 507324. There is also a "Gig Night on the 21st July with tickets at £15, no seating.

## Folk at Jungle Solidarity (which supplies the camps in Calais) have asked for:

- Orange Lentils
- Tinned Food
- Long life milk, Tea, Coffee, Hot Chocolate (For volunteers) & sugar
- Honey, Marmalade, Nutella, Porridge Oats
- Herbs & Spices, Onions, Garlic, Rice
- Oranges, Dates, Dried Fruits
- Roti / Chapati / Flat Breads

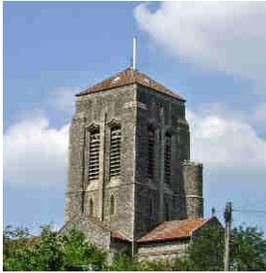
In either case it is important that all donations are within date and unopened.

## Meanwhile life goes on with our usual round of activities:

- Sunday services at 8.00 a.m. and 10.00 a.m.
- Communion services each Wednesday at 10.00 a.m. in the traditional style of the Book of Common Prayer.
- Messy Church at 4.00 p.m. on the third Saturday of each month for people of every age: a time of craft work and messy play, a short act of worship and a shared meal.
- Communion services on Saints' days and other holy days (details on the parish website: [www.terrierschurch.org.uk](http://www.terrierschurch.org.uk)).
- The Julian Meetings for people interested in exploring meditation and the way of contemplative prayer. These take place in church at 8.00 p.m. on the first Monday and 2.30 p.m. on the third Monday of the month.
- Keep Fit for the not-so-active in the church hall at 3.00 p.m. on Tuesday afternoons during school term-time.
- "Knit, Craft and Natter" each Wednesday at 11.00 a.m.
- Christian Aid Lunch in the church hall at 12.30 p.m. each Friday during school term-time.
- The Walkers United group meet on the first Saturday of each month from February to November for a walk and a pub lunch. Details of starting point published on the church notice-board.
- The monthly working parties keeping the church grounds tidy on the morning of the second Saturday of each month (weather permitting) from around 9.30 a.m.

Given the heavy use of St Francis church hall, particularly on week-day evenings, it has been agreed by the Church Council that the church building be open for hiring on days and at times when there is no church-based activity taking place. Enquiries should be addressed to the Church Hall manager, Mrs Shelagh Sheppard (tel: 01494 462911. e-mail: [terrierschurch@gmail.com](mailto:terrierschurch@gmail.com))

*Tony Dickinson*



## Summer at St Francis' Church

I mentioned in my last contribution to T&T News that in spring 2017 South Bucks Hospice will be moving into new, purpose-built premises on the Kingswood First School site. Links between the Hospice and St Francis' Church go back a long way. Members of the congregation have been part of the team of volunteers there more or less since the Hospice opened its doors, and clergy from the church have been occasional visitors since the 1990s. We are now moving into a new phase of this partnership. During the six weeks of the Lenten fast members of the congregation raised over £2,500 for the work of the Hospice, occasional training sessions for Hospice volunteers have been held in the church building, and since Easter we have hosted a weekly "Knit, Craft and Natter" session, jointly with the Hospice, in the church building on Wednesdays at 11.00 a.m. The group which meets includes both members of the church congregation and people who have no other connection with St Francis. All are welcome to join them for a couple of hours of activity and conversation in pleasant company.

Meanwhile, people at St Francis continue to be engaged in supporting people in need both locally and in the Middle East. The congregation is a long-standing supporter of the work of One Can Trust, making regular contributions to the Trust's food bank. The church building has for several months been a collection point for donations to refugees in the Middle East and in the camps around Calais and Dunkerque. Bedding, clothing and toys dropped off at the church have formed part of consignments going to France, Greece and Syria. At present the storage at both High Wycombe – Donations for Refugees and Jungle Solidarity are full to bursting with clothes. What is needed by Donations for Refugees is food and medicines, in particular:

- Tinned vegetables, lentils, soup, fish (no meat or gelatine)
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- Lentils, nuts and dried fruit
- Long life milk, Flour, protein bars
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- Baby food (no glass jars)
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- Bandages, plasters, etc.
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- Donations of ambulances

## CHAMELEON SINGLES GROUP



Several members booked our short Gourmet Cruise to St Malo at the end of May taking the opportunity to get away for a few days with an early season trip. Staying on the food line no doubt we will be having another summer BBQ at a members home on a warm summers evening too. Talking of summer our trip to the coast this year will be to Brighton where even if the weather does not turn out to be the best on the day there will be plenty to see and do around the old town streets.

Over the last few months members have enjoyed a meal out at The Bellcote - a new Marstons Pub on the outskirts of Chesham, a film show at home, brewery visit, a take-away evening, live music and a day out at Greys Court in Henley. Some of our popular events run regularly so there is no reason to miss out with both Friday Lunch Club and the Pub Night taking place every month on the first and last Friday respectively. All events both at home or a local venue are organised by members acting as hosts. To them all we are very grateful as no organisers would equal no Chameleon!

For those interested in live music we visit Dusty's at least once most months for some great live bands at the Holmer Green Sports Club. We also go to the theatre, live music performances, comedy evenings and various other events. Coffee mornings have also proved popular and it is likely we will do more of these both at home and at venues such as Garden Centres and cafes in the coming months.

All our events are open to new members with the Pub Night a great place to meet up. You would be very welcome to come along and join us for a drink on the last Friday of the month at The Crown, Amersham Road, Hazlemere from the slightly earlier time of 7:30pm. There is food available if you wish to skip the cooking at home and many members take that opportunity!

If you are single, 40 – 60's, looking for a great social life and new friends then why not give us a try? There are no strangers at Chameleon, just new friends to be made in a social group run by and for its members. We have several local people from Totteridge, Terriers and surrounding areas and you would be very welcome too. To find out more call one of our membership secretaries Heike 01494 – 459246 or Joyce 01494 – 817895 or e-mail: [chameleon\\_bucks@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:chameleon_bucks@tiscali.co.uk). Visit us on-line at [www.bucksvoice.net/chameleon](http://www.bucksvoice.net/chameleon) for more information and an events listing.



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## Highcrest Academy announces new Principal

Glen Burke has been appointed the new Principal of The Highcrest Academy and will succeed Shena Moynihan when she takes early retirement at the end of the academic year.



Mr Burke, 49, a father of two is currently a member of the academy's senior leadership team and joined Highcrest in 2001, the year it replaced the failing Hatters Lane School under the Government's 'Fresh-Start' scheme. He arrived shortly before the current principal and helped transform the school into an over-subscribed academy with massively improved exam results and a strong Ofsted rating.

He will officially take over on September 1 from Miss Moynihan, for whom he has the highest praise saying "It's been fantastic to work under such an inspirational Principal for the best part of 15 years and I have obviously learnt a great deal from her. I am in a privileged position because I have exceptional knowledge and understanding of the organisation and the successful systems and processes that have already been established".

Perhaps his proudest moment came in 2006 when he helped Highcrest to gain Specialist Schools Status as a technology college, which brought in a one-off £100,000 grant from the Government, plus £129 extra per pupil over the next four years. He was pleased with the 'Good' rating awarded this year to Highcrest by Ofsted, and delighted with the praise showered on the school in the inspectors' report.

Chairman of Governors Chris Turner said: "Having to recruit a successor to take the academy forward on our journey led to a number of sleepless nights. We had a number of very experienced and credible candidates for the post, and therefore a hard decision to make. It gave me great pleasure to be able to offer the post to Glen, a worthy successor to take us forward into the future."