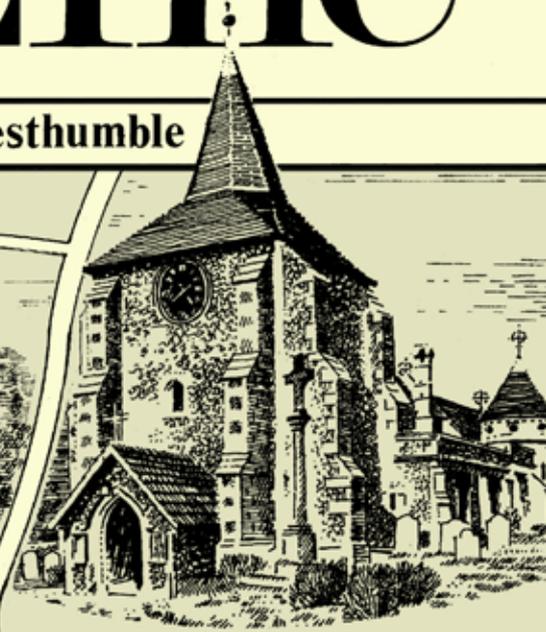
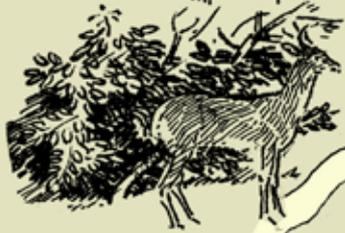


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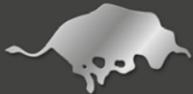
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Dear friends

It was in Washington in 1963 that Reverend Martin Luther King used a phrase in a speech which was to become well known throughout the world; he began with the words 'I have a dream....' His dream was for equality amongst all people irrespective of the colour of their skin and he went on to say, 'I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up and live out the true meaning of its creed: we hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal.' I am sure that we all agree with his dream, but what of our own dreams, dreams that may or may not come true but which nevertheless are real for us. Consider these comments:

- All success begins with a dream.
- You can often measure a person by the size of their dreams.
- If you do not have a dream, how can it come true?

Every single human being has been created by God with an incredible potential within us. **'I praise You because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; Your works are wonderful, I know that full well.'** wrote the psalmist over 3,000 years ago. God made all the delicate, inner parts of our bodies within our mother's womb, He created us wonderfully complex and He knew us individually as He painstakingly designs each person with such loving care. The Bible teaches us that we are not an accident, we haven't just evolved into who we are today, but that we were created and designed with a purpose. And whilst the blueprints of each of us are similar to other human beings, they're not exactly the same; You are unique in this world - and so am I.

In the story of the 'Ugly Duckling' we see that the little duck wanted to be beautiful, but that he didn't at first realise his potential! He had always been beautiful but he simply could not see it until he grew into a magnificent swan. How about you? Do you have a dream and are you realising your potential?

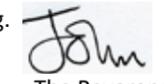
A fictional story is told about a conversation that Jesus had with an angel, shortly after His ascension into Heaven. The angel asked Him, 'What plans have you made to ensure that your work of extending the Kingdom will continue now that you've returned to heaven?' Jesus replied that He had commissioned twelve men to carry on His mission on earth. 'And what if they fail?' asked the angel. 'I have no other plans' replied Jesus. One of the wonderful things about Jesus is that He can see the potential within each person and that He is prepared to encourage and to help us. Have you ever asked God these sorts of questions?

What do You want to do in or through my life? What do You still desire for me to experience? What possibilities and potential are within me? What could I, should I become? What do You desire for me?

Only God can answer these questions. And for most people in the vast majority of situations and circumstances, He will answer them only when asked. **'Call to me and I will answer you, and will tell you great and hidden things that you have not known.'** Jeremiah 33:3

As we move into the Autumn season, I encourage you to spend some time alone with God, talking and listening. I pray you find encouragement to fully realise your dreams, and the fullness of the potential God has placed within you.

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The Reverend Canon John Harkin, Mickleham Parish Priest



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| Tuesday 3 <sup>rd</sup>    | Ladies Inner Wheel Lunch |
| Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup>   | Blind Alley Band         |
| Sunday 8 <sup>th</sup>     | Burney Road Meeting      |
| Monday 9 <sup>th</sup>     | Velocette Club Meeting   |
| Wednesday 11 <sup>th</sup> | Norton Club Meeting      |
| Friday 27 <sup>th</sup>    | Psychic evening          |
| Monday 30 <sup>th</sup>    | Jazz Jam returns         |

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More than 160 – children and their families – gathered in St Michael's Church on 24<sup>th</sup> July for the Leavers' Service. This is a special occasion when the school celebrates the time spent at St Michael's by the children leaving from Year 2. In addition to some highly appropriate whole-school singing (*Lovely Summer's Day* and *One More Step*) the Year 2 children shared some memory poems, often humorous yet always poignant, before receiving their Graduation Certificates from Mrs

Pat Hand, Chair of Governors. After an emotive Thank You to the children and staff from Mrs Peers, Head of School, the Year 2 children sang their Leavers' Song, with hardly a dry eye left in church.

After the service, in beautiful sunshine everybody crossed into the Rectory garden for refreshments, including lots of iced drinks and a wonderful selection of home-made cakes and goodies, with the children having great fun exploring and playing. A wonderful way to end the school year.

## Parish Prayer Meetings

Christians believe in the power of prayer. This is because prayer is one of the tools God provides for us to communicate with Him, and because it is a gift that everyone is qualified to use. And quite incredibly, if we pray consistently from the heart, it is just amazing how many times we find God in His great love for us personally, does indeed answer our prayers! We plan the monthly Prayer Meetings in church to be for everyone, not just for those who are comfortable praying out loud in front of other people. Much of the hour we send together is spent

in consideration and discussion about prayer, while there are also times when people may read aloud some pre-prepared prayers. At other times we have periods of silent reflection or a led meditation. Our heart is for people to develop their prayer life, and to be able to share together in prayer when we meet together as part of the Christian community here in the parish. **All are welcome to join us when we meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 7.30 pm**, to talk, pray and listen to God, quietly reflecting in His presence.

## Mickleham & Westhumble Village Fête 2019



With grateful thanks and all good wishes from the Fête Committee

Thank you so much for helping with and supporting the Fête this year. We made an amazing £6,300 which is being shared between our local charities. We could not have done it without you! See pages 10 & 11 for report & photographs



## Harvest Supper

for the whole community

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> October

Mickleham Village Hall – 7.30 pm

Come and join us for a supper of cottage pie (with veggie alternative) and delicious homemade puddings. There will be a quiz and a pay bar.

Tickets: Adults £10 / Children (under 12) £6.

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## Westhumble Chapel Building Work Completed

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Left: View showing new chairs, carpet and lighting.  
Above: The new kitchenette. An accessible toilet has also been installed.



## Places to visit in Mickleham Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September

**BOX HILL SCHOOL'S DALEWOOD HOUSE**, London Road RH5 6 EA. Dalewood, the main school building was built in 1883. It was designed in the Gothic Revival style by the Victorian architect, John Norton, who also designed Tyntesfield in Somerset. The interior is full of hand-painted tiles, beautifully crafted stained-glass windows and fine wood panelling, with magnificent fireplaces throughout.

Tours of Dalewood House will be available, guided by staff at the school and will include refreshments. Tours take place at 1 pm & 2.30 pm. Please book your free tickets via email: [boxoffice@molevalley.gov.uk](mailto:boxoffice@molevalley.gov.uk)

**ST MICHAEL'S INFANT SCHOOL**, School Lane, RH5 6EW The school has changed and developed greatly since it opened in 1908. We have photographs, drawings and maps to show how the small original school developed into what we have today. Aerial photographs from as early as 1920 will show these changes both in the school buildings and the surrounding area. The tours will help people to see how the school building has changed and what we have to offer now. This event is being put on in conjunction with St Michael's Church, Mickleham.

Opening Times: 10 am - 4 pm No booking required

Access: No general parking on site. Public parking spaces are available on the east side of the A24 near Frascati Restaurant and in the centre of Mickleham. There is a footpath from the church across the recreation ground to the school.

**ST MICHAEL AND ALL ANGELS' CHURCH** A programme of events will be available. Church events include a video of the history of the bells, a display of historical maps and self-guided tours of the church and the churchyard. Other events will include an organ recital at 3 pm and street entertainment.

Opening Times: 10 am - 4 pm No booking required.

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Children's Harvest Workshop is on Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October  
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## Mickleham Choral Society's Summer Concert

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As several members of St Michael's Church Choir belong to the Mickleham Choral Society, I was persuaded without much difficulty to go along to their summer concert in St Martin's Church, Dorking, on 22<sup>nd</sup> June. I had heard much about MCS, so was looking forward to the event.

On a lovely summer's evening, with the vibrant colours of the great east window all alight, all at their very best, the choir, with an impromptu orchestra from the Menuhin School of Music, launched into Vivaldi's *Gloria*. I know the *Gloria* well, having sung in it, and accompanied parts of it on occasion, and even having been part of the continuo ensemble on others; it is one of the sublime gems of the choral repertoire. This performance was as good as I have heard anywhere. The attack was incisive, the intonation faultless, and – above all – the music simply rang out around the spacious building with its fine acoustic (what a happy choice of venue!), driven by fire and enthusiasm. If she can produce results of this quality, it is no wonder that the Director, Juliet Hornby, is so highly regarded, or that the ranks of the choir have swelled so over the years. Full marks to the orchestral players, too, and to the soloists (of whom more in a moment).



For the second half of the programme we heard a variety of pieces: secular anthems and solos; spirituals; a fine piano duet (Benjamin's *Jamaican Rumba*, played by Jan Assersohn and Tracy Kennington); and an amazing ensemble piece: *Two for the Price of One* by Carter, delivered with such fire and precision it quite took your breath away! Wonderful! And our two soloists, accompanied by Jan on the piano, performed music that in each case sent shivers up and down my spine. Laura Stephenson (mezzo) sang Rachmaninoff's *Spring*

*Waters* and flooded the building with the sheer power of her voice, while sacrificing none of her artistry. Anna Leon, singing Gershwin's *Summertime*, was simply sublime: her control of the music at its very softest absolutely faultless and thrilling. I never heard it 'done that good'. The choir then closed with a Korean folk song *Arirang* arranged by Hyo-Won Woo.

And, as Pepys might say, so to bed – very happy.

David Fishwick  
St Michael's Church Organist



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## Come & Sing

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September 7.30 for 8 pm Mickleham Village Hall

MCS meets on Thursday evenings at 8 p.m. in Mickleham Village Hall. New members are always welcome – no audition is required. We do three concerts a year plus participating in the Leith Hill Musical Festival in April. Just come along for an evening to sing with us and see how you like it. Our first rehearsal of the new season is on Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September. Music and refreshments will be provided and of course we hope you have such a wonderful time you will come back for more.

For more information, please go to [www.micklehamchoral.org.uk](http://www.micklehamchoral.org.uk) or contact our conductor, [juliethornby@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:juliethornby@yahoo.co.uk)

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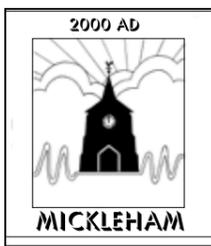
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# Mickleham Parish Council Annual Report 2019



It is always encouraging when one can start an annual report by stating that the projects proposed in the last report have

now been executed.

Last year I referred to the urgent need to address the problems caused by the potholes in Swanworth Lane. These have now been repaired, thanks to the generous support of Box Hill School and Brakspear Brewery (owners of *The Running Horses*). We also repaired similar potholes in the Old London Road end of Dell Close.

Mention was also made last year of the proposal to install average speed cameras on the section of the A24 between the Burford Bridge roundabout and Givons Grove. These have been installed and appear to have greatly reduced the traffic speed on that stretch of road. However it has created another challenge as motorbikes in particular exit the A24 at the Mickleham turn and speed through on the Old London Road, thus avoiding the speed camera at the Burford Bridge.

Finally, the Westhumble and Mickleham Badminton Club, which I reported as having had its first meeting just before our last annual meeting has now met 47 times and has a membership of 41 subscribing members and a number of visitors.

In the year under review a number of other issues have been identified and, in many cases, addressed. Car park charges have been increased across Surrey and charges introduced by the at the Norbury Park and Crabtree Lane car parks. The latter two have had a very mixed responses.

The Parish Council supported the village's

World War One's 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary by providing part of the funding for the silhouette figures in St Michael's churchyard, as well as attending the special Armistice Day service held in church.

Surrey Wildlife Trust received very mixed publicity from their courses of action taken in the past year. Firstly an application to introduce 'Glamping' in the Phoenix Field, Norbury Park which was finally turned down by MVDC Planning Department. Also a response to the 'ash die back' in Norbury Park requiring some fairly heavy-handed work, which appeared to ignore some of the advice given by local conservationists, met with some active opposition from local residents. There has been much discussion as to the repairs needed to the bridges at Swanworth Farm and that leading to Lodge Farm and as yet no final decisions have been taken, despite an urgent need to make them safe for agricultural use.

Some considerable time has been given to the Future Mole Valley Project, which aims to provide much needed additional homes by the modest expansion of rural villages. A presentation was given by MVDC officers who also drew councillors' attention to the proposed change to existing boundaries. Two locations for possible housing developments were identified by MVDC – one being the Burmester Field and the other at Hall Farm, Swanworth Lane.

The proposals were put on public display for consultation on 18<sup>th</sup> October 2018 in the Ranmore Room and Councillor Andrew McNaughton collated the responses and relayed them to MVDC planning officers. We still await their response to the Local Plan.

Councillor Will Dennis suggested that it might be appropriate and helpful to

provide a bus shelter at the St Michael's Church bus stop outside the Rectory. Plans have subsequently been drawn up, costings obtained and planning permission is now being sought. An offer of financial assistance by an anonymous donor towards the cost of the project has been gratefully accepted.

Traffic problems in the Old London Road which were discussed during the past year include that of traffic congestion at the entrance/front of Box Hill School, especially at the end of the school day. The school has now designated staff to assist traffic flow, as it leaves the site and further meetings with SCC Highways Department are being sought to look at signage and road markings. The other area of concern is the junction of the Zig Zag Road with Old London Road. Application was made to increase the 'No Parking' lines at this junction and these have now been installed, and have assisted in managing the problem.

There has been the usual round of planning applications, the majority of which have been uncontroversial. However, the works on the dormer window and garage 'change of use' at 2 Thorn Cottages have resulted in local residents, supported by the Parish Council, lodging objections with MVDC planning officers.

Looking ahead, the parish council was consulted on the proposed change of route for the Professional Cycle Race, which follows the main RideLondon event on Sunday August 4<sup>th</sup>. The organisers of the Village Fête combined with the Horticultural Society Summer show, were granted use of the Recreation Ground for parking of stall holders' cars on Saturday July 6<sup>th</sup>, by way of support for this important community event. David Ireland



June 29<sup>th</sup> started as a sizzling hot summer day, soon to be filled with live music, chilled drinks and delicious alfresco food. Festival goers from near and afar began to arrive and mingle at The Stepping Stones PH, filling the sultry Westhumble air with good humoured chatter and laughter. Our first band took to the outdoor stage just after 3pm and kicked off Festhumble19 in style. There was a huge range of musical genres on offer throughout the day and well into the night, and each of our seven bands performed fantastically. Smiling faces, young and old, nodded along appreciatively to the music, while others braved the heat to show off their moves – there was even some (very accomplished) Irish dancing. Mouth-watering wafts of steaming paella, barbecued burgers and hot dogs drifted around, inviting passing walkers and cyclists to come in and join the fun.

We are very grateful to all our fabulous bands (details on our Facebook page), and to our Sound Engineer, Andy and MC, Chardonay, who so generously gave their time and talent. Thanks to Tina for granting us the use of her

fantastic venue and also to Westhumble Playing Fields, who kindly allowed festival-goers the use of their parking facilities all day. We would like to thank the businesses and individuals who donated prizes for the raffle and tombola, and Juniper Hall and our other lovely stallholders and the staff and volunteers who helped make the day a success. (Please see our Facebook page for further information, photos and updates).

Last, but not least, we would like to say a big 'thank you' to everyone who came

along and supported our event. You all helped us raise £1158.69 for a very worthy charity, LeatherHEAD START.

On a personal note, Festhumble19 may have started as a wistful idea, but everyone on the committee worked tirelessly to bring it to life and boy did it sparkle! I would like to take this opportunity to say how appreciative I am of all their efforts and support. I could not have asked for a better team.

Ange Treanor, Chairperson  
The Festhumble Committee



## Leatherhead Community Association

Events organised by the LCA over the next three months:

- Walks led by Peter Humphrey, designed to be easy paced, without steep gradients. They take place each month, the shorter ones on the first Wednesday of the month and the longer ones on the second. The first 'shorter' walk goes to Capel and the second to Sheepshears. His first 'longer' walk is at Peaslake and the second at Compton, and all the walks have pubs or cafés near at hand. Please phone Peter for full details - 01372 378347
- Art/History lectures organized by Liz Meikle, each Wednesday in October, except the 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 6<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> November. Lecturers are Rosalind White on Contemporary British Sculpture, and Kadinsky; Jessica Saraga on 'Classical Composure or Radical Ravings, and William Blake;

Paul Pickering on 'Angels in Art'; and Gail Cunningham on Styles of the 60s. The lectures are open to all, £7.50 per lecture. Further details are on the LCA website.

- Recorded music afternoons presented by Gwen Hoad at 2pm on the third Wednesday of each month starting, appropriately enough, with 'Colours of Autumn' by Pam Barton. A cup of tea is included in the admission, £2 for members and £3 for non-members.
- Visits planned by planned by Rosanna are: London Walk in September, Chichester in October and exploring the new buildings at Wisley in November. As a 'carrot', Rosanna has obtained some tickets for the Tutankhamun exhibition in February - watch this space!
- Festival Hall concert visits organised by David Hanson: 'Mendelssohn and

Mozart' on 20<sup>th</sup> October, and the popular 'Grand Christmas Classic' on 15<sup>th</sup> December. Please call in at the Institute for all the details and to pick up an application form. Don't delay as these are very popular concerts and tickets are limited.

Our usual regular activities will be starting again in September.

For full details of all these events and to find out what else is available at the Leatherhead Institute, such as the hiring of rooms for meetings or courses, please call in, it is the last building at the top of the High Street, where you can pick up the latest newsletter. Or visit our website: [www.leatherheadca.org.uk](http://www.leatherheadca.org.uk). Trudy, the administrator is in the office from 9 am – 12 pm everyday and is always happy to answer any questions on 01372 360508.

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## Mickleham and Westhumble Horticultural Society Summer Show Report

It was a great pleasure this summer to combine the Mickleham and Westhumble Horticultural Society's Summer Show with the Summer Fête. The free flow of all visitors from the Village Hall to the Glebe Field and back again meant that visitor numbers were boosted with commensurate benefits for both events

Spring this year was firstly somewhat cool, with one or two late frosts and then followed by an extended dry spell, which meant that some of the expected vegetables did not appear in their usual abundance and the same was true to some extent with flowers,

however more than 300 exhibits were shown overall contributing to a very good showing from the community. Val Hallett was the star of the show, her fruit was outstanding and she won the Schreiber Cup for best fruit entry, the Salomons Cup for most points in show and also the Bronze Banksian Medal. Congratulations to all the other cup winners for their fine exhibits.

We were pleased to welcome any person or household wishing to exhibit who were on the mailing list of the Garden Shed and we had some take-up of this offer and we will continue with this in the future – just send an email

or phone Pauline Davis paulinemdavis@gmail.com 07759 646353 or Susie Gowenlock susiegowenlock@gmail.com 07768 923088.

Although we had good entries from St Michael's Infant School and St Michael's Community Nursery we would like more children to enter individually. Children attending either of the local schools can of course enter and if your household joins the Garden Shed mailing list, then all their siblings can enter too – in fact it can be a whole family affair! We would love you to take advantage of this offer.

David Kennington



Views of the winning gardens:  
Left Pauline Davis's herbaceous border;  
Above: Sophie Adshead's raised vegetable bed

### 2019 SUMMER SHOW TROPHY WINNERS

|  |                  |
|--|------------------|
| THE PAYNTER CUP awarded for a vegetable garden full of promise                 | Sophie Adshead   |
| THE AITKEN CUP A garden area grown for your own enjoyment                      | Pauline Davis    |
| THE ELLMAN CUP for the most outstanding exhibit in flowers class               | David Kennington |
| THE ROBSON CUP for the most outstanding entry in vegetables class              | Sophie Adshead   |
| THE SCHREIBER CUP for the most outstanding entry in fruit class                | Val Hallett      |
| THE GORDON CLARK CUP for the most outstanding floral arrangement               | Alison Walton    |
| THE DENNIS TROPHY for the most outstanding entry in cookery class              | Andrew Rieley    |
| THE VI BULLEN TROPHY for the most outstanding entry in arts & crafts class     | Janice Steele    |
| THE ALAN HUGGETT MEMORIAL CUP for best sweet peas in the show                  | Sandra Wedgwood  |
| THE TAYLOR CUP for greatest number of points in the cookery class              | Sarah Blake      |
| THE COLWELL CUP for greatest number of points in arts and crafts class         | Clive Gilchrist  |
| THE BRONZE BANKSIAN MEDAL  |                  |
| Winner of the greatest number of points in the horticultural classes           | Val Hallett      |
| THE SALOMONS CUP for greatest number of points in all classes (except gardens) | Val Hallett      |
| THE IRVINE CUP for most outstanding entry by a child from St Michael's Nursery | Mabel Cowling    |
| THE HEYGATE CUP  |                  |
| Most outstanding entry in by a child up to 8 years old in the children's class | Henry Turner     |
| THE HUDLASS CUP for the best entry in the St Michael's School classes          | Hollie Duffell   |



# Mickleham and Westhumble Village Fête and Summer Show

What a sunny and happy day it was at Mickleham and Westhumble Village Fête and Horticultural Society Summer show on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> July!

We were welcomed by Canon John Harkin and by the colourful sight of many stalls and busy activities, protected from the sun by a splendid array of gazebos set up by Alison Wood and her team.

The day combined fun and games for children and adults, including traditional favourites, such as maggot racing, coconut shy, bat-the-rat and hook-a-duck. There were guessing games to find the whole egg, judge how many sweets in the jar and discover the treasure. Hilary Budd and St Michael's Community Nursery had hatched chicks and reared chickens in the spring, and we were treated to very entertaining 'chicken races' throughout the afternoon. (These novices were brought in at the last minute as the A-team had had an unfortunate encounter with a fox the previous night.) Children were also offered creative activities, making

masks, rock painting, face painting, as well as trying their luck with the soft toy lucky dip and jam jar tombola.

Thanks are due to the team of people cheerfully making teas and coffees in hot conditions and serving delicious scones and home-made cakes. Stalls also offered local produce and plants, ice cream, Pimm's, draught beer and wine. There were interesting and informative stands run by Friends of Box Hill and Juniper Hall and a photographic exhibition from the History Society. There were ferrets to fondle and bees to observe and a working model railway. Three fantastic raffles included a wheelbarrow of wine and a limited edition print by Sheree Valentine Daines as well as lots of prizes donated by many generous sponsors.

The whole afternoon was enlivened by music from the talented Jerry and his Jazzmates and children from St Michael's School showed us their country dancing skills.

In the village hall was a wonderful display of local garden produce, flower

arrangements, baking, photos, arts and crafts demonstrating the skills and the best efforts made by our community. Judges had the difficult job of awarding prizes, which were announced, and cups given out to successful competitors by Ben Tatham with David Kennington, Chairman of the Horticultural Society, presiding.

The fête and show on a glorious summer day provided a wonderful setting for the reunion of neighbours and families and friends across the generations.

The event raised an amazing £6,300 which will benefit local groups including our village church, infant school and nursery.

Congratulations to Alison Wood and thanks to St John's Ambulance for being in attendance and to all the stall holders, helpers and volunteers, to all who submitted entries to the horticultural show and to everyone in our community for coming to share such a successful, enjoyable and memorable afternoon.

Cathy Cain

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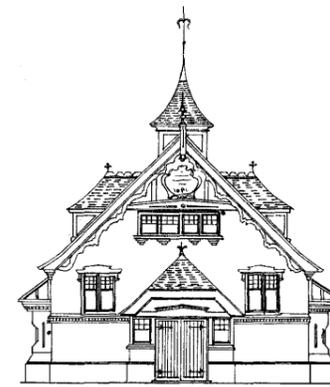
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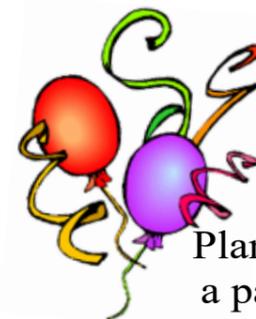


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7<sup>th</sup> July Layla Jean Charalambous, daughter  
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## Calendar of Events

### September

|  |           |            |                                   |   |
|--|-----------|------------|-----------------------------------|---|
| 1  | SUNDAY    | Trinity 11 | 8 am<br>10 am                     | Holy Communion<br>Family Service with Baptism of Noah<br>Stanbrook  |
| 2  | Monday    |            | 7.30 pm                           | PCC meeting. Ranmore Room   |
| 3  | Tuesday   |            | 7.30 pm                           | Parish Prayer Meeting in church   |
| 4  | Wednesday |            |                                   | Start of Autumn Term  |
| 5  | Thursday  |            | 7.30 for 8 pm                     | Come and Sing with Mickleham Choral<br>Society. Village Hall  |
| 8  | SUNDAY    | Trinity 12 | 8 am<br>10 a.m.<br>11.30 am       | Holy Communion<br>Holy Communion with Baptism of<br>Maximilian Short<br>Morning Prayer at Westhumble Chapel   |
| <i>Copy deadline for October Parish Magazine</i> |           |            |                                   |   |
| 14   | Saturday  |            | 10.30 am – 12.30 pm               | Garden Shed 'Trees' Guided Walk   |
| 15   | SUNDAY    | Trinity 13 | 8 am<br>10 am                     | Holy Communion<br>Holy Communion  |
| 21   | Saturday  |            | 9 am<br>10 am- 4pm                | Men' Breakfast – Running Horses<br>Heritage Open Day St Michael's Church<br>and in St Michael's Infant School |
| 22   | SUNDAY    | Trinity 14 | 8 a.m.<br>10 am<br>Noon – 3.30 pm | Holy Communion at Westhumble Chapel<br>Holy Communion<br>Garden Shed visit to Patchwork Garden<br>Project     |
| 23   | Monday    |            | 3 pm                              | Tea@3 at Abbotts Cottage  |
| 27   | Friday    |            | 1 pm                              | Wedding of James Baker and Amber King   |
| 28   | Saturday  |            | 9 am<br>1 pm                      | Women's Breakfast – Venue to be<br>announced<br>Wedding of Jacob Hunter and<br>Kayleigh Brake                 |
| 29   | SUNDAY    | Trinity 15 | 8 am<br>10 am                     | Holy Communion<br>Holy Communion with Baptism of<br>Cressida Rowbotham  |

### October

|   |          |            |  |  |
|---|----------|------------|--|--|
| 1 | Tuesday  |            | 7.30 pm  | Garden Shed Planting Design talk.<br>Stepping Stones   |
| 5 | Saturday |            | 10.30 am   | History Society's Village Walk starting at<br>Burford Bridge                                 |
|   |          |            | 7.30 pm  | Harvest Supper. Village Hall   |
| 6 | SUNDAY   | Trinity 16 | HARVEST FESTIVAL<br>8 am<br>9.15am - 10.45 am<br>11 am | Holy Communion<br>Harvest Workshop at St. Michael's School<br>Harvest Thanksgiving in church |



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## Angela and Clive Gilchrist write ...

A huge thank you to everyone who helped with our garden openings at Ashley Grange this year.

With our neighbours Vivienne and David Murch at Ashcombe next door opening for the first time, it was not surprising that we had such a successful year with 500 visitors over the three sessions. I think you all realise that we could not open without our wonderful helpers and you all contributed so much by making cakes, serving teas, selling and donating plants, collecting money on the gate and being on car park duty.

More than 40 cakes were consumed this year so a special thanks to those of you who made extra cakes as every one of them was used. The total sum raised for charity through opening our

garden was almost £3,100 which is a fantastic figure. The entry money for the National Gardens Scheme goes to charities such as Marie Curie, Macmillan, Hospice UK.

The teas made over £700 and we took £600 on the plant stall. This money goes to Barnardo's.

Many of you have helped regularly over our 17 openings and Charlotte, who lives in Westhumble, has kindly made me a cake (usually a coffee and walnut one) every one of those years which is much appreciated. During that time we have had 5,500 visitors through the garden and raised around £32,000 for charity. All our hard work has certainly been worth it!

Many thanks again for being part of our team.

## Calling all local residents, former St Michael's pupils and parents... When did you last visit Mickleham School?

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## Community News

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• Evelyn and Derek Hughes have moved from Chapel Lane to Dorking.

Welcome to:

• Laura and Martin St-Galley and their daughters Freya, Tabitha and Beatrice who have moved from East Molesey to Old London Road, Mickleham.

Charlie & Pippa Rothwell have moved into Chapel Lane from Epsom with their three children Amelia (21), Alice (18) and Joseph (14).

Congratulations and best wishes to:  
• Alex Judd and Clare Davies who were married at Westhumble Chapel on 22<sup>nd</sup> June. Alex is the son of Sue and David Judd of Camilla Drive.

• Jamie Mason and Louise Crocket who were married in Leatherhead on 26<sup>th</sup> July. Jamie is the son of Lucy and Neil Mason of Chapel Lane.



Newlyweds Jamie and Louise Mason celebrate with family and friends at Hillcrest, Chapel Lane



Alex and Clare Judd after their wedding and Evie's baptism at Westhumble Chapel, walking to their reception at Leladene

## Garden Shed's visit to Highgrove

Our summer outing this year was a private tour of Highgrove Gardens on 31<sup>st</sup> July. The group was limited to 26 and the visit was highly oversubscribed. Our coach first stopped at Tetbury, a quaint village not far from Highgrove so that we could stretch our legs and have coffee before arrived at Highgrove for our allotted tour time. Our charming tour guide, Ginny welcomed us and remarked that we had chosen the right day – the previous day had been very wet. Indeed, it was a glorious summer's day and the two hours went all too quickly. There was so much to see, and Ginny shared so much interesting information with us. HRH Prince Charles has created a paradise of gardens within a garden. Through all his state visits he has been given vast number of gifts. What better way to display some of his collection, but in his favourite place, the garden. All areas have been sympathetically designed to include some very exotic items. There is a wall displaying ecclesiastical stone carvings given to him by stone masons at the end of their apprenticeship which had been supported by one of Prince Charles' charities. (In fact all profits from Highgrove go to The Prince's Trust.) What was very apparent is his desire and passion to garden naturally, without the use of chemicals. This is often a long battle - their latest device for the ground elder is an electric rod that electrocutes it. The wildflower meadow was past its best but still full of colour. In the



Garden Shed organisers Susie Gowenlock and Pauline Davis

autumn sheep are bought in to act as lawn mowers and rotavators to churn the soil and distribute the seeds.

We were shown some personal areas as well: Prince William and Prince Harry's a tree house, now a favourite with the grandchildren, the stumpery, filled with ferns, featuring a relief carving of the Queen Mother and a tree planted by Prince George and his grandfather earlier this year. Whatever season you visit Highgrove there is a wealth of different sights and plants to enjoy: the Hydrangea walk lined by deep crimson blooms was stunning, the walled garden with flowers and veg a delight, the thyme walk was spectacular, and the oak temples were a sight to see.

Highgrove House (not open to the public) was built in the 18<sup>th</sup> century, after a fire restoration work was in the Victorian style. Considered very bleak by HRH, the outside walls have been covered with creepers including a very tall *Magnolia grandiflora* and some of the windows are gradually disappearing under the greenery.

We felt that this was a deeply personal garden, all very natural, with plenty of rough edges and weeds – very tranquil. After a delicious afternoon tea, we boarded the coach for our journey home. As no photographs of the gardens were allowed, we must rely on our memories of this most enjoyable and inspiring visit.

## New uses for Old

This year the Vi Bullen Cup for the Arts and Crafts class at the Summer Show was awarded to Janice Steele for a restored shepherd's hut in the 'New uses for old' section.

The shepherd's hut was once owned by Alf Bullen, who lived and farmed at Swanworth Farm and nearby for many years. The hut was used during lambing, raising lambs and sheep when moving them from field to field for fresh pasture. It was a mobile shelter for Alf, his sheep and dog and was used as somewhere to sleep, rest and eat with a small stove for warmth and cooking.

The iron bed had space underneath for orphaned or poorly lambs. The hut has a stable door to enable the shepherd to hear his flock, it also has strong axles and cast iron wheels for constant movement over rough ground.

Alf Bullen died in 1999, but the hut remained in the yard at Swanworth Farm until the Steeles (Fiona Taylor's parents) took on the task of restoring it. They used locally sourced timbers from the sawmill at Norbury Park including timbers felled during the 1987 storm.

The hut, now Shepherd's Rest' is now in the garden of Mole Cottage where it is going to provide Airbnb accommodation.



## The Running Horses v King William IV Annual 20/20 Cricket Match 16<sup>th</sup> July

Teams from the King William IV and The Running Horses embarked on the 6<sup>th</sup> instalment of the annual cricketing battle on the delightful grounds of Box Hill School. On a good wicket with a quick outfield and short boundaries, the sun shone down for what turned out to be a glorious summer's evening. In front of an impressive crowd the Running Horses won the toss and chose to bat first.

The Running Horses XI started well with their opener Hanvey (10) striking the first delivery of the game away to the boundary for 4. The opening partnership then floundered when Rothery (0) was caught out for the first duck of the innings. In the heat of the evening sun the Runners men continued to add to the score slowly as the wickets also fell on a regular basis; The Presley Bros N (2) & C (8) looked to be going well until confusion reigned causing one of them to be run out (again!). Father and son combo Dennis W (4) & D (1) added a little more before falling foul of the bowling. Struggling a bit now with 5 wickets down and still to reach 50 things were not looking good for the Running Horses. Mills (10 NO) and Patel (13) looked like they could steady the ship for a while and build a defensible total. Sadly, with the demise of Patel the tail end didn't last long with Jones (0) and a trickle of late runs from (Jebson (4) and Desousaluis (3) The Running Horses ended their inning on 99. The bowling was better this year from the King William XI.



Standing L-R: C. Bowie, S. Godwin, A. Mills, B. Cowen, J. Ayton, H. Godwin, T. Dudley, S. Dudley, K. Walker, R. Hanvey, D. Dennis, JM. Jones, L. Rothery, L. Davenport, E. Carroll, G. Brown, M. Day, W. Dennis  
Kneeling L-R: G. Ayton, N. Presley, S. Jebson, G. Herman, P. Patel, C. Presley, R. Howard

The King William XI took to the crease only needing 100 runs to win. They seemed confident but strange things can happen on a cricket pitch. Any concern was initially put aside by a storming opening partnership from Walker (27 Retired) and Ayton J (25 Retired). Building on that base Godwin H (12) added quickly with some quick boundaries. A small batting wobble followed the good start with Bowie (1) and the only duck of the innings falling to Dudley S (0) but it was too late. The King William XI were close to their goal. Godwin S (6) contributed while Dudley T (13 NO) impressed by finishing the requirement smacking two 6's in the process.

On the bowling front the Running Horses fought hard, Jebson picking up one wicket and Presley N crushing the

middle order, grabbing three wickets for his troubles.

This year the laurels went to a King William IV strong performance. Special thanks to all those people who help this match go ahead. Mark Day and Graham Brown for their umpiring skills, Frances Presley for keeping the score and all the staff at the King William and The Running Horses for looking after us all so well during and after the match. Thank you to all of the supporters also who made the evening the success it was and helping to raise £224.10 for the Mickleham Bus Shelter Project, our chosen beneficiary for this year.

Well done to the King William on their victory taking the balance to 2-4 in favour of The Running Horses.

Greg Ayton





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Answer on page 26

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## KING WILLIAM IV

August has been a bit hit and miss weather-wise for us. Fortunately, it has remained dry on Sunday evenings, so all our lazy Sunday live jazz events have gone off without hindrance. There are only two more in September, so please try to come along at 4.30 pm Sundays.

What can I say about the Willy v Runners cricket? The Runners took an almighty beating from our young guns. About time, they were starting to lord it over us. Great fun was had in this friendly annual fixture. The support from the village was the best so far – thanks to the Willy and Runners staff for feeding the supporters and players alike.

See you soon, Eamonn and Anne

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## Mickleham & Westhumble Badminton Club Annual Report July 2019

It seems extraordinary that so much has happened since that first exploratory meeting a year last March, attended by around 20 people. Within seven weeks we held our first club night, attended by 27 members and by the end of last month we had 41 paid-up members and an average weekly attendance of 23.

We were very fortunate to have three or four coaching sessions given by Debra Hamilton's sister, Tracy (herself an England badminton player) and her equally well-qualified partner David. As a result the standard of

play has certainly improved generally, though for some of us spasmodically. It is immensely pleasing to see the mix of standards, happily playing together in an atmosphere which can be competitive but is always good-natured.

New friendships have formed and it was marvellous to see so many members at our first Christmas dinner on 4<sup>th</sup> December, thanks to Sarah Blake's noble efforts.

Our accounts are in good order and we will only need to make a very small

increase in subs to meet the anticipated costs for the coming year, beginning this month.

Our thanks go:

- to Box Hill School for allowing us to rent the excellent facilities of their new Sports Centre and for their support and cooperation.
- to our committee for their hard work and enthusiasm
- and to The Running Horses for providing us with a splendid club house!

David Ireland  
Chairman

With this issue the 'new-look' Mickleham Parish Magazine starts its 36<sup>th</sup> year.

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# 'Miss Hazel' Retires

At the end of summer term at St Michael's we said farewell to Hazel Blaydon. 'Miss Hazel' has been a loyal and devoted part of the Mickleham community since 1995 when she began her career working with children at St Michael's Nursery. She quickly realised that working with children was her passion – it seems unimaginable that she spent 18 years prior to this working in insurance. Miss Hazel's natural flair and empathy with children was clear to see from the very beginning. After only a year of working at the nursery she became joint nursery manager, leading a team of people to create excellent provision for our young community. During this time the nursery was in the main hall of the village hall, each day Miss Hazel and her dedicated team would unpack and set up the nursery only to have to pack it all away again at the end of day – no small task. This didn't hinder the provision though; the nursery was outstanding, with growing local support and increasing numbers of children attending. Hazel gained great joy from working here and developed skills that would make her invaluable in

her future role as well as forming life-long friendships. But, after five years, and with a heavy heart, Miss Hazel resigned from the Nursery to care for her mother.

In 2001 the head teacher of St Michael's First School, Jenny Hudlass, recruited Hazel to join the school team. It was a smooth transition for Miss Hazel who relished the new challenges of working in a school. She supported many different teachers in the school. I found the five years that I worked alongside her invaluable. She was able to guide and lead her colleagues with a gentleness that is quite unique – imparting knowledge and wisdom with modesty and grace.

To watch Miss Hazel with the children is a truly magical experience, her understanding, patience and love for the children mean that she creates an atmosphere of joy and trust. Over her years at St Michael's Miss Hazel often worked with children with special needs and she was endlessly resourceful in finding ways to help them access the curriculum and make great progress while having fun and enjoying school.



Hazel Blaydon

Miss Hazel's kind and caring personality has always radiated throughout the school. Her infectious giggle in the staff room, her love of fun, her ideas, her thoughtfulness and generosity have made her truly valued by everyone she has worked with. For 18 years Miss Hazel has been a much-loved part of St Michael's and we will miss her! We wish her a happy and fulfilling retirement.

Anna Fox

# Cryptic Delicacies

Sorry, by all accounts, the last puzzle was a super hard one and I think my 'Only Connect' style themes maybe add to the brain-frying so I hope the theme this month is more helpful (though at first sight, it may not seem so!). The theme word from 23D was PARTY, which could be followed by CONFERENCE, WALL, LINE, and ANIMALS. It seems that particular difficulty came from clues that used subtraction – i.e. giving you a set of letters to anagram and telling you a set of other letters not to include in the anagram. Often these look very complicated but often it's a case of breaking down the code of what letters are not to be included and once you've got the letters to be kept and anagrammed, you are most of the way there.

**4D Sadly, I am late - rare tree has gone into disorder (7)**  
 disorder = MALARIA  
 Sadly = anagram of 'I AM LAtE rARe' with 'tree' removed (beware of punctuation, in this case the hyphen is irrelevant)

**11A Fancy creeps on fancier pairs going out to the strain of a fruit sounding like them (10)**  
 Strain (=variety) of fruit sounding like 'pairs' (= pears) = CONFERENCE  
 Fancy='anagram' of 'CREEpS ON FaNCIEr' with 'pairs' removed  
**26A Fallon beginning to be charged for brushing constituent (8)**  
 Brushing constituent = FLUORIDE  
 Fallon beginning = F, which is the symbol for Fluorine, and when the Fluorine atom is charged it becomes the Fluoride ion which is added to toothpaste. Sorry I assumed this was general knowledge but maybe my pre-university job of testing Macleans and Aquafresh for Beechams in Leatherhead made this more obvious to me than most!  
**27A Being down on one knee having puff or taking in air (8)**  
 Being down on one knee = PROPOSER  
 Puff = PR (as in 'writing a puff piece for publicity), air = POSE (as in 'he adopted the air/pose of a nonchalant bachelor') which is then taken into OR



**9A I cry after turning on heel to find dream car (8)**  
 dream car = CADILLAC  
 I + (cry=CALL turned = LLAC) added on to heel=CAD  
**7A Endless 8 dance for eccentric (9)**  
 Eccentric = SCREWBALL  
 Endless = S (i.e.the end of less), 8 = crew (as in a rowing eight), dance=BALL  
**1A Butterflies maybe result when computing firm caught in kinky sex (6)**  
 Butterflies maybe = SITCOM (the 'maybe' points to 'Butterflies' being an example of something).  
 Computing=IT (= Information Technology) firm=CO (= company) and those are inside S and M for kinky sex  
 I hope that helps – any responses or queries will be happily received at [andrewt@andrewtatham.co.uk](mailto:andrewt@andrewtatham.co.uk)

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## A little space in the summer holiday break

We can all relate to how much a little bit of breathing space can really help reset our minds and bodies, and this is even more important for children as they are met with new environments, people, toys and activities, often on a daily basis.

So even though our nursery children are enjoying the summer holidays, behind closed doors we are still in full swing as staff (and happy helpers) prepare

our brand-new well-being area. We are really excited about this new space as it will give children a calmer area away from the busyness of a normal nursery day. As water is a recognised therapeutic enhancer for improving mood and concentration, we are also planning on having a small pond and water feature - perfect for taking in the sounds, smells and sights of nature.

The project is being funded partially by Stonegate homes who have supported the purchase of a new storage shed to replace our old one. At the end of last term, we participated in a research project for the Literacy and Deafness Development Research Lab at UCL and City, University of London. Studies into children's

development are vitally important, and we hope that by contributing we can aid insights into growth and learning. We are very passionate about our wonderful outdoor space, so we have also been updating our practitioner library which should shortly include a new book by Ann Watts on outdoor learning through the seasons. We often get asked what happens on a rainy day, and we always say, 'there's no such thing as unsuitable weather just unsuitable clothing'. Ann has been visiting the nursery to take photographs of our children to illustrate her new book. We hope you have all had a lovely summer, and we look forward to sharing our news from our new term in the next issue. Katherine Pinner

Photographs: Ben Tatham



The very popular and often hilarious Nursery Chicken Race at the fête



Some of our children's artwork entries in the Summer Show

## Will Dennis Paddleboards on the Thames

This year Will Dennis's mad charity fund-raising challenge was a 10k sponsored stand-up paddleboard trip on the Thames in aid of the Isiqalo Foundation Trust (Waves for Change), run by a friend of Annie's based in Cape Town. It works to help underprivileged children and young people in Liberia and South Africa by getting them involved in water sports.

After one training session on a Venetian canal intrepid Will, in a rather natty Superman suit, took to the water with the other paddleboarders at Chiswick, then drifted with the tide upstream in wind and the odd shower for just over an hour as far as Old Isleworth. They then awaited the turn of the tide in a 'surprisingly nice pub'.

Will found the allegedly much faster return downstream impeded by a strong headwind and 'trying to navigate through the middle of a rowing regatta on a paddle board, at the same time avoiding gigantic pleasure cruisers creating foot-high wash, sort of restricts your speed'. They had opera tickets that evening, and Annie had given Will a strict deadline, so in the end he didn't wait for the slow paddlers as requested and finished solo.

Will reports 'we made the opera in the nick of time, and it was very good, Don Carlo at Grange Park, but the orchestra were rather loud and kept waking me up. All in all it was a fun day out, and we raised over £5,000; about £1,600 of which was raised by me, by which I



mean you, and I'm very grateful, as is the charity. It's not too late to donate at <https://www.waves-for-change.org/thames-paddle/>



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## BRAIN TEASER answer: SEARCHING HIGH AND LOW

### Solution to the July / August crossword

Across: 1 Sitcom, 5 Assassin, 9 Cadillac, 10 Caress, 11 Conference, 12 Wall, 13 Epigrams, 16 Scanty, 17 Toyota, 19 Charlady, 21 Line, 22 Innkeepers, 25 Bertha, 26 Fluoride, 27 Proposer, 28 Lay low.

Down: 2 Idaho, 3 Cliff, 4 Malaria, 5 Accents, 6 Suckers, 7 Screwball, 8 Insulated, 14 Profiteer, 15 Goose step, 18 Animals, 19 Conifer, 20 Asexual, 23 Party, 24 Rodeo.



## RUN FOR LIFE Muddy Run – 27<sup>th</sup> July

Gill Wilson reports... The team (Gill, Isobel Bathurst, their daughters and a friend) made it to the end although all very muddy. Thank you so much for all the donations we have received so far.

If you still want to donate this can be done at:

<https://fundraiser.cancerresearchuk.org/gills-race-for-life-1057>



Pixham Artists Morna Case, Suzie Moore and Elizabeth Watson

## SMALL EXHIBITION OF LOCAL SCENES

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> September St Mary's Church, Pixham 10 am – 4 pm

## End of the School Year

2019 was a fantastic year here at St Michael's. We ended our year celebrating our successes with a church service in St Michael's Church led by Canon John and Woodpecker Class. Each child was awarded a certificate as a part of their graduation ceremony. We also look forward to welcoming new families into our school community to be a part of Otter class (Reception) in September.

We sadly said goodbye to a few members of our team at the end of term; we wish them well in their new ventures and hope they will always keep a special place for St Michael's in their hearts and keep coming back to let us know how they are getting on. Miss Reynolds is taking her infant knowledge and skills to a larger school in Reigate (Holmesdale Infant School), she has been a great asset to our school but is now ready to spread her wings. Mrs Moore will be returning

to us after a stint in Newdigate Infant School and we have no doubt she will bring back her boundless enthusiasm and energy as well as her tremendous experience. Mrs Nunn is also taking her knowledge and experience to a bigger school and expanding her role as Special Educational Needs Coordinator at St John's School in Reigate. She will be handing the baton on to Miss Fox who is very much looking forward to building on the already well-established inclusive culture here at the school. And last, but certainly not least, we are saying farewell to Miss Hazel after many years of dedicated service, sheer brilliance and many memorable moments of fun and enjoyment. She tells us she is shy, but we would beg to differ and will never forget the X-factor performances! Miss Hazel is putting her feet up and taking the time to pursue her own interests. She has made a difference to the lives of many children



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and families and we cannot thank her enough for all that she has done.

Our big project over the past two years has been our 'Sound clouds' for the hall and they have now been installed and look great! They have made a huge difference to the noise levels in the hall. Thank you to all who have helped by donating towards this project. We hope everyone has a wonderful and safe Summer holiday and look forward to another year of fun-filled learning in September.

Sandra Peers  
Head of School



Photograph: St Michael's School  
New Sound clouds in St Michael's School Hall



Photograph: Ben Tatham  
Pupils and teachers country dancing at the village fête

Our new web address: <https://stmichaels275775692.wordpress.com/>

## Children's Harvest Festival Workshop

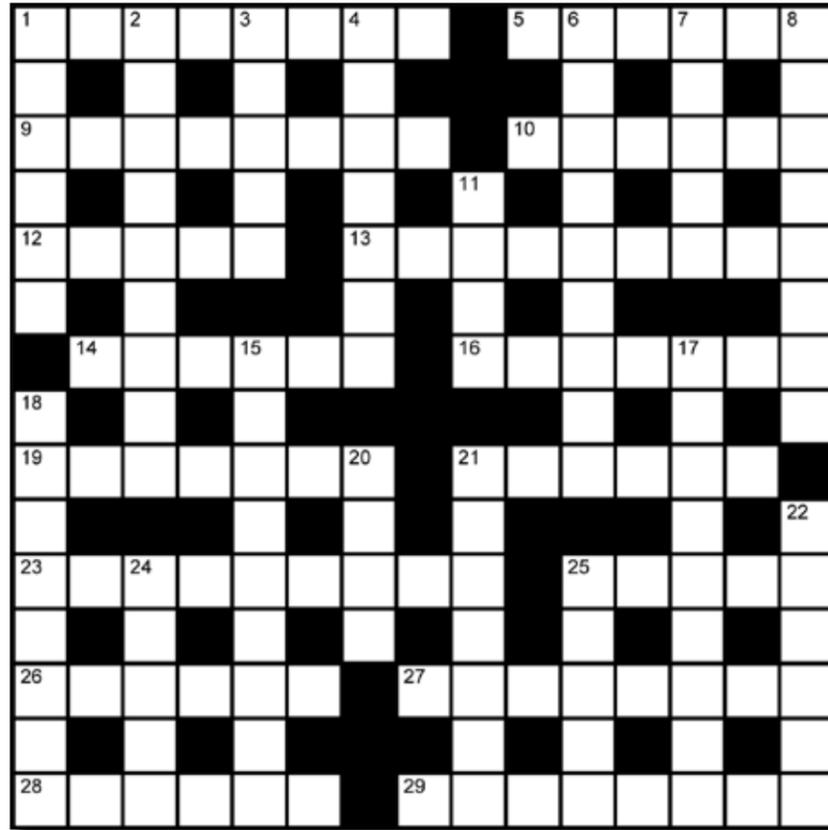
Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> October 9.45 am

In St Michael's School for all local accompanied children aged under 11

Followed by Harvest Festival Family Service

11 am St Michael's Church

# Cryptic Crossword



**Across**

- 1 Send word after stumble: 'this is to be avoided on 10' (4,4)
- 5 Frowns as last hood shot first (6)
- 9 Literary hybrids are the result as contents is two different animals (8)
- 10 Go around looking for tapdancing royal without Springbok's consent (6)
- 12 Have ideas about right-hand men (5)
- 13 It kept out the cold then sinus problem (6,3)
- 14 19 cheeses and a piece of cake (6)
- 16 Groomed deeper round about baboon's bottom (7)
- 19 Clear wild buddleia without doing head in (7)
- 21 Many do free miracle evacuation operation (6)
- 23 Slipped off circular mirrored yellow display (9)
- 25 Planes may be in position round about (5)
- 26 See 2 Down
- 27 Davis takes single in brown topper (8)
- 28 Boys from Durban can be tossed on the side? (6)
- 29 See 2 Down

**Down**

- 1 Eat out with harridan as a precursor to drink (3,3)
- 2/26/29 Have canoodle with nude lawyers laid out for 3 inspired by 23 (1,8,6,2,1,5)
- 3 Half of this whole thing and similar have these in a barney (5)
- 4 Dr Cameron is novel (7)
- 6 Changeable fellow can hole me in a storm (9)
- 7 Throw about after 3 for the lover of 23 (5)
- 8 Slide out mysteriously to remote state (8)
- 11 A fool is on the double (4)
- 15 Raw starter cooked outside after half of them are mixed up (9)
- 17 Having upset tum and starting to emit brown result? (6,3)
- 18 Mirror maybe to attractive women shows their childhood companions (3,5)
- 20 The village idiot hides foul wrong (4)
- 21 Death's head destroys last of Cypress tree's leaves (7)
- 22 Take off like cast after performance (6)
- 24 Belief in a living God gives you the strength inside to last (5)
- 25 T usually accompanies G? (5)

Andrew Tatham



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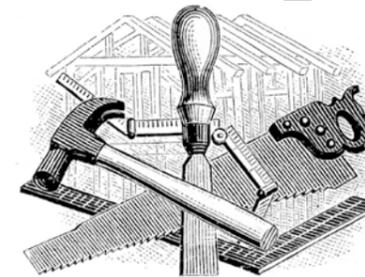
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