

# Malherbe Monthly

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**Front cover:** Sandra's afternoon Tea ladies after a Fish & Chip Lunch held at the Kings Head on Fri 27<sup>th</sup> January. Picture courtesy of John Collins

## News from St. Nicholas Church

**Morning Worship:** Just a friendly reminder that Morning Worship has been suspended for the next few months and will be under review in the Summer. We will still be holding Choral Evensong on the second Sunday at 6.30p.m. Hope to see you there. This month the Service will be lead by Rev: Caroline Pinchbeck who is the Diocesan Officer for Rural Affairs.

**Village Coffee Morning:** We will be holding our Village Coffee morning this month on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> February at 10.30a.m.- 12.00 noon. Do come along for a coffee or tea and a piece of homemade cake or a scone. We look forward to seeing you there. There is no charge for this but, there will be a plate for donations which will be sent to a charity later in the year.

**Ash Wednesday:** Ash Wednesday falls on 22<sup>nd</sup> and it is St. Nicholas' turn to hold the Benefice Service. This will be a Service of Holy Communion at 7.30p.m. Please come and support this Service. Coffee and biscuits will be served afterwards.

**Lent Lunches:** We will be holding our Lent Lunches again this Lent and the first one will held on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> February at Ivy House Farm, Liverton Hill from 12.00-2.00p.m. Do come and join us - we have soup, crusty bread and a coffee or tea and usually second helpings. A very pleasant time is had by everyone with much laughter and a good chat.

**The Gentlemen's Breakfast:** The Breakfast will be held again this month on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February, 8.00a.m. at the Red Lion, Lenham Square for a full English. There will be a Speaker and this month it is Chris Parkinson for the Army Benevolent Fund. Please ring Dick Venn to reserve a place on 01622 858195 or Frank Allen 01622 850559. This is a Benefice wide event.

**Harvest Supper:** A Date for your Diary. The Harvest Supper will be on 29<sup>th</sup> September 7.30pm for 8.00pm in the Village Hall. Janet Collins has volunteered to organise the event this year. Many thanks Janet.

**Christmas Quiz:** Pat Anderson tells me that the Christmas Quiz will take place again this year and the date is 1st December so make a note in your Diary now.

**Joan Davidson**

## Answers at the back (don't look first!)

	Find the missing word?
1	_____ Flame, The only No 1 in 1988 for The Bangles
2	The _____, Sunday version of the Guardian newspaper
3	_____ Anglia, Low lying region of England
4	Sigmund _____, World famous founder of Psychoanalysis
5	_____ Loaf Mountain, that towers over Rio de Janerio
6	The _____, Nickname of cowboy star John Wayne
7	_____ Sharon, Was the prime Minister of Israel between 2001 - 2006
8	Holly _____, Character played by Audrey Hepburn in Breakfast at Tiffany's
9	_____ Bell, Young screen talent who portrayed Billy Elliot
10	Barbra _____, New York singing sensation and actress in Hello Dolly

**Ken and Eve Sweet  
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## Village Hall News

Don't miss the great ***GRAFTY GREEN FROG RACE MEETING on March 3<sup>rd</sup>*** !  
Yes, the next evening of fun and nonsense at the Village Hall is on the **first Saturday of March** (so this could be the first and last chance I get to tell you about it). Please be sure to note the date while it's in your mind.

"So, what is it?", I hear you croak?

It's a bit like the traditional horse race evening (where you bet on the outcome of filmed races) but it's more fun - because we don't have filmed races, we have live racing in the Hall. Not with live frogs, you understand, but with live jockeys (and that could be you!) competing to get their mock frogs past the winning post first.

The winning frog-jockey in every race gets a prize - but perhaps your ambitions are higher? You could become an 'owner' of a frog and win an even larger prize. Can't afford to buy a frog? (although a thoroughbred will only set you back a fiver), well, just come along with some pound coins in your pocket and bet on a winning frog to go home with twice as much as you brought!. Doors open at 7.30, when a full explanation will be given. The first race starts at 8.00pm.

Admission tickets ('Race Cards'), costing just £1, will be on sale at the village shop soon, but numbers will be limited because we need to keep some of the floor clear for the racing. If you want to be sure of getting in, **call Robert Turner on 850325 or Mandy Hitchins on 858937** and they'll reserve you a ticket now.

Other news now and, firstly, some feedback on our 'Phil The Bag' event. We accumulated a mini-mountain of material: 124 bags, weighing perhaps half a tonne, which could earn us £200 - £300. Thanks are due to Faye Jezard for helping to label the bags; Sylvia and her team for distributing them with the magazine, and to Rob and Hazel & the Egerton Telecottage for the loan of their advertising boards. And thanks are, of course, due to all of you who troubled to bag and bring to the Hall all those unwanted clothes and similar items. The income will be put towards Hall improvements (refurbishment of the loos in particular) and towards our Jubilee celebration on June 4<sup>th</sup>, ideas for which are coming in all the time.

We've now booked a stilt-walking, fire juggling, magic act and the latest suggestion is for those villagers with classic (or unusual) cars or other vehicles to display them (and perhaps even offer rides?) If you own a vehicle of interest that you'd like to display, please do get in touch with me.

The Jubilee event, which will run from late afternoon until early evening (when a beacon will be lit on Liverton Hill), will centre around a hog roast and there will be live music, stalls and much else to keep us entertained. Keep tuned to this magazine for more news as it comes in!.

**Richard Pilborough (01622 850484)**

## **Grafty Green Water Supply**

Since the fire at The Barn which revealed shortcomings in the water supply for the purposes of fire fighting in the village the Parish Council has been in discussion with South East Water to try to improve the situation.

The main problem stems from the fact that the same water main system supplies fire hydrants and households.

Whilst there are recommendations in National Guidance Documents for providing adequate supplies of water to fire hydrants they are not a legal requirement and there is no obligation upon South East Water to follow them. It is the opinion of the Parish Council, based upon the failure of the system to supply sufficient water to fire hydrants during the fire that all properties are at an unnecessarily high risk unless the supply is upgraded to meet National Guidance.

To date South East Water say that the water pressure is controlled at a level to minimise the possibility of leaks and burst pipes and to increase it substantially to provide more fire fighting capability would cause failures in the system. However, there are possible solutions to explore and discussion will continue.

In parallel with the problems of water for fire fighting the Parish Council has also discussed the numerous complaints of insufficient pressure at properties with South East Water and we have obtained agreement that, if we submit a list of properties which suffer from low pressure, they will be investigated with a view to improvement, provided that the pressure is below the minimum legal requirement.

Unfortunately, based upon experience during the fire, the minimum legal requirement for households is inadequate for the effective use of fire hydrants fed off the same water main.

If anyone believes their water pressure is inadequate, a very rough check can be done at a time when you think the pressure will be at it's lowest by simply filling a 1 gallon (4.5 litres) container at your kitchen tap. If it fills in less than 30 seconds then there is no point in pursuing a complaint but if it takes longer then please note the date, time, and number of seconds to fill the container. Please leave the information on the prepared list in the shop together with your name and address, alternatively you can email me at [galtonweeks@gmail.com](mailto:galtonweeks@gmail.com) or telephone me on 850369 before the end of February.

The information will be given to South East Water who will then investigate.

It may take a long time to resolve these problems and there are no guarantees so please be patient. Further reports will be published in due course.

**Ron Galton**  
**Vice-Chairman**  
**Boughton Malherbe Parish Council**

## Fire Update

This article is necessarily written before our fire prevention meeting in the village hall on Tuesday 31<sup>st</sup> January albeit you will not receive the magazine until after the meeting. Further meetings have taken place with Kent Fire Service and they are working with us in a pro-active way with a number of initiatives such that our village is to be used as a 'pilot' for rural areas generally.

As a result of a survey we have carried out regarding fire hydrants throughout the village and shortcomings noted a maintenance team will this week bring all hydrants up to standard and additionally be permanently marking road surfaces with a yellow 'H' to much improve hydrant visibility. We in the village will be regularly visually checking hydrants to ensure they will always be in a state of operational readiness if the unfortunate need arises.

On the fire prevention front KFRS have confirmed their willingness to visit homes and premises to advise on fire safety (free), and in appropriate cases fit smoke alarms without charge. It is worth noting there are many types of alarm e.g. for the hard of hearing they have one with a 'vibrate pad' which goes under the pillow.

KFRS general message is about safely storing flammable substances and materials, exercising care with open fires, log burners and other forms of heating, having the chimney swept yearly, having a periodic electrical safety check by a properly qualified electrician. Consider smoke alarms in loft areas where a fire could start and burn for sometime before being apparent. Similarly additionally consider a carbon monoxide alarm – carbon monoxide a deadly smell-less and colourless gas which can kill in minutes and is produced by burning numerous fuels and materials including wood for which the chimney or flue must be in good condition and properly ventilated.

Think fire safety at all times and don't delay calling the fire brigade even if initially a fire seems small. Contrary to the belief of many KFRS do not make a charge for attending any fire including false alarms. Finally we say again our first on scene fire appliance for large parts of the day and night will come from Maidstone or Ashford and not Headcorn or Lenham.

Finally KFRS request please always be aware of, and keep, fire hydrants clear at all times particularly do not park over them at any time of day or night. A yellow 'H' in the road will easily denote a hydrant position.

### **Last minute stop press:**

KFRS have today (Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> January) been busy in the Parish regarding our fire hydrants. They have confirmed 11 of 13 are fully operational albeit some require further remedial work which will be done soon. Of the other two, one is buried, and

the other totally 'lost'. Both will be rectified soon. You will notice they are a lot more visible with bright yellow covers and a permanently marked 'H' in the road.

**All queries/ information Chris Wheal 858100 or Robert Turner 850325**



**This is a message from Kent Police, West Division and Maidstone and Malling Neighbourhood Watch Association.**

It can sometime be difficult for us to give you a warning about a particularly company who is operating in the Maidstone area because of legal reasons. However, where possible we would like to give you help and support to protect yourself against any possible threat to you.

We would like to warn you about someone who has been using company fliers to make themselves look legitimate when knocking on doors in the Penenden Heath area, which at this stage we believe may be linked to some burglaries in the area. It is possible that the person has worked for the company at some time or has managed to get their hands on the fliers.

This is a warning to be cautious of anyone knocking on your door trying to gain entry to your property or selling you a product. While we are sure there are many honest people trying to make an honest living who operate by going door to door, there are a small group of people who use this method to obtain something by illegal means. If you are very worried about someone knocking on your door and they are still in the area call 999. If you would like to inform us after, to give a description or vehicle number then please call the Police non emergency number 101. Do not be afraid to say no to someone, you are the important one and the safety of you or your property is paramount to us.

## Mondays to Fridays

Service No	School Days Only				
	59	59	66	59	59
Maidstone, King Street, Stop L2	1220	1350	See Note	1610	1725
Maidstone, Chequers Bus Station, J4	1222	1352	Note	1612	1727
Wheatshaf, Loose Road	1229	1359	1	1619	1734
Loose, Loose Road/Old Loose Hill	1233	1403	....	1623	1738
Linton Corner	1237	1407	....	1627	1742
Cornwallis Academy	....	....	1505	....	....
Boughton Monchelsea, Albion	1242	1412	....	1632	1747
Boughton Monchelsea, Cock Inn	1245	1415	1509	1635	1750
Chart Sutton, Buffalo's Head	1248	1418	1512	1638	1753
Warmlake Corner	1251	1421	1515	1641	1756
Kingswood, Ashford Drive	1259	....	1523	1649	1804
Kingswood, Village Hall	....	1426	1525	1651	1806
Ulcombe, Post Office	1306	....	1530	1656	1811
Grafty Green, Kings Head	1313	....	....	1703	1818
Grafty Green, Pig & Whistle	....	....	1535	....	....
Headcom, opp. Millbank Lay-by	....	....	1544	....	....
Sutton Valence, The Harbour	....	....	1549	....	....

## Saturdays

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59	59	59	59	59
0838	1241	1525	1755	....
0840	1243	1527	1757	....
0847	1250	1534	1804	....
via	1254	1538	1808	....
Sutton	1258	1542	1812	....
Road	....	....	....	....
and	1303	1547	1817	....
Langley	1306	1550	1820	....
....	1309	1553	1823	....
0859	1312	1556	1826	....
0907	1320	....	1834	....
0909	1322	1804	1836	....
0914	1327	....	1841	....
0921	1334	....	1848	....
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## CODES

\* - These buses are provided on behalf of Kent County Council. If you have any comments or suggestions, please write to Transport Integration, Kent County Council, Gibson Drive, Kings Hill, West Malling, Kent, ME19 4QG.

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Grafty Green, Pig & Whistle	....	....	0745	....	....
Grafty Green, Kings Head	0710	0721	....	0930	....
Ulcombe, Post Office	0717	0729	0750	0937	....
Kingswood, Village Hall	0722	0733	0754	0942	1430 1430
Kingswood, Ashford Drive	0725	0736	0757	0944	1432 1432
Warmlake Corner	0731	0742	0801	0950	1438 1438
Chart Sutton, Buffalo's Head	0735	0745	0804	0953	1441 1441
Boughton Monchelsea, Cock Inn	0738	0749	0807	0956	1444 1444
Boughton Monchelsea, Albion	0741	0751	....	0958	1446 1447
Cornwallis Academy	....	....	0820	....	1505
Linton Corner	0746	0756	....	1003	1451 1506
Loose, Loose Road/Old Loose Hill	0750	0800	....	1006	1454 1509
Wheatshaf, Loose Road	0756	0806	....	1012	1500 1515
Maidstone, King Street	....	0814	....	1020	1508 1523
Maidstone, Chequers Bus Station	0806	....	....	....	....
London Road, Somerfield Hospital	0817	....	....	....	....
Tonbridge Road, Oakwood Park	0826	....	....	....	....

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0747	0937	1350	1606	....
0753	0943	1356	1612	....
0756	0946	1359	via	....
0759	0949	1402	Langley	....
0802	0952	1405	and	....
....	....	....	Sutton	....
0807	0957	1410	Road	....
0811	1001	1414	....	....
0815	1005	1418	1624	....
0820	1013	1426	1632	....
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## Pet's Corner!

### AN ITCHY PROBLEM...

It is not unusual for dogs to develop an itch, and the first possible cause to eliminate is always the flea.

#### The Busy Life Of The Flea!

Remember that, because of central heating, the flea can happily live and reproduce all year round, whether you have carpets or wooden flooring.

The most common flea is the cat flea, but it is at home on your dog or cat!

The adult flea does not leave its host, but drops hundreds of eggs into the environment during its short life span. These eggs hatch into a larval form which is nearly invisible to the naked eye. The larvae remain in your carpet until they have fed sufficiently on carpet debris, and then form a cocoon in which to develop into an adult. No treatment is able to penetrate this cocoon, and the immature flea can remain in this stage for 18 months or more.



When conditions are ideal - plenty of carbon dioxide, warm and humid and lots of vibrations (the trampling feet of a potential host) - the cocoon hatches out into a hungry young flea, which jumps straight back on its new host and repeats the cycle.

#### How To Beat The Flea!

Ensure that all your pets, cats and dogs, are treated with an effective flea treatment. Spot-on preparations are the easiest, most effective and safest to apply (e.g. Stronghold, Frontline, Advocate) and some even include a worming preparation, too! Use these monthly or as directed.



Next, treat the environment!

For every ONE flea seen on your pet, there are about another ninety-nine in the carpets and bedding as eggs, larvae and cocoons!

Create the ideal 'hatching' conditions - crank up your heating, close all the windows and vacuum thoroughly - the cocooned fleas will think the vibrations are hosts! Use a household flea spray - try and buy one that has a growth regulator in it, as this will also kill the larval stage as well as adults and hatchlings. Ensure that all food, water bowls and fish tanks are either well covered or removed. Spray as per instructions.

If you have a severe flea infestation, speak to your vet first about a treatment protocol!

Article written by  
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## Parish Council Elections - Boughton Malherbe - 3<sup>rd</sup> May 2012

You may not be aware that there will be an election for Boughton Malherbe Parish Council in May 2012. The Parish Council is elected every 4 years for a term of 4 years and now is the time to think if you would like to become a councillor. With the Localism Bill proceeding through Parliament it is expected that Parish Councils will be given additional responsibilities to undertake on behalf of the parishioners.

At the time of writing, it is not known if the current Parish Councillors will be standing for an additional term - Boughton Malherbe has 5 councillors and if all 5 stand again and no new candidates stand for election then the election will not proceed and the current Parish Councillors will be elected without a vote !!!

Further information on how to become a Parish Councillor and the procedure to follow please contact the Parish Clerk or Maidstone Borough Council.

## **Yoga classes in Grafty Green Village Hall**

Wednesday evenings 7 – 8.30, 22<sup>nd</sup> February – 28<sup>th</sup> March

Thursday mornings 9.30 – 11, 23<sup>rd</sup> February – 29<sup>th</sup> March

Investment £6 a session or discount for block booking.

Mixed ability class, beginners welcome.

The Yoga class can be tailored or adapted to suit any age, male or female.

The benefits experienced from attending regular yoga classes:

- A general glow and feeling energised.
- Confidence grows.
- Open body language.
- Developing fitness and tone.
- Strength and stamina.
- Developing self-awareness.
- Increased concentration and focus.
- Physical and mental balance.
- Improved flexibility.
- Reduced levels of stress and relief from tension.
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Yoga gives you the opportunity to:

- ✓ Move freely
- ✓ Think clearly
- ✓ Breath fully

Further details from Sue Burch – British Wheel of Yoga Teacher – 850381 or email [grafftyyoga@gmail.com](mailto:grafftyyoga@gmail.com)

## **Bulky Refuse Collections (Saturday Freighter Service)**

Maidstone Borough Council have issued the timetable for the Saturday Freighter Service up to 24<sup>th</sup> March 2012.

### **Grafty Green**

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March      15:15 – 15:45 -: Church Rd – Junction Headcorn Rd

### **Platts Heath**

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March      14:30 – 15:10 -: Green Lane

### **Ulcombe**

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March      09:25 - 09.55 -: Lodge Gardens

## Grafty Green Gardening Club 2012 Programme

Date	Event/Speaker	Subject
Feb 7	Jacqueline Aviolet	Hardy Geraniums
March 6	Sue Scrivens	More Wayside Plants
April 3	Spring Show / Laurie Manser	More Gardening Memories
May 1	Sandra Pilborough and Sylvia Galton	Making the best of flower arranging
May 15	Ros Bennett	Ferns and Mosses in Elmstone Lane
June 9 Saturday 2pm	Outing Molesworth, Benenden	Private garden
July 3 6.30 pm	Eaglewood, Warren Street,	Mr and Mrs Darvill's garden
27 – 29 July	Weekend in Sussex	
August 7 6.30pm	Bean Place Nursery, Headcorn	Nursery visit
Sept 4	Autumn Show - Neil Coombs	Vintage Trees
Oct 2	Veronica Moore	Horticultural Therapy
Nov 6	Sue Buckingham	Wild flowers of the Mediterranean
Dec 4	Social – Tom La Dell	Weird and Wacky things to eat from the Garden

The February meeting is on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> at 7.30 in the Village Hall. The Speaker is Jacqueline Aviolet who will be speaking and bringing samples of Hardy Geraniums. You are invited to come and find out more about these useful, colourful, tolerant Geraniums, perhaps buy a specimen or two! Phone Sue Burch (850381) or Rosemary Smith (850526) for more details

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## **The Grafty Gourmet**

This is something that I created using left over turkey at Christmas. Its very easy to make, and the result was mouth watering. Spaghetti can be used in place of tagliatelle, but I prefer the latter, as it coats with the sauce so much better.

### **Chicken Tagliatelle with Creamy Stilton Sauce**

Serves 2

1 x Onion -chopped	300ml double cream
2 x Cloves of Garlic - finely chopped	80g Stilton Cheese - crumbled
25g Butter	200g Dried Tagliatelle Pasta
2 x Chicken Breasts - sliced	Black Pepper to season
8 x Mushrooms - sliced	

1. Melt the butter slowly in a sauce pan and add the chopped onion & garlic. Simmer for about 2 minutes until onion has softened. Whilst the onions are simmering, bring a sauce pan of water to the boil. Once boiling, place in the Tagliatelle, and turn the heat down, but still keeping the water bubbling. This helps prevent the pasta sticking together. Stir the pasta occasionally whilst cooking.
2. Once the onions are soft, add the sliced chicken breasts and simmer. Half way through frying the chicken, add the sliced mushrooms stirring occasionally.
3. When the chicken is cooked through, turn the heat to a low simmer and add the cream, followed by the crumbled stilton. Season with a little black pepper. (No salt is required, as the stilton substitutes for this). Stir until the stilton has melted.
4. After approximately 10 minutes, the pasta should be cooked al dente. Drain, and stir into the chicken and cream mixture, until all the pasta is evenly coated. Serve immediately.

## **Road Closure**

The closure is on 13<sup>th</sup> February and this is scheduled to be for 3 days. The location for the closure is essentially the road that runs alongside Boughton Malherbe Church and will be approx 150 meters long. This closure is for BT to replace a Telegraph Pole. The suggested diversion route is via Liverton Hill and Park Lane !!

## **News From Ulcombe Village School**

This is the first time I have written in 2012. This promises to be a wonderful year with the Queen's Diamond Jubilee and the Olympics to name just two of the highlights in store for us all. This is also the year that the building of our extension will finally get under way. The library has been many years in the planning, but finally we can feel like we are getting there. The land where our adventure trail used to be will be sold in the coming weeks. Building work on the extension will start as soon as possible after the money has been received, to include a library, disabled toilet and small kitchen area. If there are enough funds, we will improve the entrance and office areas, too. To now be so close to starting work is very exciting for us all.

During the last two months thousands of pounds have been spent to upgrade our ICT equipment and so improve the quality of the children's learning. Although we are still waiting for all of the equipment to be fully installed, it is now just a matter of days before we are 'up and running'. The FUS and School Council are working together to improve the outside area, which is fantastic.

### **NOW MOVING FROM GOOD TO OUTSTANDING**

As a school we are making good strides all the time, which was reflected in our recent Ofsted and Church Inspections. The last week of term started with our Statutory Inspection of Anglican Schools. This is an inspection conducted by the Diocese following an Ofsted Inspection.

The three areas of focus for the inspection are how well we meet the needs of all learners as a Church of England school, the impact of collective worship and the effectiveness of leadership and management. In all of these areas the inspector judged us to be good. There were three particular strengths which he identified. The first was our clear understanding of how the school's distinctive Christian character is used to nurture all of the children it serves. The second strength was our link with the church and a drive to expand the range of activities provided to enhance the life of the community. The third strength that was singled out for special mention was the use of worship to inspire the spiritual growth of those in the school family.

We were delighted that our work in these areas was recognized and praised. Indeed, with regard to collective worship we need only to increase the number of monitoring visits conducted by Governors to be rated as outstanding. Increasing monitoring forms two of our three action points, with the third being about Christian values. This is something which we started to look at with the children with our focus this term being on friendship. The full report will be available on the school web-site soon. If you would like a paper copy, please contact the School Office.

### **TEAM OF THE YEAR**

After an incredible season, our footballers have been nominated for the Maidstone Youth Sports Achievement Award, as Team of the Year. Several of the squad are

thoroughly looking forward to the ceremony at Mote Park which takes place at the end of January.

The Youth Sport Achievement Awards are the biggest celebration of sport in Maidstone. Family, friends, sports coaches and teachers had to nominate individuals, teams and schools that showed dedication, improvement and sporting success, over the last year. The awards are not just about celebrating high level achievers but also those that have shown extraordinary effort and dedication throughout 2011. Hugh Robertson, MP, will be the guest speaker.

### **CELEBRATING MOTHERING SUNDAY**

The next Ulcombe School Friends' Dinner will again be during the week before Mothering Sunday. All parents, grandparents and friends from the wider community are welcome to come in for a roast dinner at 1pm, when older children will look after you by waiting at tables and making sure you do not go thirsty. The Mothering Sunday Assembly will follow at 1.45pm (or soon after), when all of the children will show off some of their work and help us to celebrate. We will also have a surprise guest appearance. Please contact the School Office to book your place.

As usual when we celebrate Mothering Sunday, FUS are organizing a prize draw to take place on the same day. Look out for more information at the start of March.

### **FRIENDS OF ULCOMBE SCHOOL**

At the first FUS meeting of 2012 the committee were able to reflect on the successes of the previous events. Christmas was a very successful time, despite illness reducing our numbers at the annual FUS Christmas Fayre. Through the Fayre and the sale of tea-towels FUS raised an amazing sum of £1,075.96. Our thanks, as ever, go to Mrs Arundel, Mrs Tew, the FUS committee, staff and all of you who spared time and energy preparing for the Fayre, running stalls and, of course, come along to spend money. Phil the Bank has been very popular, too. This has already raised around £133 that we know of, and we are still waiting for more money to come in.

Looking ahead, the next event will be the St. Valentine's Disco. This will take place on Thursday 9th February, starting after school. FUS are trying hard to organize a Bingo evening with our friends at the Village Hall some time after Easter. Watch this space! Moving in to the summer, dates to put in your diary are Saturday 23rd June, for our Sports Day and Summer Fayre and Saturday 14th July, which is the date of our Summer Ball. You should have received an invitation, but if you need another one please ask at the School Office. We would like to have an idea of numbers for the hotel very soon, so please do send in your reply as soon as you can, either to the School Office.

FUS and the School Council are joining forces in the coming weeks to improve our school. The Council has been raising money for a wooden gazebo, that could be used as an outdoor classroom, shelter for the children during playtimes and shelter for grown-ups when collecting their children and FUS have decided to give them a

helping hand. We are thrilled that this is close to reality now, thanks to the hard work of both groups.

### **MANY THANKS**

We were delighted to send over £150 to Barnado's this Christmas, following the Christmas activities, helping their work with children and young people. Many thanks to all of you who contributed!

### **MOVING ON**

Naturally we in school are very disappointed when children move on as happened at the start of this term with one of our pupils. But on a positive note a new pupil started school on the same day, two more pupils should be with us by the time you read this, and another pupil has been offered a place at our wonderful school. With improving resources and facilities, and all inspection reports showing progression, we know we are moving forward to a bright future. In fact, now is a brilliant time to be here, as we continue to make our great school even better.

Finally, if you know anyone who has children who are due to start school in September, please check that they have applied for a place already. If there is anyone who has not applied for a place yet, please give the parents our contact details and we will do everything we can to help.

With Very Best Wishes,

**Mr V Hampton**  
***Head Teacher***

## **Platts Heath School PTFA Quiz Night**

**Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February  
8pm**

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The business directory delivered to every door is the reason some members join LVBA, a business directory published like a classified section under specific headings that helps people who want to find a service or a product quickly and easily. The publication is also full of other useful information and important telephone numbers - ideal for you to keep by your phone. If you haven't got one already you should receive it soon. It goes to all areas stretching from Harrietsham to Charing to Ulcombe, around 7,000 in total.

It is just one of the many benefits of LVBA membership you can read about on our web site - for sole traders it is just £65 and even for businesses employing up to 9 people it is still only £75 per year. The membership is fantastic value for money which is why the membership speedily approaches 100.

Details about the monthly networking events can be found on the networking page of our web site. Every first Tuesday of the month in 2012 (apart from June) we will be networking nearby. On 07 February our speaker is Denise Humphrey on Excel Spreadsheets at The Harrow Inn; on 06 March the speaker is Flo Churchill, MBC 'The Business role in Neighbourhood Planning'; on 03 April Jon Burston, Rialto IT with a presentation called '12 top tips for 2012'. Make sure you stay in touch. If you are a first timer go to the Lenham Business web site and register to attend. It costs nothing and we can provide with you with some good networking opportunities.

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## **St. Nicholas Boughton Malherbe**

### **Services in February**

#### **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Lent**

**5<sup>th</sup> 9.30a.m. Holy Communion BCP**

#### **2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent**

**12<sup>th</sup> 6.30p.m. Choral Evensong BCP**

#### **Sunday next before Lent**

**19<sup>th</sup> 9.30a.m. Holy Communion CW1**

#### **Ash Wednesday**

**22<sup>nd</sup> 7.30p.m. Holy Communion CW1**

#### **Lent 1**

**26<sup>th</sup> 9.30a.m. Family Worship**

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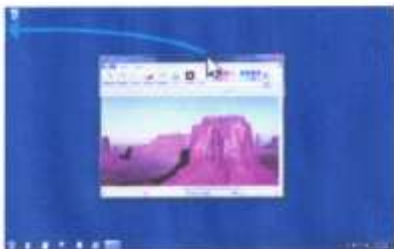
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# Grafty Geeks - Computer Tip of the Month

## WHAT'S NEW IN WINDOWS® 7

**DESKTOP** - New features on the Windows desktop make it easier to organize and manage multiple windows, and switch easily between open windows so that you can focus on important programs and files. Other new features help you add a personal touch to your desktop.

**SNAP** - You can use Snap to arrange and resize windows on the desktop with a flick of the mouse. Using Snap, you can quickly align windows at the side of the desktop, expand them vertically to the entire height of the screen, or maximize them to completely fill the desktop. Snap can be especially helpful when comparing two documents, copying or moving files between two windows, maximizing the window you're currently working on, or expanding long documents so they're easier to read and require less scrolling.



To use Snap, drag the title bar of an open window to either side of the desktop to align it there, or drag it to the top of the desktop to maximize the window. To expand a window vertically using Snap, drag the top edge of the window to the top of the desktop. For more information, search for "Snap" in Help and Support.

**Gadgets** - Windows Sidebar isn't included in this version of Windows. Instead, you can display gadgets anywhere on your desktop, and organize them however you like.



To find the Gadgets, go to the Search bar on the Start button and type Gadgets – once you see the gadgets, click and drag the gadget you want onto the desktop



**Search** - The Start menu includes a search box that you can use to find files, folders, programs, and e-mail messages stored on your computer. When you start typing a word or phrase in the search box, the search begins automatically, and the search results temporarily fill the Start menu space above the search box.



The search results are organized into groups, depending on what kind of item each result is and where it's located on your computer. For example, you might see your search results grouped by Programs, by Control Panel tasks, by library (such as Documents or Pictures), and by Files.



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## **A New format for the New Year**

### **1-hour Individual sessions during the week (known as 1-2-1)**

We would like to introduce a new way for you to get help from the Telecottage for 2012 as an experiment for 3 months. We will still be operating the Saturday morning clinics, but would like to offer weekday morning surgeries for people to come along and have a 1-2-1 for 1-hour with one of the volunteers, specifically designed for you and your particular need.

To help us manage this properly, we will be offering the dates and times shown below; you will need to call us to book a slot and provide your phone number, email address and what you need help with. We will also ask for you to pay the price of £5 prior to your session, by cheque, or by popping into the Telecottage on any Saturday morning between 10am and 12 noon, where bookings can be taken and confirmed.

**There will be 3 x 1- hour slots available between 9am–12noon  
on the following dates:**

**February: Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup>, Monday 6<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**March: Thursday 1<sup>st</sup>, Monday 5<sup>th</sup>, Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup>, Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup>, Thursday 29<sup>th</sup>**

**The list below is not exhaustive but provided to give an idea of what can be covered:**

**Getting Started  
Digital Photography  
Family History  
Word Processing  
Tables in Word**

**Manage Files & Folders  
Photos: Camera to PC  
Edit Photos  
Email Photos  
Produce a Calendar**

**Produce a newsletter  
Use the internet  
Facebook/Twitter/Skype  
Excel  
PowerPoint**

# PLATTS HEATH PRIMARY SCHOOL

## NEWSLETTER

Date: 27<sup>th</sup> January 2012



No: 7

### Where small works

*We are still in Winter, yet no sign of snow – as disappointing as this might be for the children I am pleased I haven't looked like a contestant from 'Dancing on Ice' as I walk to the gates! Please read on to find out what has been happening so far this term.*

Piers Anscomb

### Nut allergy

As you all know one of our children has a severe nut allergy and we therefore ask that packed lunches and break-time snacks do not contain any nuts or nut related products.



### Cycling Smoothies

The children from Goodison and Allington classes had great fun last week making fruit smoothies with only a bicycle and their legs to power the liquidiser. Mr Crothall, a chef from Eden foods explained the importance of fruit in our diets and why we need the different vitamins and minerals that they provide. The children all had a turn at powering the smoothie bike before then sampling the delicious drink. I hope this might start a mini-revolution at home with children choosing smoothies over fizzy drinks?



### Wake Up Shake Up

Mrs Kennett's is Wake Up Shake Up sessions have been rather disrupted due to the weather conditions but when its not too slippery or raining look out for her on the Playground (not too sure you can miss her) every Monday, Wednesday and Friday morning at 8.45am when she will be holding a 10 minute exercise session to get brains and bodies warmed up.



### School Dinners

Payment for school dinners has to be made in advance in cash to the school office or via debit card on the dedicated secure payment line 01634 290388. Please send cash payments into school in sealed envelopes marked with your child's name, the amount enclosed and which days your child is having a school dinner.



### Star of the Week – Term 3

The stars of the week for this term are: Hayden Gundersen, Keira Packer-Giles, Scarlett Wrighton and Lacey-Mae Chaney from Hoy class, Joseph Gundersen, Jayden Andrews, Tilly Cook and Xavier Chipchase from Goodison class and Isobel Gundersen, Hannah Wilkins, Lawrence Bordean and James Feldman from Adlington class.

### Weather – Wrapping Up

As we are now in Winter, can I remind parents and carers that children should come prepared with a coat, hat, scarf and gloves as we will still have playtimes as long as it is not raining heavily. Children will also need these items if they visit St. Ed's centre during the day. Wellingtons or similar can be worn to school but children must bring their school shoes to change into once at school.



### January Uniform Sale!

Mrs Kennett has the following jumpers and cardigans with the white logo available at 50% off normal price:

- 2 x 34" V-neck @ £4.10 each
- 3 x 36" V-neck @ £4.25 each
- 1 x 30" Round neck @ £4.00
- 1 x 36" Cardigan @ £5.10
- 1 x 34" Cardigan @ £5.00

Hurry while stocks last!

### PTFA

The PTFA have organised another quiz for Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February at St. Edmunds Centre. 7.30pm start. Tickets are £5.00 per person, maximum of 6 in a team. Please see Jenny Butler or Grace Goddard to book your team.

There is also a proposal for a new style of Summer Fair, look out for a PTFA newsletter asking your opinion on this.



### Water, water everywhere

Next Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February we have a visitor from South East Water who will be talking to Adlington Class about 'The wonderful world of water'.

### Tea Towels

Don't forget that Mrs Kennett has school tea towels in the office for that last minute birthday present!



## Link Word Puzzle - Answers at the back (don't look first!)

	Word 1	Word 2	Word 3	Answer
1	Eye	Protection	Box	<b>Witness</b>
2	Quantum	Frog	Year	
3	Round	Turn	Lay	
4	Soft	Stone	Type	
5	Arithmetic	Health	Block	
6	Curtain	Fire	Fund	
7	Short	Tall	Love	
8	Pine	Crab	Pie	
9	Cast	Lung	Grappling	
10	Treasure	Anthem	Grid	
11	Birth	Bank	Flat	
12	Physical	Bike	Book	
13	Tooth	Curry	Meat	
14	Ring	Stamp	Plant	
15	Trouble	Prize	Blind	
16	Weight	Waste	Work	

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## The February Night Sky

The **Sun** is in the constellation of Capricornus at beginning of February, and moves into Aquarius on the 16<sup>th</sup>.

**Full Moon** occurs on Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> February when bordering the constellations of Cancer and Leo, and **New Moon** is on Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> January.

**Mercury** is in **superior conjunction** (almost directly behind the Sun) on 7<sup>th</sup> February, so it will not be possible to get any reasonable views of this elusive planet until early next month.

**Venus** is visible in the south western sky just after sunset, and again it is difficult to miss the "Evening Star" as it is the brightest object in the sky.

**Mars** is rising in the east in the middle of the evening, and is high in the southern sky at dawn. Relative to the stars it is moving steadily north eastwards in the constellation of Leo. Through a telescope it may be possible to see the dark and light patches on the surface, together with the white North Polar Cap.

**Jupiter** is again well placed for viewing in the evenings this month. It is high in the south western sky at dusk and is brighter than any of the stars. Though a telescope you should be able to see the dark and light bands together with the **Great Red Spot**. It may also be possible to see, even through binoculars, Jupiter's four major moons.

**Saturn** is rising in the east shortly before midnight, and is well up in the southern western sky just before dawn. Relative to the stars it is almost stationary in the constellation of Virgo. Through a telescope you should be able to see the famous rings together with many of its moons.

Some of you may have read a few weeks ago that scientists have found a way to make an event "disappear" in time. We already know that it is possible to bend light around objects to make them invisible, but a team at Cornell University in New York State has now taken the concept a step further by creating a hole in time rather than space. By speeding up some parts of a light beam while slowing down others, and then immediately restoring the light beam to its normal state, they created a gap in time measuring 40 trillionths of a second. So in theory, anything which happened during this gap, could not be detected and would not exist in our perception of time. However, the technique could probably only produce a gap of 0.00012 seconds, which would be of very little practical use.

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The minutes for the last meeting (and all  
previous minutes) can be viewed on the  
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## Ulcombe History Society

The next meeting of the Ulcombe History Society will be on Tuesday the 6<sup>th</sup> of March. Following a brief AGM there will be a talk by Imogen Corrigan on *Our Anglo Saxon Heritage*. She is an excellent speaker and this will be her third visit to our society.

The Ulcombe History Society is open to anyone interested in history. We meet at 7.30 pm in Ulcombe Village hall, and after the talk wine and nibbles are served. Membership is £8.00 and guests are charged £5.00.

Our year's programme comprises :

Tue 6 <sup>th</sup> March	Talk by Imogen Corrigan on <b><i>Our Anglo Saxon Heritage</i></b>
Tue 24 <sup>th</sup> April	Talk by Canon Peter Brett on <b><i>The Mediaeval priest and his parish</i></b>
Sat 28 <sup>th</sup> April	Outing to Fishbourne and Chichester
Tue 26 <sup>th</sup> June	Talk by Pippa and Albert Evans on <b><i>Aphra Behn – the seventeenth century actress and playwright</i></b>
Sat 15 <sup>th</sup> – Sun 16 <sup>th</sup> Sep (views)	Weekend away - possibly Versailles and Fontainebleau please)
Tue 4 <sup>th</sup> December	Talk by Alan Stockwell on <b><i>The History of Pantomime</i></b>

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On Sunday 22 April at 7.30 pm there will be a performance of Haydn's Creation at All Saints Church, Ulcombe. It will be sung by the Sutton Valence Choral Society accompanied by the Beresford Symphonia.

Tickets, price £12 and £8 (half price for students and children) are obtainable from Molly Poulter on 01622 842988,

## Happy Birthday

The 1<sup>st</sup> birthday of Messy Church was celebrated at the 3 Kings party held in Lenham church last month. The next event will be held in Harrietsham school from 4 to 6pm on Saturday February 11<sup>th</sup>. Fathers and mother and children are invited to come along to explore together the theme of Creation. As usual the menu will include craft, a sit down tea and worship.

## **Christian Message February 2012**

It was a fascinating display, a wonderful collection of tools and machinery from years gone by. There were steam engines, ploughs, tractors, threshing machines, wagons, horse drawn carriages, and much, much more. It must have been a wonderful reminder to many who visited of times lived through. To younger visitors an insight into life in the past. For those who made the time to stop and look it was an interesting study of our history.

As I looked around I looked at the dates when all these had been used. The earliest vehicle was about a century old, so probably dating back just a couple of generations. It struck me how that history was not so long ago! Yet, what today are obsolete museum pieces would have been state-of-the-art technology in my great-grandparents time, the very treasured possession of some proud owner. I reflect on this as a stark reminder of the transience of life and the pace of change.

What an amazing contrast between that and the hope that the gospel brings us. Life in Christ isn't here today and gone tomorrow, it's a gift for all eternity! Everything else might change, but Christ will not. Generations may come and go, Christ remains the same. Unlike that collection, the promises of God will not tarnish, and the hope they can bring will never fade away.

The Kingdom of God, unlike this world, is built to last not just for our lifespan, but for all eternity.

**Reverend Millie Hart**

### **WOMEN'S WORLD DAY OF PRAYER**

Service prepared by the Christian Women of Malaysia.

FRIDAY, MARCH 2nd. 2012.

SERVICES at: St. Mary's Church, Lenham 10.30am

All Saints' Church, Ulcombe 7.00pm

On this day, Friday March 2nd 2012 over 3 million people worldwide will be praying and worshipping together during an annual day of prayer, using a service prepared by the Christian Women of Malaysia. This service is translated into just over 60 languages and 1,000 dialects for use worldwide. Just think of that!! What a fellowship of joy, faith and love. All this has grown from a simple service of prayer held in 1887. Why not make a note in YOUR diary as we would like YOU to join us on the FIRST FRIDAY in MARCH. In England, Wales and Northern Ireland there are over 5,000 Women's World Day of Prayer Services held involving thousands of women, men and children. Please come along to the service, learn about life in Malaysia, and enjoy some refreshment afterwards.

**Rosemary Davis**

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**Sunday/Main Services – February 2012**

**5<sup>th</sup> February – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday before Lent**

8am Lenham BCP Holy Communion  
8am Harrietsham BCP Holy Communion  
9.30am Harrietsham Family Praise  
9.30am Boughton Holy Communion  
11am Lenham Holy Communion  
11.15am Ulcombe Family Praise

**12<sup>th</sup> February – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday before Lent**

8am Lenham BCP Holy Communion  
9.30am Harrietsham Holy Communion  
11am Lenham Morning Worship  
11.15am Ulcombe Holy Communion  
6.30pm Boughton – Choral Evensong

**19<sup>th</sup> February – Sunday before Lent**

8am Lenham BCP Holy Communion  
9.30am Harrietsham Morning Worship  
9.30am Boughton Malherbe Holy Communion  
11am Lenham Holy Communion  
11.15am Ulcombe Morning Worship

**22<sup>nd</sup> February Ash Wednesday**

7.30pm Harrietsham Imposition of Ashes

**26<sup>th</sup> February – 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent**

8am Lenham BCP Holy Communion  
9.30am Harrietsham Holy Communion  
9.30am Boughton Malherbe Family Praise  
11am Lenham Family Praise  
11.15am Ulcombe Holy Communion  
6.30pm Harrietsham Informal Service

## Music Notes - February

Just a few local concerts to tell you about in February, but I must also mention that a very popular music entertainment will be **The Snow Queen**, the LADS pantomime on Feb 3<sup>rd</sup> (7.30pm) & 4<sup>th</sup> (2.30pm and 7.30pm) at the Leeds & Broomfield memorial hall. Tickets available at Leeds village hall on Sundays, 3-5pm, or at the door..

For Bach fans I would also draw your attention to the fourth year of the Bach Cantata concerts at the Royal Academy of Music in London. These highly acclaimed Sunday concerts are sponsored by The Kohn Foundation, allowing very reasonable prices. The series is working through Bach's Cantatas using period instruments and Academy musicians plus invited guest performers. Tickets and details 020 7873 7300. Beyond that, here is my selection for the month:

- Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February, 7.30pm at Mote Hall Maidstone, Maidstone Symphony Orchestra's concert includes Nielsen's *Violin Concerto* (soloist Ben Hancox) and Sibelius's *Symphony No.1*. Tickets 01622 735830.
- Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February, 8pm at Bradbourne House (ME19 6DZ), East Malling Research Station music club present, for general public availability, a concert by the Louise Jones trio, which includes works by Mendelssohn, Brahms and Halvorsen. Tickets at the door. Info (only) 01732 843129
- Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February, 3pm at Groves Hall, Sutton Valence School, Sutton Valence Music Society gave an interesting afternoon concert by "In Accord", a duo of violin and classical accordion. Tickets at the door include tea with home-made cakes!! Info (only) 01732 843129

**Brian Hardy**

Come and join us at the informal service  
at St John's Church, Harrietsham,  
at 6.30pm on Sunday 26th February,  
when we will be enjoying worship and praise together,  
and **Rev'd Jackie Cray from St Faith's Church in Maidstone**,  
will be preaching about the first of the Beatitudes:

Blessed are the poor in spirit: for theirs is the kingdom of heaven

## Answers to the Quiz and Missing Word Puzzle

	Word 1	Word 2	Word 3	Answer
1	Eye	Protection	Box	Whinney
2	Quantum	Frog	Year	Leap
3	Round	Turn	Lay	About
4	Soft	Stone	Type	Touch
5	Arithmetic	Health	Block	Mental
6	Curtain	Fire	Fund	Raiser
7	Short	Tall	Love	Story
8	Pine	Crab	Pie	Apple
9	Cast	Lung	Crippling	Iron
10	Treasure	Anthem	Critd	National
11	Birth	Bank	Flat	Rate
12	Physical	Bike	Book	Exercise
13	Tooth	Curry	Meat	Paste
14	Ring	Stamp	Plant	Rubber
15	Trouble	Prize	Blind	Spot
16	Weight	Waste	Work	Paper

	Find the missing word?
1	<b>Eternal Flame</b> , The only No 1 in 1988 for The Bangles
2	<b>The Observer</b> , Sunday version of the Guardian newspaper
3	<b>East Anglia</b> , Low lying region of England
4	<b>Sigmund Freud</b> , World famous founder of Psychoanalysis
5	<b>Sugar Loaf Mountain</b> , that towers over Rio de Janeiro
6	<b>The Duke</b> , Nickname of cowboy star John Wayne
7	<b>Artel Sharon</b> , Was the prime Minister of Israel between 2001 - 2006
8	<b>Holly Golightly</b> , Character played by Audrey Hepburn in Breakfast at Tiffany's
9	<b>Janie Bell</b> , Young screen talent who portrayed Billy Elliot
10	<b>Barbra Streisand</b> , New York singing sensation and actress in Hello Dolly



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