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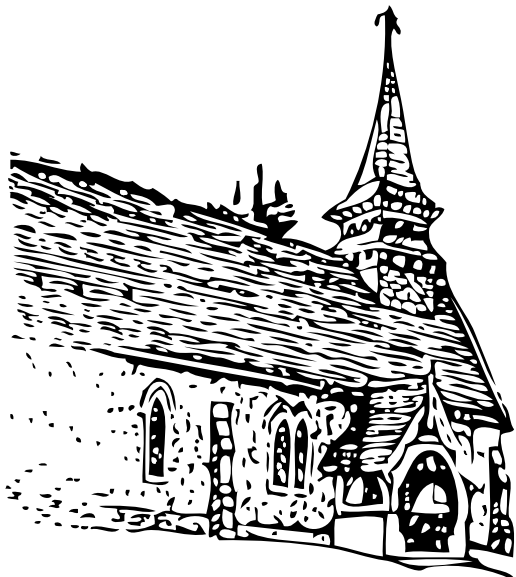
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Edition for the Parishes of Herriard with Winslade, Tunworth,
Upton Grey and Weston Patrick

Letter from the Local Churches' Leadership Team

At the moment we, the Odiham bell ringers, are engaged in raising money to renovate our bell ringing installation. One of the major items which has been identified as needing attention is the strengthening of the framework within which the bells revolve. When a bell frame is not as it should be the bells become increasingly difficult to handle and, unless the cause is remedied, they will eventually become unringable.

Thinking about that reminded me of the importance of a framework within which to operate. Most of us have more than one important framework in our lives. There is the framework of family, or of close friendships, of a life at work, or from being part of a local community. There is too the framework offered by our pastimes and hobbies, our membership of clubs and societies. For over fifty years bell-ringing has been an important part of the framework of my life as has being a member of the Church communities in the places where I've lived.

As a minister in this Benefice another important framework is the support provided by the ministry team and as we contemplate the departures, early next year, of Mary-Beth and Alison, we need to pray hard for them and for the future shape of the team. Our bell frame is made of timbers bolted together; in the benefice it is our hope that our twelve Churches will as time goes by become more firmly joined to one another so that we can the more effectively carry out our purpose of sharing God's love with our communities.

The greatest framework we are offered for our lives is our relationship with Jesus Christ and in that case I'll offer another analogy: sometimes the bell frame is firm and secure and it is the fittings which attach the bells to the frame which are amiss. In those cases bolts have become loose, the bearings are not being properly lubricated – they may even have grit in them etc, etc. We can find that for one reason or another our attachment to Christ, the frame, has become sloppy, we may find that the lubricant offered by prayer and bible are missing, we may find that we have let grit of sin into the works. It will be wonderful if at some time or another one or all of these things does not apply to us, and even more wonderful if we see what is wrong and get it sorted, so that like the bells in our towers we continue to proclaim the good news of Christ!

Alan Hoar, Benefice Licensed Lay Minister

FROM THE REGISTERS

Baptism

Elodie Todd and Monty Todd at St Mary's, Herriard, on 1st September

Funeral

Susan Trasenster at St Mary's, Upton Grey, on 27th August

Elizabeth Elliot-Square at St Mary's, Herriard, on 11th September

CHURCH NEWS

Upton Grey Adult Choir

The next practice will be on **Tuesday 1st October** at **8.00pm** and then we will sing at our Parish Communion service on **Sunday 6th October** at St Mary's Upton Grey.

Harvest Festival Services

Please do come and join us at our special Harvest Festival services – details below. All are warmly welcome and you are invited to bring gifts of food to be distributed after the service to local good causes.

October 6th

11.15am – Harvest Festival Service at Weston Patrick

October 13th

9.45 – Harvest Festival Service at Herriard

10.00 – Harvest Festival Service at Upton Grey

6.00 – Harvest Festival Evensong at Tunworth

Parish Harvest Meals

Upton Grey will host their Harvest Supper on Saturday 12th October at 7.30pm in the Village Hall.

Weston Patrick will host their Harvest lunch in the Village Hall on Sunday 6th October after the 11.15am service.

Tunworth will host their Harvest Supper on Friday 11th October at 7.30pm in the Shoot Lodge, Tunworth.

Herriard will host their Harvest Supper on Wednesday 16th October at 7.00 for 7.30pm in the British Legion hall.

Exploring Life – Faith – Meaning

This autumn the North Hampshire Downs group of churches is running three Alpha courses to discuss the Christian faith in an informal, fun and friendly environment. Each course is a series of eight interactive sessions, each session starting with coffee or soup or supper, followed by a short video and with time for questions. There is no pressure, no follow up and no charge.

The course at the southern end of the group runs twice a month on Thursday mornings and alternates between two venues: Upton Grey Vicarage on the first Thursday of the month 11.30am–12.30pm from Thursday 3rd October, and St Mary's Church Herriard on the third Thursday of the month 10.00–11.15am from Thursday 17th October (the Herriard sessions will incorporate Herriard's usual monthly informal communion service). For more information, and to help with catering, please email Fiona Ives fiona@herriard.demon.co.uk.

There are two further courses, both on Tuesday evenings 7.30–9.00pm – one in Odiham and the other in Mapledurwell. For information on these please email nhdboffice@gmail.com or call the church office on 01256 703791.

You will be really welcome at any of these courses – why not come along and see what you think?

Would you like to receive Communion at home?

For many centuries, taking Communion to the housebound has been a part of the traditional Anglican ministry. Across our 12 villages, we already take a number of home Communion services but we think there are probably more people who would like to receive Communion at home than we currently service. And so if you would like to receive Communion at home from one of our authorised ministers, we would love to hear from you so that we can make arrangements to visit.

It may be that you know of a neighbour or somebody else in the village who would like to receive home Communion. If so, please contact us on their behalf and we will be in touch. Please contact the office on nhdboffice@gmail.com or phone us on 01256 703791.

Sparks!

The next Sparks will be on **Sunday 13th October in Upton Grey Village Hall** – please drop off your children at the Village Hall from **9.50am** for a fun session of crafts, games and worship, then collect from the church at 11.00am. (The next Sparks after this will be on Sunday November 10th.)

NEWS FROM THE VILLAGES

Local police report

Dear residents

I am appealing for any information in relation to the following crimes in our area:

Criminal damage was reported to crops in a field in Bagmore Lane Herriard on the night of August 22rd/23rd. On the night of August 25th/26th (the Bank Holiday weekend) a barn was broken into at Winslade where garden tools etc were stolen. On the same night a similar crime occurred at a shed in Farleigh.

At about 9.15pm on Monday 16th September, a large road roller was stolen from a building site at Polecat Corner, Tunworth, and driven towards Old Basing on to a waiting vehicle. I ask if anyone was in that area about that time or just before and saw any vehicles parked nearby to please give me a call direct.

I am pleased to report that the person responsible for the broken windows at a house in Upton Grey has been apprehended and is going through the enforcement system. I wish to thank all those that assisted within this enquiry which allowed me to identify the man who is not from the village or employed directly by the Hoddington Estate.

I have also received reports of a suspicious car, possibly a dark mini, at 3.45am in Upton Grey on September 16th. If you have CCTV please check it for around that time and date to see if the occupants visited you.

If you can assist with any information regarding these incidents please give me a call direct and as always all calls are in strictest confidence.

As the evenings draw in please check your vehicle lights are all working correctly.

Many thanks as always

Andrew REID, Local Constable PC 3746, Tel: 01256 389050

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Autumn Walk & Lunch Monday 7th October 10.00am

The Shoot Lodge, Tunworth (by kind permission of John Jervoise)

In aid of Gene Therapy Appeal for Cystic Fibrosis

Calling all walkers!! Dogs and friends welcome too. Come and join us for an enjoyable morning in our beautiful Hampshire countryside and raise money for a most worthwhile cause at the same time. The circular walk (4 or 6 miles) is followed by a lunch of homemade soup and sandwiches, plus a glass of wine.

Meet at 10.00am at The Shoot Lodge, Tunworth, RG25 2NB (entrance will be clearly signed – 200 yards beyond Tunworth Church if coming from Upton Grey). Lunch will be served from 12.00noon. To ensure there is plenty of food for everyone, please apply for a place before the day. We look forward to seeing you! The suggested voluntary donation is £15.00 per person.

Please make cheques payable to ‘Imperial College (CF Gene Therapy)’ and send to Tessa Morrish, Fiveways Cottage, Humbly Grove, South Warnborough, Hants RG29 1RY (Tel 01256 862475, Email: tessamorrish@gmail.com).

News from Long Sutton School – Invitations

This month I would like to make two invitations to members of the community. Working with members of the Benefice Clergy and Pastoral teams, we have launched a weekly Community Worship in school. Every Thursday afternoon at 2.30pm (term time only) we would love to welcome members from the community into school to join us for a short service, mainly led by the children, including prayers, songs and a short talk. Please just come along if you would like to join us.

If you are a parent or carer of a child due to start school in September 2020, we would love to see you at one of our upcoming Open Events, where you can meet various members of the school community, listen to a presentation by our Headteacher and enjoy a tour of the school with some of our older children. We hope that these events will give prospective parents and carers the opportunity to discover what we value as a school and what makes us unique.

Our Open Events take place on Friday 4th October (9.00am), Thursday 10th October (7pm) and Wednesday 16th October (9.00am). Please contact the school office on 01256 862238 or adminoffice@longsutton.hants.sch.uk to book a place. If you are unable to attend on these dates, we would be happy to make an appointment for another time.

Hannah Inglis (Headteacher)

Spruce orders: Have a tremendous Christmas by supporting your local school

Our wonderful school Long Sutton Church of England Primary school will be taking orders for Christmas trees as of October 15th. Don't worry, they won't arrive until December but we'd be over the moon if you would consider buying your tree from us.

Importantly, they are supplied by a good quality, family run, local business who are members of the British Christmas Tree Growers

Association. They grow only top grade trees and will be supplying them to us at wholesale prices, which means we can offer them to you cheaper than you would be able to find in a garden centre, while also raising money for the school.

If you'd like to support the local school by purchasing through us, order forms will be out this October. For enquiries & orders, email: pta.long Sutton@gmail.com

UPTON GREY NEWS
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Upton Grey Village Hall 100 Club October Draw

First Prize £100 No 52 Mrs H Perry

Second Prize No 111 Mr P Naegeli

The 100 club draw is your village halls main fundraiser. Please support this valuable facility. Subs are £24 p.a. or £2 per month. Join in any time. Contact Brian Thrussell 01256 862819 or Caroline James 01256 862480

2020 Diary Date! Upton Grey Safari Supper Saturday 14th March.

Please put the date in your diary for a fun filled evening.

Upton Grey Drama Group – 15th & 16th November

Upton Grey Drama Group are pleased to announce their 2019 show on Friday 15th November at 7.30pm and Saturday 16th November at 7.30pm in Upton Grey Village Hall. They will be performing two plays:

The Notice by Anthony Booth – an interesting look at the 1950s through a one act play set in a vicarage sitting room. (This amateur production of *The Notice* is presented by special arrangement with Samuel French Ltd a Concord Theatricals Company).

A Mad Breakfast by I M Gray – a hilarious farce of trickery and misunderstanding, set in the breakfast room of a down-at-heel boarding house. (This amateur production of *A Mad Breakfast* is presented by special arrangement with Samuel French Ltd a Concord Theatricals Company).

Tickets will be £7.50 and will be on sale from early October – please email: UptonGreyDrama@gmail.com

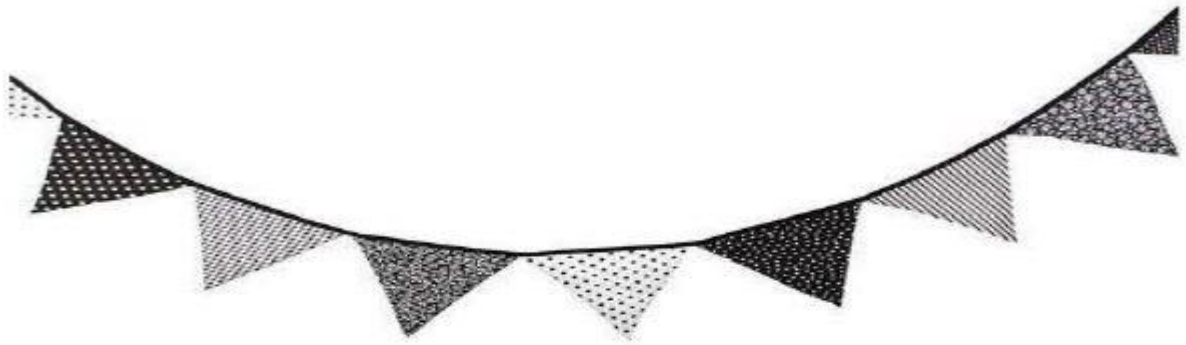


St Mary's Church
Upton Grey

THE NORTH HAMPSHIRE
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invites you all to its annual



Harvest Supper

Saturday October 12th at 7.30pm

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Cottage Pie and Apple Crumble

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from the Village Shop

or phone 861218 / 862681

Upton Grey Autumn Festival – Saturday 26th October

We are holding our annual Autumn Festival at the Hoddington Arms (the Hodd) again this year – a unique, family-oriented and highly entertaining celebration of Autumn.

As Halloween is close, the Hodd will be especially themed for Halloween again this year and, not only will we have our usual kids Halloween fancy dress competition, we will also have an Adults Halloween Fancy Dress competition in the afternoon.

Free parking in Church Meadow, RG25 2RA.

Starting at 2.00pm (prize giving is at 4.00pm) in the garden of the Hoddington Arms we have local produce to taste and buy, and our local Gin Distillery, Gorilla, will have a tasting stall. Other attractions include conkers, apple bobbing, snail races, pumpkin bowling, Halloween fancy dress and kids silent disco competitions, bouncy castle, guy fawkes, giant pumpkins, gourds, autumn paintings and handicrafts, raffle and more.

Newlyn's Farm Shop will be providing a fresh BBQ throughout the afternoon and the bar will be open for drinks. You can help add to the success of the afternoon by providing entries for the festival – for example carved pumpkins are easy.

At 6.00pm gather at The Hodd for mulled wine, church-bell-ringing, Jack O'Lantern procession to Hoddington Estate park, Guy Fawkes burning on the bonfire and professional firework display.

After the Fireworks we are changing the evening format. Pre-ordered drinks will again be available in the Hodd garden, but there'll be more casual seating in the heated marquee with 3 successive bands and then the Silent Disco until midnight. You can grab a burger or hot dog to keep you going from the Newlyn's BBQ.

Guy Fawkes in Upton Grey

Last year we had over three dozen Guy Fawkes on display around the village. You can see some of them on our website www.uptongreyautumnfestival.co.uk, if you click on Photo Album and then click on Guy Fawkes 2018 (or 2017, 2016, 2015, 2014 or 2013).

So start planning your Guy Fawkes designs now and let's see if we can beat last year's number. At the beginning of October straw will again be available from Newlyn's Farm Shop and Neil and Buzz Fawkes and other guests from Old Basing will be joining this year's entries.

It's great to see the Guy Fawkes spring up around the village but if you also want to enter the Autumn Festival competition on the 26th October then you need to enter a photo of your Guy (ideally A4) by 2.00pm on the day.

Autumn Festival gourd-painting – Saturday 19th October

Kids are invited to the Cabana, in the back garden of the Hoddington Arms at 2.30pm, on Saturday 19th October to paint ornamental gourds for the best-decorated gourds competition at the Autumn Festival. Free gourds and acrylic paints are provided, but bring your own if you like. Don't wear your best clothes! It would be helpful if you could telephone Roger on 01256 862776 if you intend to come.

Tea@3 October

We will be meeting at Maureen Deere's house, Hazeley, 1 Weston Close on Wednesday 30th October. Please let us know in good time if you would like to join us and as always, we can arrange a lift if you need one. We are extremely grateful to Mo for offering to host our tea this month as we know October is a very busy month for her – thanks Mo! Look forward to seeing you all. **Barbara 862627, Jill 862131, Viv 862455**

St Mary's Church Autumn Shoebox Appeal 2019

This year St Mary's will be supporting the LinktoHope charity Family and Elderly Christmas shoebox appeal. This is a small Christian charity based in the UK. The shoeboxes are distributed to Eastern Europe where there are many desperately poor families and elderly people living lonely isolated lives. Families often have to make a choice between buying food or fuel at Christmas time – presents are just not a priority. Many of these families do not have running water, heating or electricity. Some live in appalling conditions, in just one or two rooms and life for them is a real struggle to survive. A shoebox for a family means that everyone receives a gift. When you have nothing, something simple can make all the difference. LinktoHope suggest a strong adult size 8 shoebox and to start off with a CORE list of 6 essentials that should go into every shoebox – gloves/scarf or hat, sweets/chocolates, soap and flannel, toothbrush/toothpaste, candles and holders, small game. Then add a further 5 items from either the Family or the Elderly shoebox list, giving a minimum of 11 items per box. Make your shoebox a mixture of practical and 'nice to have' – items that will come in handy, or bring a smile to a child a lonely elderly person. Remember that items should always be new or unused. The website www.linktohope.co.uk/shoebox-appeal-2019 has more information.

Unlike other appeals, the shoeboxes are not opened before shipment but must have a list of items included taped to the top of the box, once wrapped. LinktoHope do not place any literature with the boxes and promise not to discriminate who the boxes are given to.

Last year we received over 80 shoeboxes, which were blessed in the church before their journey around the world. This year the boxes will be blessed at 'Shoebox' Sunday which will be on 20th October. Please be encouraged to fill a shoebox; if it gets a bit expensive then involve family and friends and make one up together. Every shoebox makes a difference, you can make a difference – please fill a shoebox.

If you do not have a shoebox or cannot get one let us know we may be able to help with that. Contact: vivanscombe@gmail.com or debbie@debbie-bridle.com

Upton Grey Village Shop – October Recipe

Here is a warming autumn risotto recipe with, as usual, all ingredients regularly available from the Upton Grey shop:

1 sweet potato, peeled and chopped into 2cm cubes

Olive oil for frying and roasting

1 onion chopped

1 garlic clove finely chopped

1 red pepper chopped (and/or a few mushrooms, ½ aubergine etc.)

1 veg stock cube

300g risotto rice e.g. Arborio

150ml double cream / Elmlea

½ teaspoon ground nutmeg

1 packet rocket leaves

75g (approx) parmesan cheese (for shavings)

Pine nuts (browned in a pan over a low heat)

Method

1) Place the sweet potato in a roasting dish, drizzle with olive oil, and roast in a hot oven for around 20 mins or until softened and lightly browned.

2) Dissolve the stock cube into a litre of boiling water

3) Meanwhile, fry the onion and garlic, in a deep pan for a few minutes, then add the pepper (plus any other veg) and gently fry all until soft.

4) Add the rice to the pan and stir into the fried veg. Then immediately add around ½ the stock. Stir well and allow to simmer on a low heat, stirring regularly. Continue to add stock as required until the rice is nearly soft. In the final stages of cooking, add cream instead of stock. Continue to cook until rice is completely plump and tender.

5) Season with nutmeg, salt and pepper to taste, and stir. Finally add the roasted sweet potato and a good handful of rocket and stir all together gently. Serve onto plates garnished with roasted pine nuts and parmesan shavings. Enjoy!

HERRIARD AND WINSLADE NEWS**www.herriard-pc.gov.uk****<https://www.facebook.com/herriardexservicesclub>****Join 'Herriard Village' group on <http://www.Facebook.com>****Events at Herriard RBL hall**

In October events include:

Yoga every Monday (during term time) from 12.00–1.00pm. Everyone is welcome from any of the villages; men and women of any age! So learn to reduce stress with yoga. Come and support this local class.

Herriard Harvest Supper on the 16th October. Tickets via Gemma Hounsell are £12.00 each. It promises to be a very entertaining evening with great food and the auction of produce.

December dates in advance:

Sunday 1st December from 12.00 to 4.00pm: Christmas Fayre. Stalls £6.00. Please contact Lucy at lfalconer59@gmail.com

Saturday 7th December, 6.30/7.00pm start: Christmas Bingo

Like & follow us on Facebook for all our upcoming events.

Herriard Ex-Services Club**Herriard and Lasham with Bentworth WI – September Report**

Our September Meeting was on 5th at RBL Hall. After the usual business we had a talk by Mr. N Stewart: Grizzly Bears in Alaska. He showed us many wonderful photos of scenery and bears. He went to a lake by small plane as there were no roads and every house had a small plane or sometimes even two!

The bears didn't notice people if they didn't interrupt their fishing for salmon, their main food. Bears have to put on as much weight as possible to see them through their hibernation in the winter. We saw pictures of many bears and cubs, the mothers watching out for male bears as they often kill the cubs

We then had tea and biscuits and thanks to our tea ladies.

Our next meeting, on 3rd October at 2.30pm, is a talk by Boni Mpario about the Massai in Kenya and Tanzania.

We would welcome new members. If you would like information please telephone either 01420 561599 or 01256 381354 **Helen Herring**

Herriard coffee mornings

We welcome back Herriard's monthly coffee mornings, running from 10.30–12.00noon, on the first Monday of the month at a village home. Please drop in for a drink and a chat at the following:

7th October: Jane Jervoise (381252) Grange Farmhouse, RG25 2QB

4th November: Laura and Michelle (381227) Lane End Farmhouse, Back Lane, RG252PS

2nd December: Sue Cheney (381225) Southrope Cottage, RG25 2PU.

No meet in January 2020

3rd February: Chris Davies (381333) Tile Barn, Nash Green, RG25 2PE

2nd March: Gemma (381354) Colden's Cottage, 3 Bagmore Lane, RG25 2PZ

Please come and support our event. Bring a friend (it's all free!) and if anyone would like transport to and from any of the above venues we have volunteer drivers, so please contact Michelle on 381227.

Herriard Gardening Club

The produce from our Club allotment has been amazing this year. We have grown early Rocket and Desiree potatoes, broad beans, peas, French beans, onions, chard, beetroot, lettuce and squash. The strawberry plot has now expanded to a 10ft x 8ft plot, and we had so many strawberries to pick that we could not keep up, so we made jam and spiced strawberry chutney. For the first time we have grown outdoor Honey Moon Cordon, Lizzano and Koralik cherry tomatoes which again yielded a bumper crop because of the weather and our hard work. We have all learned a lot with regards to vegetable growing since our Club started, as many of us had never attempted this form of gardening before.

Jobs for October

- Plant out Spring bulbs for next year's display.
- Collect dried flower seed heads and put in paper envelopes to sow next year.
- Cut back herbaceous perennial plants once they have died down (but leave half to shelter wildlife). Divide any overcrowded plants and share with friends or pot up for next year's fete.
- Prune climbing/rambling roses when flowering has finished, and tie in stems to prevent wind damage.
- Dig up dahlias and begonias about 2 weeks after the first frost has killed the top of the plant. Wash the soil off the tubers, let them air dry for about a day then wrap in paper and store in a cool, dry place. Check throughout the winter for withering or rotting. Alternatively leave in the ground and cover with a good mulch of netted straw to protect from frost. Happy gardening.

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Gill Hill**Lasham Gliding Society winter talks 2019**

We have arranged another really good season of Saturday evening events again this winter with something offered on most Saturday early evenings. Most events will be free of charge and, unless stated otherwise, you do not need to be a member at Lasham to attend. Non-members are also most welcome. Some dates and talks might change and some are not yet fully arranged but listed below is the current situation. Updated lists will be issued as the season progresses.

Saturday talks will usually commence at 6.00pm and will be held in the Brown Elephant briefing room at Lasham. Although most of the events are free of charge it is customary that a silver collection is made at the end of each talk for the Lasham Trust or other deserving cause of the speaker's choosing. Dinner will be available in the restaurant afterwards. Booking is advisable at thegoldenglider@outlook.com or 384910. The bar is also available to members and visitors at all times.

Lasham Gliding Society's address is Lasham Airfield, Avenue Road, Basingstoke, Hants, GU34 5SS. Tel: 384900. All events are subject to short notice change so if you are travelling a long way please check first to verify that it is still taking place.

Saturday 26th October: Lasham's traditional bonfire party. This event is for members and their friends and families only.

Saturday 2nd November: An update by Andrew Blundell on how he founded Vertigo covers and the business success story that it has become.

Saturday 9th November: A talk by Professor Ian MacAndrew on low speed aerodynamics at high altitude and their use in UAVs.

Saturday 16th November: Another visit by WW2 veteran Rusty Waughman who will also tell about his role in the Berlin Airlift.

Saturday 23rd November: (rescheduled from last season): A talk by Dave Latimer on the 'Glide Britain' promotional activities for our sport that took place across the nation over the last couple of years. This talk had to be cancelled last year because of snow.

Saturday 30th November, 4.00pm: Lasham Gliding Society Special General Meeting. This is a members only event.

Saturday 7th December: A talk by Tony Fendall entitled 'Kronfeld on gliding and soaring'.

Saturday 14th December: 1970s-themed Lasham Dining in night. Fancy dress optional. More details to follow.

Saturday 21st December: No Lasham event will be organised

Saturday 28th December: No Lasham event will be organised

Wednesday 1st January 2020: Traditional New Year's Day Charity 'Fun' Run/Walk/Stagger/Swagger around the peri track. Arranged by Marjorie Hobby. Meet at the clubhouse for an 11.00am start. Visitors welcome but a small charge will go to charity.

Saturday 4th January: We start off the new year evening talks with another talk by retired Detective Chief Superintendent Paul Stickler on historical murders in the 20th century and before. Paul's talk was very well-attended in previous years and this next episode will focus on the Kray Twins. More info on Paul's excellent website: www.historicalmurders.com.

Saturday 11th January: A talk by Neville Cullingford entitled 'Blue Skies - the story of the Royal Observer Corps from 1925 to 1945'.

Saturday 18th January: A talk by Frankie Webb on the life of the famous Farnborough Aerodynamicist, Tillie Shilling.

Saturday 25th January: A talk by Ben Flewett and Rachel Hine on their exploits among a group of people who rode small 'monkey bike' motorcycles across the Andes.

Saturday 1st February: To be confirmed, the juniors will hold an event on this evening.

Saturday 8th February: A talk by Colonel (Retd) Jonathan Welch CBE on Improvised Explosive Devices in Afghanistan 2009 to 2012.

Saturday 15th February: A talk by Air Chief Marshal (Retd) Sir Richard Johns on the Royal Air Force past and present from a personal perspective.

Saturday 22nd February: A talk by Allan Melmore on UK aviation fuel supply, its history in war and peace.

Saturday 29th February: BGA Conference this weekend. A Lasham event is planned for this date and will be notified in due course.

Saturday 7th March: 6:00am Lasham Gliding Society Annual General Meeting. This event will be for LGS members only.

Saturday 14th March: A talk by Artyom Liss entitled ‘The end of the Media? What's happened to Journalism, and can we fix It?’.

Saturday 21st March:—A talk by G Dale on bailing out and also about his recently published books.

Saturday 31st March: Clocks spring forward on this night. Subject to confirmation we will welcome Alan Meredith, Chief Pilot for the British Antarctic survey, for an update on flying in Antarctica. This is subject to Al’s Antarctic duties finishing in time for the talk.

Hosting team will be Nicki Marchant, Morag Saunders, Debbie Scholey, Chris Gibson, John Delafield and myself. We hope to see you at some of these events.

Mike Philpott

Bentworth School Open Day, Monday 14th October, 9.30am

Over the last year I have met quite a few parents who have yet to discover our small but enthusiastic hub of learning. So I write this to introduce St. Mary’s Bentworth to those that don’t know us! We are a Church of England voluntary-aided school, nestled in the small, rural Hampshire village of Bentworth. We serve a catchment area covering 5 local villages (Beech, Bentworth, Herriard, Lasham and Shalden) and also have children attending from the wider local area. We pride ourselves in providing an engaging and vibrant child-led curriculum in a secure, happy learning environment with caring Christian principles. These are embedded into school life and are built on the foundations of our Values: Love, Respect Belong, supported by our focus on Resilience. For those that don’t know us, our grounds are extensive and attractive, offering a range of quality play equipment and opportunities for outdoor learning. We also are pleased to be able to offer before and after school care which gives the children a safe, caring environment that provides a range of active, stimulating and restful activities.

We were exceptionally pleased with all our achievements last year; academic, sporting, creative and much more. These are celebrated through our Sharing and Achievement Assemblies which occur throughout the year. To give you a flavour of how much we have to be proud of, I would like to share a handful of these.

Our Year 6 children received their SATs (Standard Attainment Tests) results in July and I am delighted to announce the whole Year 6 group did amazingly well and our results are:

Subject (NB: 7.7%= 1 pupil)	St Mary's 2019	National 2018	Hampshire 2018
English reading	100%	75.1%	78.4%
English grammar, punctuation and spelling	100%	77.5%	78.7%
Mathematics	85%	75.4%	78%
Writing (Teacher assessment)	100%	78.2%	81.8%
Combined (Reading, Writing, Maths)	85%	64.2%	67.9%

As you can see this is exceptional attainment and the progress scores are equally impressive! Well done to all the children for their hard work, determination and resilience. We are so very proud of them!

Whilst this is the main data that is published, I would like to also praise the children in Year 2 for their KS1 SATs results, and our children in Year 1 for their phonics tests, please go to our website for full details of their achievements. Our data across the school from the end of Year R across the school is a testament to the children's resilience, the dedication of the school staff and the constant support at home. The school ended the year on a real high!

I would like to add that whilst we do celebrate achievements in formal tests like the statutory assessments, this does not measure all that our children achieve. We have had several highlights to the year, too numerous to mention them all, but the following should give you some idea.

As mentioned previously, our child-led curriculum is key to creating a stimulating learning environment. For those that are not sure what this looks like, our children are able to choose areas in which they are interested as the starting point for our learning, for example expressed an interest in animals so we explored the conservation of animals and visited Marwell Zoo.

Our Musical Journey created and orchestrated by our Year 6 Arlo Freer which he devised so that musical talent would be encouraged and thrive at St Mary's. Building on his success at the National Rotary writing competition, he wrote all about this in the Alton Herald in August. All our students are encouraged to take part in local creative competitions and events to foster engagement with the wider community and see learning and achievement as a lifelong process. So you will see us at events such as the Bentworth Fete, the Williams Syndrome charity event at Anstey Park and many more. This is in addition to the many in-school events which we have, such as 'St Mary's got Talent', which this year included a Talent Table for non-performance skills such as painting

and baking; our Art and Science morning in which we were able to use our extensive grounds to inspire learning, such as pond dipping and plant identifying.

At St Mary's we celebrate the whole child and all they have to offer. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the amazing team who dedicate themselves to providing daily chances to shine, to each and every child. If you would like to see this celebration in action, phone 01420 562117 or email us at adminoffice@bentworth.hants.sch.uk – we would love to meet you. In the meantime please visit our website for more information (bentworth.hants.sch.uk).

TUNWORTH NEWS

Harvest Festival

There will be a collection of produce for the Camrose Centre in Basingstoke. The Camrose Centre provides short-term relief in the form of food, shelter and washing facilities for the homeless and vulnerably housed people in Basingstoke. Donations of non-perishable food (e.g. tins with ring pulls which contain soup, beans & sausages, meat, fish, pot noodles, fruit, cereal bars, high energy drinks, bottle of water) would be most welcome and will be collected at the Harvest Festival Service on Sunday 13th October at 6.00pm.

Tunworth event

Come and join us for 'A Diverse Tale' in All Saints' Church, Tunworth on Saturday 19th October at 7.00pm: an illustrated talk about the bomb-disposal reminiscences of a retired Royal Naval mine-clearance and professional deep-sea diver. It's a tale of two halves: First naval diving, fairly rigid and safe; then commercial deep-sea diving, more flexible, but inherently more dangerous. Life 'under' the ocean's waves!

Tickets £15.00 – available from Arn at arn@huddle1.plus.com and edwina.spicer@gmail.com (471271). Light Refreshments included.

OTHER NEWS AND EVENTS

South Warnborough Ridley Hall Film Night – Wed 16th October

Doors and bar open at 7.00pm. Tea, coffee and ice-creams also on sale. Film starts at 7.30pm. Tickets: £5.00 in Village Shop / on door. October's film is *Colette* starring Keira Knightley and Dominic West.

Dr Tony Weaver Retirement Party – Saturday 5th October

Dr Tony Weaver is retiring as the senior partner of Odiham and Old Basing Health Centre. He joined the surgery in Odiham 40 years ago and has been fundamental in building both the Odiham and Old Basing surgeries to what they are today.

We are organising a retirement party for him and would love patients and staff, past and present to join us – it is very informal and all are welcome to drop in for a glass of fizz and some cake on the afternoon of Saturday 5th October from 2.00pm until 4.00pm at the Odiham Health Centre.

Shakespeare in Alton

Alton Fringe Theatre is in rehearsal for their latest production: William Shakespeare's *Macbeth*.

Performance Dates: 27th, 28th & 29th November at 7.30pm.

Venue: Wessex Arts Theatre, Alton College GU34 2LX

Tickets at £12.00 available online now at www.ticketsource.co.uk/alton-fringe-theatre.

Macbeth is Shakespeare's most gripping tale of the lust for power and the over-whelming drive to murder, not only a King, but others who threaten personal ambition. But does the acquisition of kingship bring about a celebration of success or the agony of a tortured soul?

What drives someone to invite, or allow, powers of darkness into their soul, in order to secure their destiny? And conversely, how would you react when your hero turns tyrant? Watch as a kingdom is broken and at war with itself. Sit in suspense and see how Shakespeare weaves hope and lust, witches and spells, evil and good into a mesmerising theatrical performance.

AFT's second production in this their 30th anniversary year, the strong cast is sure to deliver on the company's deserved reputation for high quality theatre.

North Warnborough and District Garden Club

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday 24th October in North Warnborough Village Hall at 2.00pm for a 2.30pm start. Our talk will be given by Andy Small who will speak about 'Flower & Nature Photography'.

The competitions will be:

1. Three stems of mixed chrysanthemums.
2. A display of autumn tints with seedheads.
3. Three dessert apples.

Visitors are very welcome to join us. We are a friendly Club whose members share an enthusiasm for gardens and gardening. For further information, please telephone 01252 843848

Basingstoke Variety Show 2019

This year's Basingstoke Variety Show, at The Anvil on Saturday 5th October at 7.30pm, promises a diverse range of acts – from Indian dance and ballet to a drum corps, a Samba band and dancing dogs!

The best of the borough's singers, dancers and musicians will entertain and proceeds from the show will help boost the Mayor's charity appeal supporting HeartSmart, Real Change not Loose Change and Besom in Basingstoke.

The Mayor's daughter, Pippa Taylor, executive producer of Radio X's Chris Moyles Show, and her partner, radio presenter Toby Tarrant, will comper.

Local acts taking to the stage include the Basing Singers, Footsteps Dance School, Live2Dance, Stagecoach Basingstoke, BATS, Kala the Arts, Marina School of Dance, Tadley Community Primary School Samba Band, Old Basing Drum Corps and many solo acts. School singing groups taking part include Oakley C of E Junior School, Silchester CE Primary School, Chalk Ridge Primary School, Kings Furlong Junior School and Burnham Copse Primary School.

Tickets are available via The Anvil Box Office: Adults £18.00; Senior Citizens £12.00, under 16s £12.00 (all prices include £2.50 booking fee and souvenir programme on the night). Book online The Anvil box office, Tel: 844244. Your valuable support is much appreciated.

The National Garden Scheme in Hampshire

(pat.beagley@ngs.org.uk)

A total of £3 million was donated to charity in 2019 by the National Garden Scheme. The scheme donates to a range of charities throughout 2019 some of which are given below. These are in addition to our longstanding charities. Details of all our charities can be viewed at <https://www.ngs.org.uk/beneficiaries>

Treloar's School & College for Disabled Young People

Founded in 1907 by the Lord Mayor of London, Treloar's is a non-maintained special school for 2 to 16 year-old students from all over the UK and overseas. The aim is that every student leaves having achieved at least one nationally recognised qualification. OFSTED report Jan 2018: "The school is an inspiring setting in which pupils are constructively supported to overcome barriers to learning, including physical disability". The National Garden Scheme provided £85 thousand funding for Treloar's to provide an outdoor learning area. This will help Treloar's cope with the increasing complexity of the students' needs. www.treloar.org.uk for more information

MIND The Mental Health Charity.

Founded in 1946, MIND offers information and advice to people with mental health problems and lobbies government and local authorities on their behalf. The types of Mental Health problems are vast - from Anger and Anxiety to Stress and Suicidal feelings. To see more of the support MIND can give click on the link www.mind.org.uk

KIDS: Giving Disabled Children a Brighter Future

Supporting Disabled Children and their Parents, KIDS is a Nationwide organisation dedicated to providing an extensive range of services to children and young people, aged 0 to 25 years, irrespective of their impairment or condition. To see more of the amazing work this charity does click on the link www.kids.org.uk

We now wait to see what we manage to raise in 2020, with the help of all our garden visitors, garden-owners and our army of volunteers. If you would like to hear more about the NGS, we do give talks to groups, so if you are a member of a gardening group or WI etc., this could be just the thing for you.

Donations needed!

Winchester Churches Nightshelter has been supporting people experiencing homelessness for over 30 years. Each year over 100 residents are accommodated and supported towards finding a longer term solution.

We would very much welcome donations of the following to enable the Nightshelter to provide a breakfast and a hot cooked evening meal every day of the year. The donations also enable residents at the Nightshelter to undertake their personal laundry and for the accommodation to be cleaned.

<i>Non-perishable food</i>	<i>Housekeeping</i>	<i>Toiletries</i>
Sugar	Toilet rolls	Deodorant (esp. men's)
Coffee	Toilet cleaner	Anti-bacterial wipes
Tinned Vegetables	Kitchen roll	Shaving foam
Squash and soft drinks	Strong black bin liners	Disposable razors
Tinned custard	Washing up liquid	Liquid soap
Cereal (but not porridge)	Washing powder	Shower gel
Gravy granules/stock	Spray cleaner	Shampoo
Marmite	Spray sanitiser	
Biscuits	J-cloths or similar	
	Aluminium Foil	
	Cling film	

Donations can be collected from your school or delivered to the Nightshelter. If you are able to deliver any donations, please contact the Nightshelter beforehand so that staff can be ready to assist. The website, www.wcns.org.uk, has more information that you might find helpful.

The Dummer Fair

Wednesday 9th and Thursday 10th October at Dummer Cricket Centre. It's back, better than ever, held in aid of Treloar's, and kindly sponsored by Savills. The preview evening on 9th will start at 5.30pm and run until 9.00pm, and guests will receive complimentary wine upon arrival. The Fair will then be open from 9.30–3.30pm on the Thursday, with the café open for light lunches and coffees. There are 95 stalls confirmed, with 46 of them new to the Fair this year. A full list of all the confirmed stalls is available on our website (www.dummerfair.org.uk). This year guests will now be able to purchase tickets to The Dummer Fair 2019 online and take advantage of our early-bird pricing.

Local Artists Gallery Evenings

LivingStones Christian Centre, 277 Fleet Road, Fleet, GU51 3BT

LivingStones will be hosting Gallery Evenings on Friday 4th October and Friday 18th October, 6.30pm–8.30pm. Come and view the beautiful artwork on display and meet the artists who produced it. Refreshments will be served and the shop will be open for you to make any purchase. We look forward to welcoming you to these evenings.

If you can't make any of the evenings, why not pop in during our opening hours and take a look. For more information contact Pippa or Sue on 01252 616038.

Alton Abbey Talks

Jane Hurst, our local historian, will be giving a talk about the **History of Lord Mayor Treloar Hospital**, on Thursday November 7th at 2.30pm in The Abbey Church. The talk will be followed by Tea and Cake. Tickets £10

The 17th Annual Abbey Lecture will be given on Friday 11th October 7.00pm. The subject is **Freeing the incarcerated from prisons of their own making** chosen by our Lecturer Canon Alan Hodgetts OSB Obl. Alan will help us explore why we do what we do and how the Enneagram (model of human psyche) can inspire transformation through Self Awareness, Self-Regulation and Self Compassion for all of us on both sides of the bars. The Enneagram comes into its own when the 'Pain of Change' becomes less than the 'Pain of Remaining the Same'.

Canon Alan Hodgetts became a Prison Chaplain in 2006 and is currently the Managing Chaplain of HMP Woodhill. The Lecture will be followed by supper with wine in the Refectory. Tickets £30.

Tickets for both talks are available from: 'Tickets', Friends of Alton Abbey, Alton Abbey, Abbey Road, Alton, GU34 4AP. Cheques should be made payable to 'Friends of Alton Abbey'. Please include a SAE for your tickets, and a telephone number, or an email address

Save the date – Cardiac Rehab Lecture

The Cardiac Rehab Annual Lecture is on Tuesday 26th November at The Alton Maltings. Television Presenter and Journalist, Phil Spencer, is best known as co-presenter of the property show 'Location, Location, Location'. He will be speaking about 'Property & Television' and will be book-signing before his talk.

Tickets (£25.00 to include wine and canapés) will be on sale from 1st October, from the Cardiac Rehab Centre behind Alton Sports Centre. Tel. 01420 544794 Email denise@cardiac-rehab.co.uk

North Hampshire Downs Mothers' Union

Summer is a busy time for Mothers' Union! We had our usual stall at RAF Families Day on 25th July on one of the hottest days of the year. A big thank you to everyone who helped on the stall, or baked cakes for us to provide to the service personnel and their families. The RAF really appreciate this outreach, and our stall is popular.

In August we celebrated the birthday of our founder, Mary Sumner on 9th August, then we had our annual 'Away From It All' holiday for families in need from 10th to 17th August. Sadly this holiday did not enjoy good weather this year, but it still provided much-needed relaxation for a number of families in difficult circumstances who would not otherwise be able to have a holiday. The Mothers' Union team worked hard to support the families and provide activities for them throughout the week.

We have two events in October. On Wednesday 16th October, we hope to join the branch at St Gabriel's in Popley for an Overseas Service at 10.30am. The previous day (Tuesday 15th October), we have our usual branch meeting in the Bell Tower in All Saints Church, Odiham, at 7.30pm. Since this falls in Prisons week, we plan to learn more about the work with prisoners and their families. Non-members are welcome to come and join us. If you want to find out more about us, please contact our Branch Leader, Sue Murphy on 01252 845011.

HALLS FOR HIRE

Upton Grey Village Hall For hire from £7.00 per hour. Functions, meetings, parties, private and commercial. Full kitchen facilities, central heating and sound system, chairs, tables, crockery and cutlery available. Contact Elaine Lewington on 01256 862894.

The Royal British Legion Hall, Herriard Available for hire: wedding receptions, functions, parties, meetings, and events. Fully licensed bar, full kitchen facilities, garden, tables and chairs, sound system, disabled access, central heating, pool table and darts. Key holder 01256 381403 or email hall bookings to herriardrbllhall@gmail.com.

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CHURCH SERVICES (please also see the weekday services under “Regular Events”)**6th October – The 16th Sunday after Trinity**

Holy Communion (1662 said)	9.00am	Tunworth
Family Service (sung)	9.45am	Herriard
Family Communion (sung)	10.00am	Upton Grey
Harvest Festival Service (sung)	11.15am	Weston Patrick

13th October – The 17th Sunday after Trinity

Harvest Festival Service (sung)	9.45am	Herriard
Harvest Festival Service (sung)	10.00am	Upton Grey
Harvest Festival Evensong (sung)	6.00pm	Tunworth

20th October – The 18th Sunday after Trinity

Holy Communion (1662 said)	8.00am	Upton Grey
Parish Communion (CW sung)	9.00am	Tunworth
Family Communion (sung)	9.45am	Herriard
Family Service (sung)	10.00am	Upton Grey

27th October - The last Sunday after Trinity

Family Service (sung)	9.00am	Tunworth
Matins (sung)	9.45am	Herriard
Morning Service (sung)	10.00am	Upton Grey
Benefice Light Service	4.30pm	Upton Grey
Evensong (sung)	5.00pm	Weston Patrick

3th November – The 4th Sunday before Advent / All Saints Sunday

Holy Communion Patronal (1662 sung)	9.00am	Tunworth
Family Service (sung)	9.45am	Herriard
Family Communion (sung)	10.00am	Upton Grey

10th November – Remembrance Sunday

Parish Communion (CW) / Remembrance	10.00am	Upton Grey
Remembrance Service	10.45am	Herriard
Evensong (sung)	5.00pm	Tunworth

17th November – The 2nd Sunday before Advent

Holy Communion (1662 said)	8.00am	Upton Grey
Parish Communion (CW sung)	9.00am	Tunworth
Family Communion (sung)	9.45am	Herriard
Family Service (sung)	10.00am	Upton Grey

24th November - The Sunday next before Advent / Christ the King

Family Service (sung)	9.00am	Tunworth
Matins (sung)	9.45am	Herriard
Morning Service (sung)	10.00am	Upton Grey
Tea Time Service	4.30pm	Upton Grey
Evensong (sung)	5.00pm	Weston Patrick

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY – October 2019

This Month

1st Oct	Tues	Adult choir, St Mary's, Upton Grey	8.00pm
4th Oct	Fri	Long Sutton School open morning	9.00am
4th Oct	Fri	Local Artists Gallery eve, LivingStones Christian Centre, Fleet	6.30pm
5th Oct	Sat	Dr Tony Weaver Retirement Party, Odiham Health Centre	2.00pm
5th Oct	Sat	Basingstoke Variety Show 2019, Anvil, Basingstoke	7.30pm
6th Oct	Sun	Weston Patrick Harvest Lunch, WP Village Hall	c.12noon
7th Oct	Mon	CF Autumn Walk/Lunch, Shoot Lodge, Tunworth	10.00am
9th Oct	Wed	Dummer Fair preview evening, Dummer Cricket Centre	5.30pm
10th Oct	Thur	Dummer Fair, Dummer Cricket Centre	9.00am
10th Oct	Thur	Long Sutton School open evening	7.00pm
11th Oct	Fri	17th Annual Alton Abbey Lecture GU34 4AP	7.00pm
11th Oct	Fri	Tunworth Harvest Supper, Shoot Lodge, Tunworth	7.30pm
12th Oct	Sat	Upton Grey Harvest Supper, UG Village Hall	7.30pm
13th Oct	Sun	Sparks! UG Village Hall	9.50am
14th Oct	Mon	Bentworth School open day	9.30am
16th Oct	Wed	Long Sutton School open morning	9.00am
16th Oct	Wed	Herriard Harvest Supper, RBL Hall, Herriard	7.00pm
16th Oct	Wed	South Warnborough film night, <i>Colette</i> , SW Village Hall	7.00pm
18th Oct	Fri	Local Artists Gallery eve, LivingStones Christian Centre, Fleet	6.30pm
19th Oct	Sat	Children's gourd-painting, Hoddington Arms garden	2.30pm
19th Oct	Sat	A Diverse Tale, All Saints' Church, Tunworth	7.00pm
20th Oct	Sun	Shoebox Sunday service, St Mary's, Upton Grey	10.00am
26th Oct	Sat	Uptongreyautumnfestival.co.uk	
24th Oct	Thur	NorthWarnborough Garden Club, NW Village Hall	2.00pm
30th Oct	Wed	Tea@3, 1 Weston Close, Upton Grey	3.00pm

Advance Dates

15th/16th Nov		Upton Grey Drama Group Productions, UG Village Hall	7.30pm
7th Nov	Thur	Talk on history of Treloar hospital, Alton Abbey Church	2.30pm
27th–29th Nov		<i>Macbeth</i> , Wessex Arts Theatre, Alton College	7.30pm
1st Dec	Sun	Christmas Fayre, RBL Hall, Herriard	12.00noon
1st Dec	Sun	Herriard Advent Service and Christmas Poetry	6.00pm
7th Dec	Sat	Christmas Bingo, RBL Hall, Herriard	6.30pm
10th Dec	Tues	CF Carol Concert	7.00pm
14th Mar	Sat	2020 Upton Grey Safari Supper	

Regular Events

Each Mon		Yoga, RBLH, Herriard	12.00noon
Each Mon		Prayer Group, 4 Little Hoddington	9.45am
Each Tue		Croquet, Herriard Green	6.00pm
Each Wed		Upton Grey Toddler Group	10.00am
Each Wed		Dementia Support plus carers, Sunflower Café, Odiham	2.00pm
1st Mon		Herriard Coffee morning, various homes	10.30am
1st Thu		Herriard WI	2.30pm
1st Thu		Tunworth Coffee morning, Tunworth Church,	10.30am
2nd Sun		Sparks Sunday Club, Village Hall, Upton Grey	9.50am
2nd & 4th	Mon	Upton Grey Bridge Club at The Hodd (Not in summer)	7.30pm
3rd Wed		Film Night Ridley Hall South Warnborough	7.00pm
3rd Thu		Holy Communion, Herriard Church (incorporating Alpha course)	10.00am
4th Thu		Coffee Morning, Weston Patrick Village Hall	10.30am

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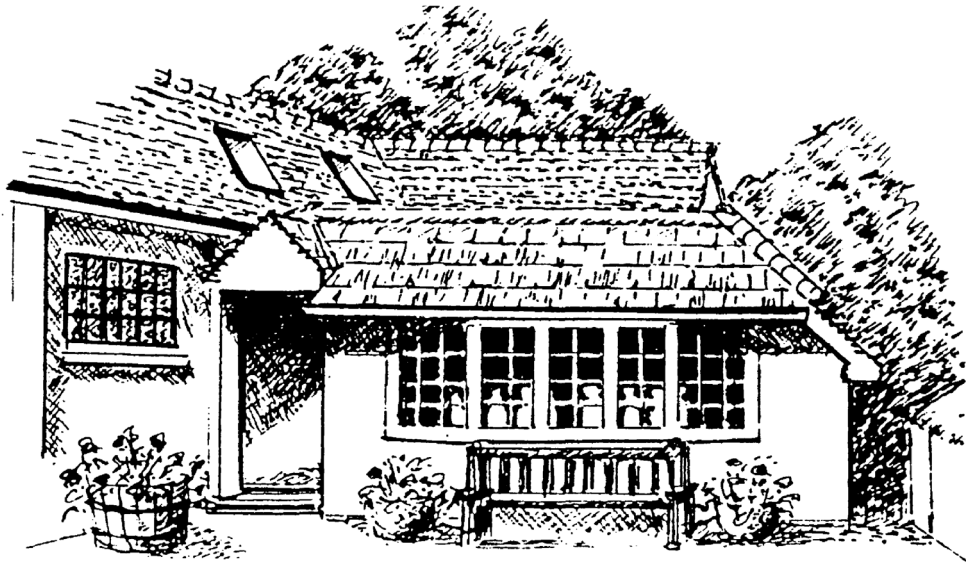
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