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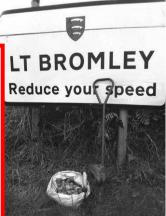
BULB PLANTING 20th October around LITTLE BROMLEY

About a dozen volunteers from the Amenities Group met in the Car Park on Saturday morning and between us we planted 1000 daffodil bulbs around the verges in the Village.

We intend taking pictures in the spring to mark where the bulbs are and repeating the exercise next autumn. The morning finished up with Dawn's excellent refreshments back at The Haywain.

The Amenities Group also provided 250 miniature daffodil bulbs for the Friends of Little Bromley Church to plant around the Churchyard.

The Bromley Messenger wishes all our readers a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year



THE FIRST PAGE

2012 is drawing to a close and I take this opportunity to thank all our contributors, regular and irregular, and to extend special thanks for the continued hard work put in by Ann and her team of distributors, Richard, the treasurer, and Nat, who proofreads, without any of whom the Messenger would never reach your doors.

A lot is going on this month as you will see from the events diary in the middle pages. There are Christmas favres, bazaars, concerts, plays and carol services during the weeks leading up to Christmas to keep you all busy - and spending! - which are also occasions to catch up with those friends and neighbours you have not seen recently. Do support the village activities. Quite apart from the fact that they usually also fundraise for their particular group. being part of them is fun. This issue of the Messenger also takes you in to January when we keep warm beside the fire thinking of the warmer days to come (we hope after last summer!!) and looking forward to seeing the flowers that will come up along the verges of Little Bromley and also Little Bromley church after all the bulbs that have been planted this autumn.

I write this looking through the window at the garden contemplating a peaceful, windless day

with the light shining through the golden leaves that still remain on the trees. The birds are twittering, busy feeding and keeping warm after the overnight ground frost. A time to be out walking and kicking up the fallen leaves as you go whilst enjoying the sun. A moment to reflect before the everyday hustle and bustle of this time of year takes over. However, the manic chaos the retail businesses try to instil in us should not make us forget the long ago event, the reason behind this seasonal holiday which, as now, was at a time when the world was full of unrest and fear. I hope that you will all be able to celebrate the occasion and holiday amid family and/or friends over a simple meal with thoughts for all who are separated from their loved ones.

I, and Katisha, my editorial assistant, wish you all a happy and healthy Christmas and New Year.

Leonie

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A Christmas Service For all the Family

'Come dressed as a character from the Nativity' Please join us for our...

Christmas Eve Crib Service

On Monday 24 December at <u>St Mary's Church</u>, Ardleigh at **4.00pm** or

<u>St George's church</u>, Great Bromley at **5.30pm**

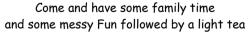


Donations of £1.00 per child (Accompanying adults free) Proceeds to the Children's Society



Messy

Christingle!







3.00 - 5.30pm At Great Bromley Village Hall



All Welcome!

For more information please contact: Carol Cordwell: 01206 395103





LITTLE BROMLEY AMENITIES GROUP

The Little Bromley Amenities Committee has changed!

We have formed the Little Bromley Amenities Group - the Amenities Committee manages the finances and running of the Group. Everyone is invited to become a member of the Amenities Group and get involved in planning what events they would like to see happening in the Village. You will receive emails and updates about the forthcoming events - so email us on amenitiesgroup@gmail.com to register as a member or ask us questions.

As we now have our funds back, we plan on holding our Fireworks night in 2013 - dates will be published here and on our website page:

http://www.littlebromley.org.uk/amenities committee.php

Our next event is a Christmas Quiz on 1st December (at the Haywain) - so grab a table by phoning 01206 390004 or emailing us.

We look forward to welcoming new members at our next meeting on 15th January to be held at The Haywain in Little Bromley at 7 pm - join the Amenities Group and come along with your ideas of what you would like to see happening in our Village.

Hope to see you soon

Chairman. Amenities Committee

AMENITIES GROUP HALLOWEEN PARTY 26th October

Halloween came early in Little Bromley this year with the Amenity Group's first Halloween Party. The evening kicked off at 6.30pm when 20 little ghouls and witches walked into the venue at The Haywain accompanied by their parents for a few hours of tricks and treats and lots of fun and games. The evening finished with a disco for the children (and some of the adults!!).

The evening was a great success and something that the Amenities Group will definitely be repeating. Thanks to everyone who helped decorate the venue, it looked amazing and so did everyone who dressed up for the occasion.



Photos courtesy of Brian Conner



VILLAGE HALL TRUSTEES

Great News! We have been looking to improve the ladies

and gents toilets in the Hall for quite some time but there has never been enough money in the kitty. This has now changed as we have been successful in obtaining a large grant to do just that. Well done Fred who found out who to apply to, filled in the forms and got the result.

Martin Frostick and Mike Corduff have been busy working on the outside areas and have started the route to getting the oil tank security sorted. It is likely that we had some more oil taken from the tank by forcing the top lid this time. Luckily as we keep the levels low we still have some for the early season chill. Thank you, Martin and Mike, and we look forward to this project being completed.

The Christmas Fayre is already booked for Saturday December 1st. Filipe Farne is the organiser for this event so if you are able to help please make contact. This year it's the Hall and the W.I who are organising and there will be, along with a visit from Santa, Christmas decorations, live music, food, tombola, cakes, jewellery, crafts, knitwear, stocking fillers, plant stall, car racing, book stall and a Christmas Hamper Raffle to be won on the day. Raffle tickets for the main raffle will be for sale from October 24th. Bring along your children to get the Christmas season started.

Next year the social side looks a bit like this:

19th January - Quiz Night. Book your place with Jane Bates on 01206 230529. End of February -Table Top Sale Mid March - Race night May - Whist Drive and still be looked at are Film nights, visiting Plays and a Murder Mystery night.

The safe, the padlocks, the microphone and the rear cigarette bin have all been

replaced this month. The correct end has been fitted to the microphone now too. New keys have been cut to replace the keys that were stolen at our break in.

That's all for now. As always thank you for your support. Let's all make the most of Great Bromley Village Hall in 2012 and let's start to look forward to 2013.

Next Committee meeting: Tuesday 8th January at **8:00pm**. As always all welcome

David Beech

Village Hall 100 Club

Following the advertisements in the Messenger, I now have 25 people who would like to join the village hall 100 club. Obviously this is not a viable number of people to run this lottery, but thank you to all those who contacted me. However, I have decided to make a last ditch attempt to launch the 100 club, and will therefore be at the Christmas Fete at the village hall on 1st Dec. by the plant stall, for those who would like to enrol. I will require a short form to be completed (so I know where to send the winnings!) and I would be grateful for the first year's subscription of £12 to be paid at the time. Obviously, if there are still insufficient takers, any money collected will be returned.

Please do join up, -it's a small amount of money to help keep our village hall going, and you might win a prize!

1st prize £20

2nd prize £10

3rd prize £5.

If enough people join, it is anticipated the first draw will be 1st Jan 2013.

Kate Strowbridge, Weeping Ash, Ardleigh Road, Great Bromley, Colchester, CO7 7TL

Tel: 01206 230211 Mob: 07928771621



Happy 90th birthday

to Bridget Condron. Living in the middle of rural Ireland 'Bid' is an avid reader of the Messenger every month. This following her numerous visits to Great Bromley staying with her daughter Valerie Skinner and son-in-law Neil. Seen here proudly holding her World War II Medal recently awarded for her service in The Royal Engineers.

KITCHEN CORNER

When my children were young and watched Blue Peter, recipes were sometimes shown and this was a good one and fun to make.

Blue Peter Brownies

½ cup butter

- 2 cups brown sugar
- 2 small eggs
- 1 cup SR flour
- 6 tablespoons cocoa
- 1 tsp vanilla
- ½ cup salted peanuts (optional)

Cream butter and sugar, beat in eggs, flour, cocoa and flavouring. Spread in a greased square tin and bake in a hot oven about half an hour.

Cut in squares when cooled. Happy baking!!

Jill Frostick



TO HIRE THE VILLAGE HALL FOR YOUR NEXT EVENT

HIRE THE HALL - £16 PH
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HIRE THE COMMITTEE ROOM - £5.50PH
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MORE DETAILS ON THE WEBSITE: WWW.GREATBROMLEY.ORG.UK

GREAT BROMLEY PARISH COUNCIL

www.gbpc.org.uk

The parish council has recruited a new clerk, Laura Austin, who lives locally with her husband and two young children. We are pleased to welcome her to the council as our clerk.

I am pleased to introduce myself as the new Parish Clerk for Great Bromley with effect from November. I look forward to meeting you all and assisting you with any Parish queries or concerns that you have. I can be contacted via email at clerk@gbpc.org.uk or telephone on 01206 231056. Our web site is still up and running, and we can be followed via twitter as well.

Of particular note is that at the time of writing several Parish Councillors are being trained to operate mobile safety cameras in the village following concerns raised regards excessive speed. Essex Police are kindly assisting with this and we are looking for volunteers to help. Please contact me if you are able. It is hoped that word will spread with regards to this "Speedwatch" programme which will dramatically reduce the risk of casualties and accidents in the village.

On the topic of road safety, there is now a procedure in place whereby we can report faulty or dirty road signs. If you know of any, please let one of us know.

The Tendring Local Plan is available via the GBPC web site - http://www.gbpc.org.uk - This includes mention of Horsley Cross for industrial development.

Lastly, I have received a request from County Hall regarding the existence of

any heritage plaques in the village - connected to important events, people etc with a view to publication in future. If you know of any, do get in touch. Any publication of our village can only be a good thing.

Our Parish Council meetings will now take place on the second Wednesday of every month from December, at 7.30pm in Great Bromley Village Hall. Your attendance is very much welcomed.

On behalf of the Council we wish you a Merry Christmas and a Prosperous New Year.

Laura Austin Clerk to Gt Bromley Parish Council

LITTER PICK

On Saturday 10th November we had the village **litter pick.** Sadly there are very few helpers from the village who are willing to help for a couple of hours twice a year to keep your village clean. However, we would like to thank Richard Campbell at McDonald's for



supplying the high-visibility disposable bibs and litter grabbers.

NOTICE OF CASUAL VACANCY GREAT BROMLEY PARISH COUNCIL Notice of casual vacancy for Parish Councillor

NOTICE is hereby given that Mrs P Williams formerly a member of the above council has ceased to be a member and that a casual vacancy exists for the office of parish councillor.

On receipt of written requests from ten local government electors for the parish made to the Returning Officer at the office of Tendring District Council an election to fill the casual vacancy will be held.

If no such requests are made to the Returning Officer at the office of Tendring District Council within fourteen days from the date of this notice the casual vacancy will be filled by the parish council.

Date 14th November 2012 Signed: *Alan Thomas Chairman of Great Bromley Parish Council* If you are interested in becoming a co-opted member of this Parish Council and assuming no election is called please make yourself known to the Chairman or Clerk, clerk@gbpc.org.uk

There is a vacancy on the Parish Council that may be filled by co-option, the council is very keen that as many candidates as possible come forward and would welcome applications from anyone who is a resident in the village of Great Bromley. If you would like to become involved in helping to organise activities and the administration within the village then do make contact with Alan Thomas, the chairman of the council. Full training will be provided.

Alan Thomas Chairman, Great Bromley Parish Council chairman@gbpc.org.uk

Youth Opportunities in Great Bromley

I completed a survey on behalf of the parish council last month for Essex boys and Girls clubs regarding youth provision in Great Bromley and received the following reply;

Dear Cllr Hardy,

I write to thank you for your help in gathering evidence about opportunities available for young people in Essex, by completing my survey. I have now submitted my bid to the BIG Lottery Reaching Communities fund and hope that we will be successful. In the event of success, or sourcing alternative funding, we will contact you again in the hope that we can be of use to your community.

In the meantime, if you come across any voluntary groups running or trying to start a group for young people (aged 11+), or alternatively young people aged 11-19 looking for positive activity, please don't hesitate to put them in touch with us.

Very best regards

Juliet

If anyone wishes to contact this organisation directly regarding funding for projects please contact them on the following: Juliet Townsend

juliet@essexboysandgirlsclubs.org

M: 07984 794004

http://www.essexboysandgirlsclubs.org/ or follow the links from the PC website.

Cllr Hardy

SPEEDWATCH

The village **Speedwatch** had its first outing at midday on the 14th November at the two designated sites, Brook Street and Harwich Road. As we now have access to a speed gun, we will try to have regular outings. If you are interested in helping or would like more information please contact the Parish Council at speedwatch@gbpc.org.uk

BROADBAND IN GREAT BROMLEY

Many will recall the meeting last March in the Village Hall when County Broadband gave a presentation regarding the provision of a high speed broadband service to the village. Further, it was understood that as a significant number of households had expressed firm interest when contacted by the company in August, they would proceed to set up the service. Given the number of concerns that have been expressed at the apparent lack of progress since then, the Bromley Messenger contacted County Broadband.

Although the company had been led to understand that they had won a European Grant in December 2011, the formal letter of offer has only recently been received after they had had to canvass the support of various government departments in order to obtain the approval by the central government agency responsible for supporting broadband roll-out in the UK. The company is now re-applying to Ofcom for their radio licences for the project, which they had already done twice in anticipation of the offer letter only to have them lapse. Once the licences are received the bespoke equipment can be ordered and installed

Although there has been an indication that the service might be available in the latter part of January, the Bromley Messenger understands that the service is dependent on a number of third parties promptly taking up again matters which had had to 'parked' pending the formal offer of funding and we are left with the feeling that there may be some slippage.

That said County Broadband has asked us to pass on their sincere thanks to everyone for their patience and understanding. They also say that they remain committed to providing Superfast Broadband as soon as possible to Great Bromley and that they are very excited to finally be able to confirm the progress we have all been waiting for.

Leonie Henderson

The Parish Council has been advised by County Broadband that they hope to finally have a service available to Great Bromley residents in the first quarter of 2013. They are currently obtaining the necessary permissions for the Community Access Points, finalising the application to use the church as an Access Point and installing the core network. County have also said they will be writing to everyone who expressed an interest to provide an update.

You will see from their response to the Messenger that County Broadband have been experiencing difficulties with the red tape and bureaucracy such projects often seem to encounter.

The provision of a decent broadband service is becoming ever more urgent and has become more apparent recently with potential house buyers being put off by the poor service in the area.

It is hoped that the new year will see Great Bromley receiving the broadband service it so desperately needs. For up to date information on any developments please refer to the Parish Council website - if you can - at www.gbpc.org.uk

Neil Skinner



ST. GEORGE'S (C OF E) SCHOOL, GT. BROMLEY

Head teacher: Julie O'Mara Telephone: 01206 230305

Congratulations!

On the 16th of October St George's C of E Primary School successfully achieved the prestigious Eco Schools Green Flag



Award. The Eco-Committee shared some of their exciting projects with the assessors and described the impact these projects have had on the school environment. The

children's main priority was to attract more wildlife into the school grounds. The pond area has been renovated and the result has been an increase in the number of newts, frogs and insect life visiting the pond. The children constructed bird and bat boxes and also purchased bird feeders. Other priorities have included reducing energy consumption, promoting healthy eating, supporting local/national charities, growing fruit and vegetables, composting and recycling. A woodland area has been created by local volunteers and has enhanced the outside learning environment for all children. A special thank you goes to the Eco-Committee, Martin Frostick and Mrs Bishop.

School Website

We are delighted to report that our new school website is now up and running. Please visit the website regularly for information and updates. We would welcome your feedback on the layout and design.

www.st-georges-pri.essex.sch.uk

The children are really enjoying the rehearsals for our Christmas play – Oliver! This will be performed by the whole school n the Village Hall on 11 – 13 December in front of their parents/carers and relatives. Watch out for a full report in the Messenger.

On behalf of the children and staff I would like to wish you all a very happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

Hello! We wondered if you could help us?

We are St George's Football team, consisting of fifteen boys from years

3-6. We have been playing in the same kit now for over ten years and they are starting to look a little scruffy! Playing smartly is our motto and we would like to look smart when we play!



Would you like your company name advertised over the Tendring area by a smart playing team? If you could help us by sponsoring a new kit, please contact Mrs Platt at the school.

It would be wonderful if you could help!!! Thank you.

Ed Fairley

Great Bromley Parish Council

will be allocating grants in 2012/2013

to village organisations or voluntary groups whose activities benefit the community. Recent grants have ranged in value from £50 to £500 with recipients including the following:- St. George's church, Playgroup, Friendship Club and the Village Hall.

Applications for grants should be submitted in writing and by 1st January 2013 to the Parish Clerk c/o Maple Cottage, Blundells Road, Great Bromley, Colchester, CO7 7JP.

GRANTS Great Bromley Poorlands Charity

The Poorlands Charity was established over 400 years ago to assist residents of Great Bromley who are in need. The charity has an annual income of about £200 from which small cash grants can be made available to individuals and families. If you know someone who might benefit from this scheme please contact the charity's present secretary, Ken Bromfield Tel: 01206 230089

Email: ken.bromfield@btinternet.com
St George's Close Great Bromley
Colchester CO7 7HZ.

All enquiries will be treated in confidence but *must be received by* Friday 7th December 2012

LAWFORD COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PUBLIC CONSULTATION

In the spring of 2013 we will be making an Outline Planning Application in respect of a predominantly residential development on land at Dale Hall, Lawford; the proposal will include 150 houses together with:

- · Increased school playing field
- Equipped play area
- · Multi Use Astro Games Pitch
- · School Bus Park
- Public Open Space
- 'Farmyard' style small offices for employment
- Boundary Landscaping
- 'Safe' walking / Cycle route to railway station
- Rented Housing for Local People The application will be followed by an application for a further 100 houses east of Bromley Road together with:
 - New primary School entrance off Bromley Road with car parking
 - Play area and 'green' public open space
 - Increased area for the Venture Centre as camping field

- New public multi purpose meeting building
- Structural Landscaping
- Footpath Links

Both schemes are on land identified by Tendring District Council as their preferred location for development in the area. A pre-design public consultation will be held in the main hall of the Venture Centre on the 8th of December between 11.00am and 4.00pm. The purpose is to gain local opinion on a range of key issues, complete a questionnaire and make any alternative suggestions for consideration for inclusion in the planning application. Representatives from Rose Builders and Lawford Parish Council will be on hand to answer any questions. Questionnaire forms and information concerning the event will be available at ehutchings@rosebuilders.co.uk for those who may be unable to attend. THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO HELP

THIS IS YOUR OPPORTUNITY TO HELF SHAPE THE FUTURE OF LAWFORDROSE

2012/13 EVENTS

DECEMBER

- 1 Christmas Fayre, Village Hall, 10.00am Grand Christmas Bazaar, Seven Rivers Cheshire Home, 2.00pm Lt Bromley Amenities Group Christmas Quiz, The Haywain, 7.00pm
- 2 Ardleigh Primary School Music & Readings for Advents, St Mary's church, 6.30pm
- 5 WI Christmas lunch
- Messy Christingle, Village Hall, 3.00pm Carols Service for Bellringers, Lt Bromley church, 4.00pm Pre-design Public Consultation, Lawford Development, Venture Centre from 11am Christmas Concert, St Botolphs church, Colchester, 7.30pm Christmas Concert, Holbrook Hospital School, 7.30pm
- 9 Hare Green Half Pipes Community Breakfast & Roast Dinner
- 10 Carol Service/Event, Ardleigh Methodist church, 2.00pm
- 11-13 St George's School Christmas play -Oliver Village Hall
- 12 Gt Bromley Parish Council meeting, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 20 Friendship Club meeting, Village Hall, 2.00pm Lt Bromley Parish Council meeting, The Haywain, 7.30pm
- 23 Christmas Carols & Readings, St George's church, Gt Bromley, 6.30pm
- 24 Christmas Eve Crib Service, St George's church, 5.30pm

JANUARY 2013

- 2 WI Meeting, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 8 Village Hall committee meeting, 8.00pm
- 9 Gt Bromley Parish Council meeting, Village Hall, 7.30pm
- 10 WEA Music from the Movies. Ardleigh Village Hall, 2.30pm
- 17 Friendship Club meeting, Village Hall, 2.00pm
- 19 Quiz Night, Village Hall

Hare Green Half Pipes invite you to a

Community Breakfast and Roast Dinner

on Sunday 9th December.
Breakfast will be 10.00am till 12pm.
A full roast dinner will be served 3.30pm,
Cost is only £5.00 and £3.00 for under 11's.
To book your place ring 01206 250776

Brightlingsea & District Rotary Club

Friday 30th November at the YMCA Hall, High Street, Brightlingsea 7pm Tickets £7.50 per person includes hot supper (vegetarian option available please advise)

Bring your own drinks and glasses. Teams of 6-8

Musical entertainment during interval Profits to St Helena Hospice and EAA Tickets from Rtn. Carolyne Archer 01206 303459 / 07746 696566



Lt Bromley Amenities Group

Saturday 1st December

Christmas Quiz

at The Haywain at 7 pm

Teams of 4 - £5 per head to include buffet - raffle - ring 01206 390004 to book a table or email amenitiesgroup@gmail.com on behalf of Lt Bromley Amenities Group

Christmas Fayre



Saturday, 1st December 10.00am - 1.00pm Great Bromley Village Hall

Santa is visiting * Christmas Decorations
Live music * Tombola
Cakes PLUS All your favourite stalls
Refreshments

Bring the children and get the Christmas season started

Ardleigh C.of E. Primary School

Carol Service/Event

in Ardleigh Methodist Church on 11th December at 2.00pm parents and public very welcome

Village Hall Events in 2013

19th January - Quiz Night. Book your place with Jane

Bateson on 01206 230529. **End of February -**Table Top



Mid March - Race night May - Whist Drive

CRAFTY LADIES

We Patchwork and Quilt, Knit, Crochet, Bead Make and Craft.

If you would like to come along to work on your own project we meet at Langham Community Centre on

Wednesday 12th December 10am - 3pm Wednesday 9th January 10am-3pm Wednesday 6th February 10am-3pm

£4.00. We are a friendly group and welcome new members.

For more information please contact Jacqui on 07979 947931 or Toni on 07871 875455

St Mary's Church Ardleigh Sunday 2nd December 6.30pm

Music and Readings for Advent followed by refreshments and a celebration for Michael Simmonds' 50th anniversary as organist All welcome

Friends of Little Bromley Church Saturday 8th December 4pm

Carol Service for NE Essex Association of Change Ringers followed by tea. All welcome.

St George's Church Great Bromley

Sunday 23rd December 6.30pm

Christmas Carols and Readings with Refreshments.



Learning of Life

Ardeigh Branch Ardleigh Village Hall Thursdays from 10th January 2012 2.30 to 4.00 p.m.

Tutor: Chris Green

MUSIC FROM THE MOVIES

From the very early "silents" through to contemporary blockbusters, music has played a major role in the development of the cinema. The course traces that role with major composers.

The course lasts for 10 weeks and the Fee is £45, There is a tea break of about quarter of an hour in the middle of the session.

You can turn up for the first week and see if it is the course for you before making a full payment on the second week.

Further information can be had from either Jill FROSTICK (Secretary) on 01206 250263 or John TERRY (Chairman) on 01206 230490 Please let either one of us know if you are interested or just turn up on the 10th January at Ardleigh Village Hall where we will be there to welcome you.

THE DOCTORS' SURGERY NEWS

Gt Bentley Surgery

Thank you for being patient with us while we were struggling through the change of our computer system at the beginning of November. The good news is that we have survived it. It led to a couple of difficult weeks whilst everyone – particularly the doctors and nurses - had to get used to a completely different way of recording consultations or finding data from patient records. Even jobs as simple as sending internal e-mails and messages took on a whole new dimension. We had allowed extra time for each appointment for those two weeks, but they were still it a bit of a struggle at times so if anyone felt we weren't performing up to our usual standards, please accept our apologies. Normal service should have been resumed by the time you read this.

Christmas is now approaching, though and sadly, no long weekend for us this year. We will be closed just for Christmas Day, Boxing Day and of course January 1st. In preparation for the inevitable Christmas rush please try to get your repeat prescription requests to us in plenty of time, remembering to put on them the date and place when you want to pick things up.

As many of you will already have found out, our supply of flu jabs arrived at last on 31st October. As far as I know, the company with which we placed our original order has still not managed to release any



stock, so we are grateful to MASTA, the supplier which stepped into the breach, for saving our flu jab season, despite the late start. Anyway, we now have plentiful stocks, so if you are due a free jab and

haven't yet booked for it, please give us a call and make an appointment. If you are already coming in to see a doctor or nurse about something else, please ask to be jabbed at the same time, which might save you an extra trip in to the surgery.

We are now getting ready for the next change in medical personnel which happens early in January, when Dr Cavenagh will be retiring as a partner and reinventing himself as a part-time salaried GP. Dr Nambi will be taking over his partnership role. At about the same time there will be another very welcome addition to our team as Dr Sirisha Rokkam joins us, also as a part-time salaried GP, working Thursday and Friday, the days that Dr Cavenagh will be dropping.

Just briefly, another seasonal reminder. As the nights draw in and the weather gets colder, please don't forget elderly relatives, friends and neighbours. This winter it seems that fuel bills are going to soar and that many of the people find it difficult to get out during bad weather but who need warmth most are looking for ways of keeping down their costs. They might well be glad of a friendly visit now and then, or even an occasional invitation to share a meal or just a bit of company in someone else's warm sitting room.

Finally for this month of course, all of us here at the surgery wish you a happy, healthy Christmas and a wonderful 2013. No jubilees, Olympics or even grand slam winners to look forward to perhaps, but just a good summer and twelve peaceful months will do me fine. I hope we all get them.

Hugh Cronin, Practice Manager, Great Bentley Surgery

WOMEN'S INSTITUTE



This was the last meeting before our Christmas Celebrations so we felt it was only right to treat our speakers to a fine rendering of

Jerusalem with our president Jenny at the piano.

"The Waitrose Way". The Colchester Store had sent four of their "partners" (more of that later) to speak to the assembled company; we were taught, shown and tried the products of the aforementioned store.

Dan started the talk explaining that they like to be the best they can be at championing fresh, seasonal and local produce so that the products are at their very best when we, the customer, purchase them. Matt went on to say that Waitrose own a farm in Lancashire, that they always put the customer first, they supply British throughout the summer which in the autumn is apples and pears. Pork comes from Maldon, bread from Woodbridge, jams and preserves from Tiptree. Dan continued with talking about reduction with carbon dioxide emissions. reducing waste with water and packaging. Bags can be recycled in a bin outside their store with staff also involved by sharing ideas and transport; they are encouraged to cycle to work if able or car share if they can.

Emma then explained how they like their customers to be treated, the staff are all "partners" and all have shares in the company depending on length of service. The company also supports Fair Trade stocking more of their goods, paying fair prices to farmers. They also support a food bank to help needy families in conjunction with other branches. We may well have seen the local charity support offered by the store as they are voted by the customer at the exit with green tokens, then each charity nominated gets a donation proportionately to the number of votes they receive from the public.

Colette talked about eating well with some ideas, and highlighted within the branches was healthy cooking, flavouring, and portion

size, and also the use of half fat

products rather than full fat. Hints can also be accessed on line.

'Love Life' is a new brand, suitable for a healthier life style, including a Gluten Free Range (within the 'Love Life Free From' range)

Training is done within the store and just recently they have been training staff for the new Ipswich store. Also, within this concept they encourage all staff to offer ideas for development and progression within the company is actively encouraged.

At the end of the talk they had supplied us with a wonderful selection of goodies to have with our coffee, some had a long date range on them so were kept for us to enjoy in January. What a very enlightening talk this was and heartfelt thanks were given to the speakers by Karen.

On 2nd January the talk will be on Hedgehog Haven and the competition a bristly brush.

Jov Rolfe

MacMillan Coffee Morning

The Women's Institute would like to thank all those who supported this Coffee Morning to which people came from as far away as Dovercourt and Wrabness. £228 was raised altogether from the different stalls and competitions. Mary Hart correctly guessed the number of iced flowers on the cake, 123 in all, and kindly gave the cake back to be auctioned. Jill Frostick accurately positioned the cup and saucer and won the competition.

In addition, Rose Loy from Kelvedon sold £237.23 worth of FairTrade goods, including Christmas cards, foodstuffs, jewellery, wooden articles and small gifts. A pleasing result all round.

Sue Orriss

CHILDHOOD DAYS BY VERA BIDDIS (PART 2)

We had a lovely white-heart cherry tree at Evelyn Villa garden just outside the back door. I could reach the fruit from my bedroom window. We had Miss Johnson living with us, one of the school teachers, who used to tie my left hand behind me when I did writing because I was lefthanded. (I still am with some things.) You never dared to be late for school - if you were you had to write "I must not be late for school" 50 or 100 times. I left school at 14 years old. In those days you stayed at the same school unless you are clever enough to pass the 11+ exam which I unfortunately didn't, that must have been a disappointment to my parents. Miss Johnson made me sit and practice the piano every night which I hated because everyone else was allowed outside (I'm sorry now that I didn't practice more) and then when I did get out to play she used to make me come into bed so early. I was usually hiding behind the Keeble's water butt, no one knew where I was or so they

We used to walk to school when I first started, calling for friends on the way, sometimes eating our lunchtime sandwiches before we arrived! We used to take a mug to school one day a week in the winter because Mrs Hurst's maid from the Lodge used to bring hot soup at lunchtime. In the summer time we used to fill our water bottles from the Hall Farm yard pump and get turnips from the field to eat.

One dread I always had walking home from school was meeting loose horses, taken off the station at Ardleigh and driven to the marshes at Brightlingsea. I didn't mind the cows and sheep or bullocks but I found the horses really frightening. The Cross Pond in those days used to be open both ends so the cattle went in one end and out the other after having had a drink.

Living near the ponds (Cross and Walnut Tree) there used to be hundreds of frogs in the spring time and I used to hate having to walk home in the dark from the Blacksmiths (my grandfather's) as I felt I was walking on them all the time. It was horrible in the morning to see so many on the road that were run over flat by carts and bikes etc, big ones with little ones on their backs. Thank goodness there are not such a lot about now although I believe they are missed in the gardens. I think they have disappeared with the sprays the farmers use.

Mr and Mrs Gillingwater lived at Pond House, in

those days there was a monkey puzzle tree in the front garden. The children in Burnt Heath used to get invited there for a garden party in the summer - we used to love playing croquet on the lawn and have a treasure hunt all over the garden. I remember the happy times spent on that Pond when it was frozen especially if it were moonlight. Chairs were very much in demand those nights, with only a few skates. I of course fell through the ice on one occasion. I never would slide. Mrs Gillingwater left Pond farm after her husband was killed at Frating on AA patrol. A family by the name of Clipston came to live there, he was something to do with the hunt for Mr Percy Crossman at Great Bromley Hall (the hunt master - the hound kennels were up at the top of the hill near the rectory). Their son Ernie was my boyfriend for a while.

When I was 12 my father built the house "Southview" next to Burnt Heath Chapel so we left Evelyn Villa (I loved that house). Charlie Keeble married May Frostick from Dedham and they moved into it. They had two children, Adrian and Beryl (whose daughter Glenda Hurst is who I decorated the Chapel for on the day I started writing this.)

Here is a picture from Vera's Scrapbook of the memorial corner tree I described last month:



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More soon! Many thanks to Jean Austin for letting me borrow, edit and reproduce Vera's handwritten memoir and also the photo. There may be some transcription errors by me on names and so on; always glad to be corrected!



Little Dragons Pre-School

Great Bromley & Frating
Ofsted Inspected

Website: www.littledragonspreschool.org

Email: littledragonspreschool@gmail.com

Great Bromley Village Hall

Monday & Wednesday 9.15-11.45am & 12.15-2.45pm Tuesday & Thursday 9.15-11.45am Children 2-5 years

Lunch club available every day
For more details/visits please contact us on 0785 7503103

We are pleased to announce that 'Little Dragons Preschool' will be moving to new premises in the New Year. We will be situated close to St Georges School and Gt. Bromley Church.

A Breakfast Club will be available – 8.00am – 8.45am St George's children (and a walking bus to school) 8.00am – 9.00am Pre-school age Children will be able to choose from a range of healthy foods, including fresh fruit, yoghurts, cereal, toast and fresh juices. From £3.90.

For session times and further information please visit our website.

We are looking forward to another busy month – December is always a special time at preschool. Glue and glitter galore as we make cards and decorations for Christmas and prepare for our party. All preschool children and their parents are invited to join us for our Christmas/ leaving party on Thursday 13th December.

On the 3rd December we have Amanda visiting to tell us about the story of Christmas.

Also during the week beginning 3rd December we are hosting another Dads week, inviting Dads to join us in our sessions and take part in some of the activities.

Just a reminder that we are collecting the 'Morrison's Vouchers' and the 'Nestle box tops' so please tell friends and family.

We take children from the age of two years and offer a 'home visit' to families of children prior to them starting Pre-school. This gives the child the opportunity to meet

their key-person in their own home, aiding the transition stage to pre-school. It also enables us to collect and share information in a confidential environment.

For further information or to arrange a visit to the setting please contact us on the above number

Dates for your diary:

Beginning Mon 3rd Dec Dad's Week
Thursday 13th Dec Last day of
Autumn Term/Party

FRIENDSHIP CLUB

At the November meeting Mr Ridgley showed slides and gave a very interesting talk on his holiday to Venice. Members saw the wonderful architecture of the country and elaborate costumes worn during the Carnival, an old tradition which began in 1162. Mr Ridgley then judged the competition - a glass object.

The December Meeting will be in the form of a tea party for which members are asked to bring along a plate of eats. Brenda and friends will provide the entertainment and there will be a special raffle.

Subs will be due in January and are still £10. The entertainment will be Fred on the Piano and the competition a New Year Limerick.

Sylvia Ward



SEVEN RIVERS CHESHIRE HOME

Big Bangers, Missis!

The residents and friends at Seven Rivers had a spectacular evening of bangers, banshees and, if they were not careful, bellyache the other evening!



I speak, of course, of the nowtraditional evening of festivities in combined celebration of both Guy Fawkes Night and Halloween. Everyone

dressed up in suitably ghoulish and ghostly attire whilst enjoying the spectacle of our great bonfire and brilliant fireworks, organised by Gary, Adam and Steve, whilst tucking in to a delectable repast of wait for it - soup, chips and hot chocolate! bathroom, please!)

It was a brilliant evening, actually. We had a great firework display courtesy of the Dynamic Fireworks company



who kindly doubled our order of BIG, commercial fireworks at no extra charge. They made a spectacular sight along with the big bonfire that Alex, our new Maintenance No 2 had built for us.

To top it off, we had a unique "Guy" - it was actually our entry from the village Scarecrow Competition, "World Cup Willie", whom we re-cycled - poor fellow, what an end!

It was great to see so many new faces looming up out of the darkness, too. No, not qhouls, these,



but welcome visitors from far and wide who thought they would come along to see what we were getting up to. Good to see you - do come again!

Winners of our Halloween Fancy Dress competition were Ben and Noah in the children's classes, and new resident Alex and her partner Janet (pictured) in the Adults Competition.

Congrats to them and all who made it happen.

Colin File

GT BROMLEY CRICKET CLUB

100 Club Winners for October

1st. Mrs Gill Christmas2nd. Mr. Jake Foley3rd. Mr. Pat Petchey.

A very successful and enjoyable Quiz night was held in the Village Hall on Saturday 27th October in aid of Cricket Club Funds. The Club raised approximately £400. Thank you to all who helped and supported the evening. The Club would like to thank everyone for their help and support throughout the season and to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Healthy and Happy New Year.



Thanks from the Hospice Stall in Briar Road

We would both like to sav manv thanks to all of vou who have supported the Hospice Stall again this

vear.

Once again as well as our own produce, local businesses and individuals have given us produce to sell, which has all helped in raising this year's total of £2.941.76 which the Hospice is now in receipt of.

Our Greenacre Cattery allotment is a great asset in growing our flowers and some of the vegetables that we sell on the stall. Thank you Liz and lan.

The stall will be operating through the winter with Bric-a-brac, jigsaws, wild bird food and kindling plus any other items that come our way. If anyone has small items of bric-abrac in good condition or any unwanted Christmas presents we would be grateful.

The stall will be closed from 24th December 2012 until 2nd January, 2013, however kindling, wild bird food and jigsaws will be available over that period.

We would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year.

Once again, many thanks. Jenny and John, Briar Road, Great Bromley

We are now in receipt of the following letter which we are printing as it appertains to all of you who support the Hospice Stall.

Letter from Rosy Stamp, Hospice Director to Jenny and John dated 9.11.12

"Thank you for your recent generous donation of £2941.76 for the work of St Helena Hospice.

We understand that this magnificent amount was raised over the past year by the sale of home-grown produce outside your home, either from your own garden or given for sale by friends and local businesses. Please pass on our sincere thanks to all who contributed in any way to this amazing effort!

We are very grateful for this kind gift which will help us to continue to provide care and comfort to local people and their families. Thank you for your support ... It is very much appreciated."

ST HELENA **HOSPICE**



St Helena Hospice your time...your hospice

St Helena's retail team look forward to Christmas

St Helena Hospice is delighted to announce that they will have a new addition to their shopping experience over the festive period, in the form of a pop-up Christmas shop, which will open at the beginning of October at 29 Priory Walk, Colchester.

All the sparkle of Christmas will be on offer, with a range of Christmas gifts, toys and decorations. And as we move nearer to the holiday season, there will also be a chance to meet Father Christmas and his

helpers at the shop.

The shop will be located directly opposite Sainsbury's in Priory Walk and will open from October, running until the end of December.

For more information, please call the retail team on 01206 890170.

Did you know that our new shop and warehouse is open at Angora Business Park, Peartree Road, Stanway, and is operating from 9am-4pm, Mondays to Saturdavs.

We also accept all your quality pre-loved goods at this site, and free furniture collections can be arranged. For enquiries, please call 01206 793937.

NATURE AT PRIMROSE FARM



Primrose farm has got several areas on the farm that have been developed with the aid of Conservation grants. The boundaries have been planted with

mixed varieties of trees in 2001 and they are now really growing fast and this year they are so full of autumn colours. Across the middle in line with the footpath is a beetle bank built to encourage beetles and the wildlife that are feeding from them. Also there is a owl box on the edge of long cover wood that has had some activity recently but we are only aware if there is nesting occurring if at dusk we see an owl often a barn owl swoop low over the field to the tree to nest. We have also dug a wildlife pond which is very much influenced by the water table at the moment is filling fast. It has a little community of very 'small fish and newts which will grow rapidly. This month has seen buzzards circulating above the field up high on the therms.

Some interesting facts about buzzards .

- Buzzard mainly resides in the warmer climates of European countries, particularly in Britain, Germany and France.
- A great opportunist, it adapts well to a varied diet of pheasant, rabbit, other

- small mammals, snakes and lizards and can often be seen walking over recently ploughed fields looking for worms and insects.
- Being birds of prey, the buzzards hunt for food. They have excellent eyesight and hunt during the day. They attack the prey with their hooked beak and sharp talons, which are quite lethal.
- Buzzards mostly tend to hunt alone, though it is not unusual to find them hunting in pairs. While these birds are not known to be scavengers by nature, they eat carrion occasionally.
- The bird is known to nest in a variety of environments that can range from open hills and farmlands to forest clearings and rocky environments.
- These birds remain very independent throughout their life. They are not known to form flocks like the other birds. However, they migrate together and even live in the same area. They rarely fight among themselves, except when one bird trespasses on other's territory.
- Woodland areas are seen as ideal for buzzards to breed. To attract the female, the male bird performs an intricate aerial ritual and notifies that there is a nest nearby.
- Buzzards have a reputation of being devoted partners, as they mate for life.
 Both the parents care for the young ones, during the first six to eight weeks of birth.

Karen Moss



GREAT BROMLEY POST OFFICE at The Cross Inn

Ardleigh Road, Great Bromley CO7 7TL Telephone: 01206 231073

Mon/Tues: 9.30am-2.00pm Wed/Thurs/Fri: 10.00am - 2.00pm

Sat: 9.00am-midday

- Please note that there is now a wide selection of cards and wrapping paper available.
- A dry cleaning service is also available.

Please ask for details at the counter.

ESSEX POLICE

If you need to talk to me for any Police Community problems, you can contact me on 07967 466876, or 101 ex 487607 (free phone) or email me leslie.barnes@essex.pnn.police please note if you leave a message I will try to reply to your call the day I am next on duty.

Les Barnes PCSO 71909

Incidents for Great Bromley in October

Burglary Other - Hilliards Road **Fire Arms** - Hall Road - (2 male shooting in a field)

Theft - Brook Street - (Victorian chimney pot and statue taken)

Suspicious Circumstances - Chase Road - (Male following a young girl) Burglary Dwelling - Harwich Road Criminal Damage - Chapel lane - (Knife wound to a horse)

PCSO LES BARNES 71909

Dear residents

The winter is fast approaching which often sees an increase in rural oil thefts. If you would like advice on this please feel free to contact me. Please also be aware of road safety - especially when driving in freezing and wet conditions. Check your tyres and brakes and simply keep a blanket in the boot.

Ps 3030 Simon TATTERSALL 3030@essex.pnn.police.uk

NEWS FROM THE BELFRY



The main news from St George's bell ringers is the arrival, after a wait of sixteen months, of six new bell ropes. These new ropes, with their purple and

gold sallies, were dedicated at the end of the Harvest Songs of Praise on 7th October. They replaced the old ropes with their royal blue sallies which towards the end were held together by tape and hope. At least one Quarter Peal attempt was terminated by a broken rope. We would like to thank all those who kindly gave donations towards the new ropes. The bell ringers themselves donated their wedding fees.

The local band took part in the North East District of the Essex Association Quarter peal month in September and successfully completed 1260 Changes Of Plain Bob Minor on Friday 7th. Those taking part were Sue Orriss, Steve Cheek, Lesley Barrell, David Culham, David Wenden and Barry Bloyce. A Quarter Peal was also rung on the four bells of Little Bromley.

Band practices at 8.00pm on Friday nights and on every second Friday of the month hosts the North East District Minor practice. It also rings for Sunday morning services twice a month in conjunction with bell ringers from Ardleigh. We look forward to welcoming the District to Little Bromley for their Annual Carol Service on Saturday 8th December.

We always welcome anyone who is interested in the ancient art of campanology.

David Wenden (Tower Captain)

MOBILE LIBRARY GREAT BROMLEY



NEW TIMES & LOCATIONS wef 16.1.13

for Fortnightly Wednesday visits

Location	Arrives	Departs			
Church Meadow	10.55	11.30			
Bromley Cross/Cro	ss Inn 11.35	11.50			
Hamilton Lodge	12.00	12.15			
Chase Road West	12.25	12.40			
2013					
January 16, 30	February 13, 27	March 13, 27			
April 10, 24	May 8, 22	June 5, 19			

THE RECTORY, GREAT BROMLEY

Dear Friends.

There is a principle in life that most people, including Christians, believe and follow. More than any other time of the year this principle is acted upon at Christmas. The principle is this: the good life is a full life. In other words, the good life is a life that is packed full of as many experiences as possible.

This principle (probably unknown to us) drives us in the weeks leading up to Christmas. We want to experience Christmas to the full. So our December calendars quickly fill up with family gettogethers, company parties, Christmas pageants and plays, Christmas carolling, concerts, Christmas card writing, Christmas shopping, cooking etc.

"But all those things are necessary", we rationalise. Well in fact, No they're not! They are part of our schedules because we don't want to say "No". Is it any more wonder then, that our Christmases are more hectic than holy, more exhausting than exhilarating, more painful than joyful? The tragedy is that we have robbed ourselves of one of the most precious features of the first Christmas.

Every year we successfully recreate and remember many features of the first Christmas as we listen again to the Christian Gospels. We recreate and remember baby Jesus, Mary, Joseph, the shepherds and the angels. We recreate the stable and the manger, sometimes even the animals. But there is one feature of that first Christmas that we make impossible for ourselves to receive: the quiet of Christmas.

I am fairly convinced that one of the reasons that "Silent Night" is a cherished favourite of so many millions is because it speaks of something that we long to have but don't have, the quiet of that first Christmas. The opportunity to stop, become

quiet, and meditate on what the birth of that child is really all about; to soak up all the wonders of the birth in silence. That is one of the reasons why something stirs in our hearts when we sing of that first silent night when all was calm and all was bright.

Martin Luther also understood the importance of quiet. He once wrote, "The Christmas Gospel is so clear that there is little need of learned interpretation. It is only necessary to ponder it well, to contemplate it, and to take it completely into your heart. None will derive more benefit from it than they whose hearts hold still and divest themselves of material considerations and concentrate diligently on it".

This of course is wonderful advice. If you desire to find the joy and true meaning of Christmas, then be a quiet and still, pond rather than a rushing stream and go somewhere where you can be quiet and meditate upon the Christmas Gospel. Then you will find wonders that you scarcely believed possible as the Holy Spirit ministers to you. Then you will find that the true meaning of Christmas is not that Christ is born, nor even that Christ the Saviour is born. The true meaning lies in the fact that Christ the Saviour is born for you to be the antidote for your sin, to rescue you from a busy empty life and bring you to eternal life.

Although many believe that a good life is a full life and that a good Christmas is a full Christmas, our God disagrees. He would have us know that the good Christmas is a quiet Christmas; a quiet Christmas spent meditating upon the riches of Christ.

A very happy, peaceful and quiet Christmas to you all.

Fr. Robert

ST. GEORGE THE MARTYR, GREAT BROMLEY

united with St. Mary the Virgin, Ardleigh



Church of England Services December

		December		
Sunday 2nd		Advent Sunday		
	8.00am	Eucharist	St. George the Martyr	
	10.30am	Parish Eucharist - Incense will be used	St. Mary the Virgin	
	6.30pm	Advent Carol Service	St. Mary the Virgin	
Saturday 8th	3-5.30pm	Messy Christingle	Gt Bromley Village Hall	
Sunday 9th		2nd Sunday of Advent		
	8.00am	Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin	
	10.30am	Parish Eucharist	St. George the Martyr	
	6.30pm	Evensong	St. Mary the Virgin	
Sunday 16th		3rd Sunday of Advent		
	8.00am	Eucharist	St. George the Martyr	
	10.30am	Parish Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin	
Sunday 23rd		4th Sunday of Advent		
	8.00am	Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin	
1	10.30am	Parish Eucharist	St. George the Martyr	
	6.30pm	Readings and Carols	St. George the Martyr	
Monday 24th		Christmas Eve	0.14	
	4.00pm	Crib Service	St. Mary the Virgin	
	5.30pm	Crib Service	St. George the Martyr	
Tuesday 25th	11.30pm	Midnight Mass - Incense will be used Christmas Day	St. Mary the Virgin	
-	9.30am	Eucharist with Book of Common Prayer	St. George the Martyr	
	10.30am	Christmas Parish Eucharist	St. George the Martyr	
		Incense will be used at this service		
Sunday 30th		First Sunday of Christmas		
	8.00am	Eucharist	St. George the Martyr	
	10.30am	Parish Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin	
		with Laying -on-of-Hands and Anointing		
Sunday 6th Janua		January		
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	10.30am	Parish Eucharist - Incense will be used	St. George the Martyr	
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Sunday 13th	6.30pm	Evensong The Baptism of Christ	St. George the Martyr	
Sulluay 15th	8.00am	Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin	
	10.30am	Parish Eucharist	St. George the Martyr	
	6.30pm	Evensong	St. Mary the Virgin	
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	10.30am	Parish Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin	
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	8.00am	Eucharist	St. Mary the Virgin	
	10.30am	Parish Eucharist	St. George the Martyr	
	6.30pm	Evensong	St. Mary the Virgin	
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February				
Sunday 3rd Febru		Presentation of Christ - Candlemas	0.0000000000000000000000000000000000000	
	8.00am	Eucharist	St. George the Martyr	
	10.30am	Parish Eucharist - Incense will be used	St. Mary the Virgin	
	6.30pm	Evensong	St. George the Martyr	

Holy Communion every Friday at 11.00am at Seven Rivers, Hall Road, Great Bromley.