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Editorial

Hey there, are you new to our village? Perhaps you have joined our community since Covid made all our lives topsy turvey. If so, you may not know that usually, every year we have a glorious Flower Festival in our church which is a draw to visitors from near and far. It was a splendid three day affair with beautiful flowers and music; yummy refreshments and many subsidiary stalls and attractions, a car boot, a hog roast, home made cakes, jams, chutneys, books galore, plants and home made crafts and bric a brac to explore. You could climb the church tower and see for miles or launch a teddy bear from the top!

Over a hundred people volunteered to help and many families were involved. A very good sum of money was raised to help keep the church building in good order and then came COVID!

As everywhere, the village became a quiet, introspective place, with neighbours waving across a road; no casual chats or laughter, no meeting for coffee and a gossip, not quite knowing how everyone was. We very sadly lost friends and our hearts went out to their families in their loss. We tightened our resolve, shopped online or were thankful for the kind volunteers who stepped in to help those who needed it, stayed home and stayed safe.

Now, just like the buds on the trees, we are beginning to open up again and by the time you read this, we will probably know what Boris has in store for us in the longer term. Sports clubs are in full swing and gradually normal life is returning to our village. Hopefully, we will be able to meet, have coffee, greet our families, go to our clubs and socialise again.

The Youth Survey will show us what the young people want and then we can get

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cracking and look for funds to provide it. Hope your family filled in a form!

A small group has decided to resurrect the Flower Festival, not just to raise money to protect our distinctive beautiful church, but to offer a chance to become part of a team, to enjoy the camaraderie and fun of working together for a common aim. There will be more detail in coming months, but if you would like to be part of this, perhaps for an hour or two, they are looking to September 26th and 27th. So please save these dates.

Thanks for donations go to Mr and Mrs M Tombling, Anon on Station Road and Anon on Oak Avenue.

North Elmham Parish Council Annual Meeting

Wednesday 5th May, (via Zoom)

The following information is taken from the Draft PC minutes. The full official minutes can be viewed in the Post Office and on the Community website, once approved.

Councillors Present: Mrs. J. Borgnis (Chairman), Mr. M. Phillips, Mr. B. Gee, Miss A. Ferris, Mr. T. Fitzalan Howard, Mr. P. Grainger, Mrs. A. Keeble, Mr. J. Labouchere, Mr. N. Markwell, Mr. M. Rayner and Mr. C. Smith.

Also in Attendance: Mr. K. Webb (Clerk), Mr. B. Borrett (County and District Councillor), Mr. C. Hill (Elmham News), Mr. I. and Mrs. S. Ball (webmasters) and one parishioner.

Public Participation

Work has started on the Brookside development and surprise was expressed at the initial disruption. The barns at the front of the site are being demolished and this is to take about a week. The school was aware of this situation. Mr. Rayner is

to contact Orchard Homes to ask them to keep the Parish Council informed of any future impact on pavements and access with information being made available to residents via Elmham News.

Mr. and Mrs. Ball thanked Mr. Markwell for providing his personal information and photograph which have been placed on the website. The Prince Philip book of condolence is to be removed from the website.

Election of Chairman

Mrs. Borgnis was nominated by Mr. Phillips and seconded by Mr. Labouchere. There were no other nominations. All in favour.

Election of Vice Chairman

Mr. Phillips was nominated by Mr. Grainger and seconded by Mr. Smith. There were no other nominations. All in favour.

Land Management Matters

Village Green: Mr. Smith is to chase the quotation in respect of the footpath. The green is generally tidy and the bin is being used. There are still complaints about owners not clearing up after their dogs. Mr. Gee has removed some rubbish and items from the stream.

Cathedral Ruins: Mrs. Keeble has said there have been reports of some children riding bicycles in the ruins.

Cathedral Meadows: Mr. Fitzalan Howard said that the derogation to burn brash is awaited.

Broom Green: Mr. Labouchere reported that the date to do the work is to be set for this month.

Millennium Wood (and Jubilee Wood): Mr. and Mrs. Ball were thanked for producing another dog poo poster.

Bridleway on Disused Railway Line & Other Railway Matters: In explaining that the MNR is aware of and has placed the safety cones and tape around the

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collapsed drain, Mr. Rayner confirmed that the land between the Station Road level crossing and the buffers is not included as part of the footpath to which there must be access at all times. Instead, it is covered by a Transport and Works Order.

Mr. Robinson is to ask the Parish Council to inspect the new footpath and fence.

Mr. Rayner has contacted the County Council and requested a pack to proceed with a Public Rights of Way. Nothing has been heard from Breckland Council regarding the Parish Council's response to the request by the MNR for a change in the original covenant.

Mr. Grainger reported the state of the bridleway to Norfolk County Council and they are currently investigating. The Chairman has also sent an e-mail to Mr. Hines, the Highway Engineer, on this matter.

Highway Matters

Mr. Grainger said that there are three matters which are ongoing:

- a) There is damage to Holt Road (near the Brookside development) with the centre of the carriageway worn.
- b) The right of way issue.
- c) The cycleway through the village green.

Pavilion and Playing Field

The reopening of the pavilion will follow government guidelines. The Tennis Club have advised that some of their steps have been damaged and they are thinking of replacing all the steps with a slope. They may ask the Parish Council to make a contribution to the cost of this work but will need to submit financial information to enable this to be considered.

Mr. Smith said that a new loft ladder is needed.

Youth Club Facilities

Mr. Fitzalan Howard thanked Elmham News for giving details and a reminder.

A piece is to be placed on the North Elmham Facebook pages.

Brookside Development Update

Work has started. Mr. Rayner is to contact Orchard Homes to request future advice on any actions that will have an impact on roads and pavements.

Risk Management

The Clerk reported that the annual insurance renewal documents had been received. It was agreed by all to proceed with the policy for a further year. The Clerk is to contact the brokers to confirm that volunteers undertaking work on behalf of the Parish Council are suitably covered.

Defibrillators

Miss Ferris has been in touch with the Community Heartbeat Trust and identified some of the volunteers. There have been mixed reactions from parishioners and it seems as training needs to be put in place. The Chairman and Miss Ferris are to discuss this matter and carry out some more research with a view to a further assessment being done at the next meeting.

Village Litter Pick

This matter is to be placed on hold. Some people are already litter picking. The Chairman is to put a piece in Elmham News.

Village Green Tree Planting Proposal

Mr. Grainger has passed details of this matter to Mr. Borrett.

Overview of Parish Council Financial Situation

Messrs Phillips and Grainger had considered the position in respect of the Parish Council's two loans with the Public Works Loan Board. The Clerk had also discussed the matter with Natasha John-Phillip, Business Operations Manager. The loan in respect of streetlights has an outstanding balance of £9,977 with just three years remaining.

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The Parish Council has a significant balance on the current account, and it was agreed to ring fence certain funds as follows:

- (a) £15K to cover potential legal fees for CANT (three years x £5K).
- (b) £33K in respect of the funds received for agreeing to the telephone mast (£40K originally to be spent over a period of 25 years).
- (c) A sum, to be assessed, to cover youth activity and a Building Reserve Fund for a new village hall.

The above action was proposed by Mr. Grainger and seconded by Mrs. Keeble. All in favour.

Mr. Fitzalan Howard reported that a leak had been discovered at the top end of the playing field (near the wall) and Anglian Water had been out to rectify the problem. The Clerk had received an assurance from Anglian Water that they would visit on a regular basis to read the meters. They had not been able to read the playing field meter in late December as a large hose had been stored next to the meter preventing access.

Planning Applications and Determinations

Applications

Mr. and Mrs. A.M. Pardoe – proposed demolition of an existing conservatory and erection of a garden room – 3PL/2021/0589/HOU – Monument House, Broom Green.

Determinations

Mr. Chapman – proposed dormer to front of property, first floor extension to rear – 3PL/2021/0196/HOU – 64 Station Road – approved

Mr. and Mrs. C. Healy – single storey rear extension – 3PL/2021/0338/F – The Railway Arms, 40 Station Road – approved

Mr. S. Blackmore – full planning barn conversion – 3PL/2021/0285/F – Kings Head Farm Barns, Back Lane – approved

Other Matters

The Chairman mentioned that there had been reports of some drug dealing being seen in the village.

Next Meeting

Wednesday, 2nd June 2021
at 7.30 p.m. in the Pavilion

It was agreed to amend the date and location of the Annual Parish Meeting to Wednesday, 23rd June (7.30 p.m.) at the Memorial Hall to facilitate Covid requirements by utilising the extra space available.

The Church Larder

The church is still hosting the Larder and there are plenty of items for anyone in need. Just go along and take a look. Everything from food, to household essentials and some items for children. Open from 9.00 am—5.00 pm.

Friends and Neighbours

Hello everyone, we are back on Thursday 8th July, and every alternate Thursday at 2.00pm in the Pavilion. Looking forward to catching up with everyone.

A close-up photograph of a white bowl filled with a thick, orange-brown soup, topped with a dollop of white cream. In the foreground, a chocolate cake is decorated with numerous almonds. The background is softly blurred, showing what appears to be a wooden table and other dishes.

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George Kerrison owned the shop which is now the Tea Post and Post Office. The shop had been in the Kerrison ownership for nearly 80 years before he sold it in 1968.

His grandfather Robert Kerrison took on the ownership of the shop – he came from Tittleshall, where he had been a grocer and draper. He is recorded in the 1881 Census as living at Tittleshall but in the 1891 recorded as living at the Stores, Chapel Road (Holt Road).

Whatever you wanted or needed, Kerrison's shop would have it. Whether you needed bacon, butter, currants, cheese or some wool for a cardigan, you would find it there and if you listened carefully you would also hear the latest gossip around the village!

George was Elmham, like a stick of rock, he had our village running through his bones! He lived in the village all his life but was away from 1939 – 1947 serving in the RAF Medical Corps, mainly in the African desert. He was a stalwart of 99% of Elmham associations, the British Legion, The Institute, the Elmham News, Playing Field Association and many more we know but can't think of at the moment.

He was a Parish Councillor, and also Chairman of the Parish Council for many years. He was a District Councillor from 1971 (then the old Mitford and Launditch RDC) until he retired from that in 1991. He was the member for Elmham, Bintree, Twyford, Guist and Gateley.

For all his work in local Councils he was awarded the MBE in 1997.

However we remember George best after he had retired. Now, like Jimmy, years later, we remember George with his wheelbarrow and broom and hoe, busily going around the village, sweeping up where he thought it looked untidy. He didn't stop to think 'Oh dear, I hadn't

better do this as I might offend someone who feels I am doing somebody else out of a job'. He swept pavements, cleaned out drains, picked up litter, pulled weeds up – you name it and he did it! We think that's where he heard all the gossip first hand!

What a pity Elmham looks so scruffy - and we don't have a man with a barrow and a broom, and a few hours to spare each week.

Janet Woodhouse

PS Just off outside with a hoe to remove weeds from my wall!! *Meg*

Elmham Wives Club Plus All

Everyone is keen to meet up again after the long break, and to this end and all things being equal, we are arranging a preliminary meeting to be held on Thursday 10th June, 7.30pm in the small hall at the Institute. We will socially distance and wear face masks - we will not be able to use the kitchen, so bring a drink with you if you wish.

Again, all things being equal, on Thursday 1st July, we will celebrate our 50th birthday and we INVITE all present and past members, together with their partners, speakers, and in fact anyone who has had a connection with the group, to join us for this. It is thanks to YOU that Wives Club has reached this landmark. We will meet at 7.30pm in the large hall at the Institute (wear a mask if you wish).

Please come along, you will be very welcome, but please telephone one of the undersigned if you would like to join us in order that we can keep a note of numbers for catering purposes and in case of restrictions.

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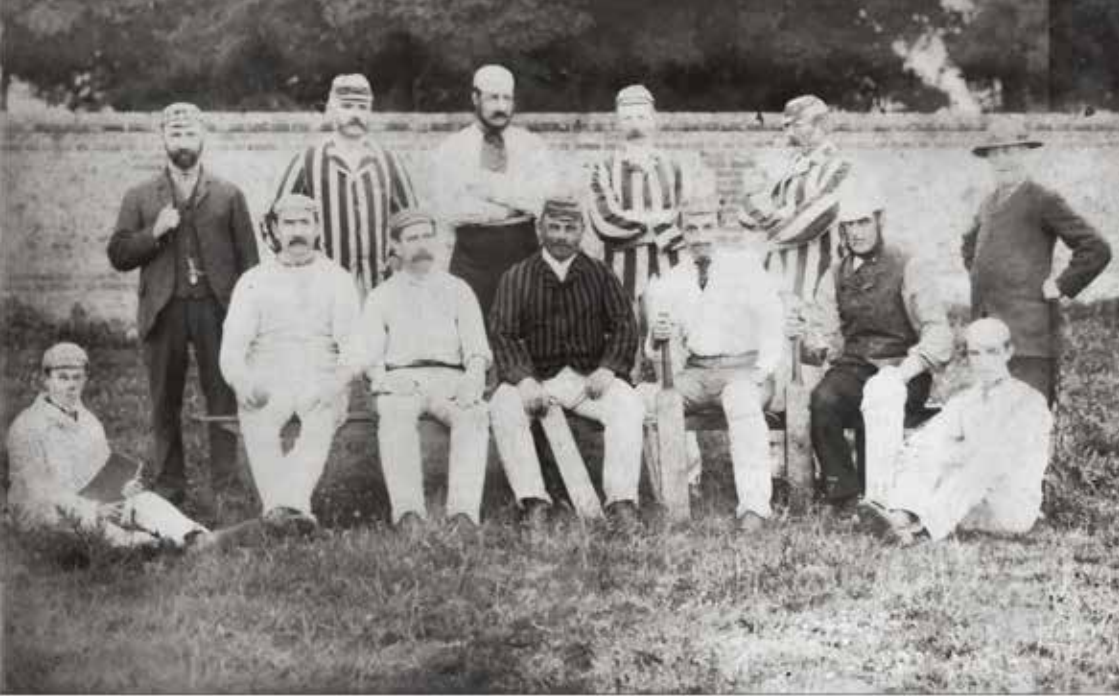
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North Elmham Cricket Team 1887

I recently received an email from Cornelia Bidewell who sent a cricketing photograph of 1887 for the Archives. Cornelia went on to say that there was a 'stuck' drawer at Grange Farm, which she could never open but was determined that the time was right to use brute force and get it open – which she did and found the cricketing photograph.

Thinking about this image I went to look in our Archives and found that we have that same photograph too.

At the bottom of the photograph were some of the names of those posing in the picture, one cricketer in the back row had turned sideways! He obviously didn't want to be in it!

The names at the bottom only had initials for the first names, several of them were

Kerrisons, so I sent the image via email to Diana Dann, George Kerrison's daughter. She was delighted to receive the photo and has filled in the correct first names for the Kerrison family and also their ages.

I think the wall behind the team in the photograph is the curved wall of the Shrubbery at Tom and Jo Fitzalan Howard's home. We know the cricketers did use the estate for matches when it belonged to Lord Sondes. The Green Field wasn't used for football and cricket until the 20th Century, cattle used it instead!

What a surprise this has been. I have tried looking at the 1890 Census to fill out the history of all of them if I can. However, without something else to corroborate what the Census says I don't know anything about them. As in all communities especially rural ones there are usually several families with the same surname and first names which can send you on a false trail.

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However, a while ago we wrote about Jack Hansell, an Elmham man, who was a professional cricketer, he is on the photograph. He obviously played for Elmham whilst here, but I believe he played for a Yorkshire team.

What a lovely surprise – do you have a story with an Elmham theme to tell us... to share with us? Do let us know.

Janet Woodhouse

Dialect Today

Living on a farm as a young child, with old men the workforce just after the War, the speech that I heard would have been incomprehensible to an outsider. What would they have made of ‘oil ding yar lug if yew don’t git orff that sac o corn’, to me a skinny little girl in wellie boots, (I lived in boots) with cuts and scratches after playing in the hedgerows and strawstacks.

Actually, I often say to my Grandson, at eighteen he is nearly 6 feet tall, ‘Boy I’ll ding your lug’ but he knows I can’t reach his lug anymore. I tell him that I say that, so he remembers his roots!

Father was the horseman on the farm. There were a number of big Shire horses used for pulling carts and tumbrils and I loved them to bits. I’d go up to them and they would lower their heads and blow down their noses at me. Father would say ‘jest yew mind them clohoppers, theyl meake yew into mincemeat if they walk on yew’.

You talk the way you hear others talk, you copy, and when you are small you don’t know anything about accents or dialect, and you wouldn’t care anyway. However, if you leave home and go to live in another part of the country it is an eye opener. Suddenly you can’t understand what some people are saying and they can’t understand your thick accent either.

Now there is a Dialect Society here in Norfolk and sometimes there is a call for someone who is part of that society to be the dialect coach for TV or films. Apparently, our dialect or accent is hard to sound exactly right.

Isn’t it a shame that TV and films are changing the way we speak and computers also. Our dialect is dying out, it is being watered down by correctly speaking people on the television though there are some people from Yorkshire or other parts of the North who are managing to be presenters. Nice to hear them.

Here is a list of common Norfolk dialect words, and expressions, see how many you know.

- Dickey Donkey
- Dodman Snail
- Bishybarnybee Ladybird
- Huh On the huh,
not straight
- Sosh Not straight
- To jam on To step on
someone’s foot
- Mob To scold
- Ranny Shrew
- Smur Drizzle
- Swimmer A dumpling
- Hull Throw
- Hold yor blaaren Stop crying
- Wus up What’s wrong
- To tricolate Decorate
- Suffin savage Very angry
- Dint Did not

Two things I can’t stop saying. I’ve tried to no avail.

- Thass That is
- I aren’t Meaning I’m not

Let us know how many dialect words you can think of, and do you still use them?

Janet



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My Response To The Youth Survey

As a keen supporter of this village for over 40 years starting with playgroup, school associations, the Institute, the church, and children in general, I was totally dismayed to learn that so few people had bothered to fill in the Youth Survey. Perhaps "someone" else will do it.

I can imagine the despondency felt by Tom Fitzalan Howard on behalf of the PC after they learned of the apathy that exists. The effort that has gone into planning and producing a questionnaire and delivering it to every house in the village to then find out no one seems to care.

There are a group of us who have committed ourselves for years to raise funds for play equipment and the school library among other projects because we want all children to have fun and get

excitement out of trying new things. Has that all been in vain? Are parents not interested, are their children glued to iPads and computers? Are games and fresh air not PC anymore?

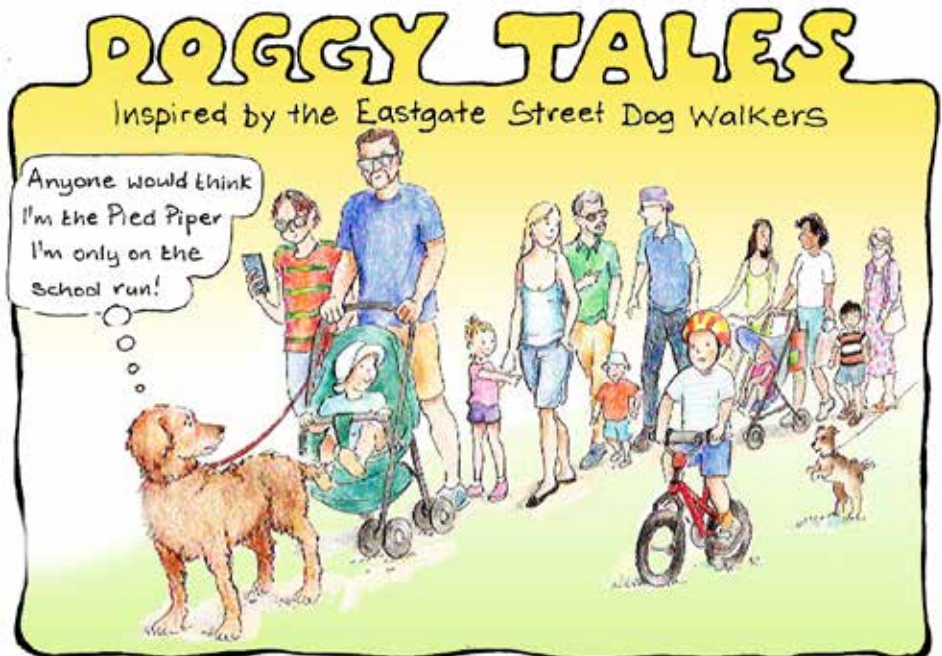
Please, please go and read the pink form again, even if you have no immediate children, and put the finished form in the Tea Post or Elmham Stores by Friday 11th June.

Thank you.

Meg White

I don't apologise for my rant but as you can see, if you have read this, I feel very strongly about it.

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Litter

Eagle eyed readers will have noticed in the minutes of the Parish Council that the subject of litter has been raised a number of times.

The village is fortunate to have residents who regularly clear up litter without being asked, and for no reward. The PC members are very grateful for their sterling work.

During discussions, it was felt that arranging formal litter picking sessions (similar to the one carried out in 2019) has the effect of allowing people to think that it is alright to drop litter in the belief that others will pick it up. Accordingly, the decision was made not to organise another session in the short and medium term.

However, in the spirit of the short piece in last month's magazine entitled "Who is 'Someone'" (page 25) the PC would like to encourage parishioners to look after their own immediate surroundings, and to pick up litter whenever and wherever they see it.

Thank you for your cooperation.

North Elmham Parish Council

Our Local Blacksmith

Glancing at a local magazine for May and June, the Let's Talk magazine, I saw a blacksmith with pictures of tall plants and ferns made out of metal and I thought Toby makes things like that, and carried on flipping the pages over. Then I realised this was Toby Winterbourn, who has a workshop here in the village and it was he who worked on and made our village sign.

It was an interesting article about his life and how he became a blacksmith.

He talks about his love of nature which is reflected in his work where he makes huge metal fronds of fern and other plants. He has exhibited at Windsor Great

Park and other venues but says plant sculptures are his real passion.

A nice story Toby let's hope we see lots more of your creations in the future.

Knit and Natter

Good news! The North Elmham Knit and Natter Group will be meeting again. The Pavilion is booked to us on June 29th 2.00 til 4.00 p.m. Social distancing will probably still be applying, but if the weather is good, we could even use the outside. There will be a warm welcome to everyone interested in knitting for charity, or just using the opportunity of having a cup of tea or coffee and a chat with old friends. I will be there with the usual free wool, patterns and needles, but we will have plenty to talk about, no doubt. Hope you will come along, and a lift can be arranged if needed. We hope that we will start regular meetings in the Pavilion on the first Tuesday in the month, beginning in August.

Eileen 668380

PS Thanks for all the mini hats. We have got until October, so keep them coming.

REMINDER

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Friday 11th June**



School News

Mental Wellbeing

I am sure you will agree that there has never been a more important time to speak openly about mental health and wellbeing with children and young people and to encourage them to talk about their feelings with family, friends, and trusted adults.

Research tells us that building the following proven five simple ways into our everyday lives can make a really positive difference to the mental health and wellbeing of both children and adults alike and help to build resilience and confidence.

1. Talk and listen – CONNECT
2. Be ACTIVE
3. Remember to TAKE NOTICE
4. Keep LEARNING Every Day
5. Acts of Kindness – GIVE to others

As part of our commitment to the wellbeing of our children, staff, and wider school community, I am proud to advise you that we will be launching the Five Ways to Wellbeing Project in our school.

Enrichment Surprises

Miss Ludlow commenced our new term by sharing the story: *The Go Away Bird* by Julia Donaldson & Catherine Rayner. This story is about a bird that just wants to be left alone, but the other birds are keen to talk and play with her. When she finds herself in trouble, she soon realises that everyone needs their friends. This book is based on how important friendship is. Miss Ludlow used a parrot puppet to act as her friend. In the second half of the enrichment the children made friendship bracelets for friends in their class. The context of the story also reinforced our focus on the value of "Forgiveness" this half term, which Ms Jones launched in collective worship on the first Monday back.

Mrs Otty has read *The Butterfly Inside* by Serena Lane Ferrari. This story is about determination, growth mindset and using friends to support any problems encountered. Oli, an Elf, wants to transform into a butterfly. He is determined that he will be able to fly like a butterfly and doesn't listen to those who mock and laugh at him. He asks his friends to help him achieve his goal. With determination and help he succeeds. Mrs Otty had a wind up butterfly hidden in a card which the teachers released at the end of the story. Some of the children took the butterflies outside at break and watched them fly in the wind. All children made a masquerade mask to show what was inside them - their short term and long term goals.

North Elmham Ofsted

During the last week of lockdown for us in school settings, we received an Ofsted inspection. Suffice to say it was remarkable in that it was virtual but no less intense and thorough in its inspection. I was especially proud of my school staff, LA, governors and children who contributed to the inspection. I can share the outcome with you all **"Having considered all the evidence and taking into account the impact of COVID-19 on the school, I am of the opinion that at this time: Leaders and those responsible for governance are taking effective action to provide education in the current circumstances."** The letter is on the school website.

Class News

Sheep class have really loved learning all about the Great Fire of London so far this term in their history lessons. Having started the unit by being history detectives and scrutinising the primary source materials, children have since been finding out about why the fire spread so quickly and what methods were used to try and control the fire. Samuel

Pepys' diary has been a great source of information for this! The class decided that the strong winds and the fact that the houses were made of wood were probably the most important reasons. They did not agree that creating firebreaks by pulling down buildings was a good idea, because they thought it was mean of the rich people to make the poorer people go homeless. We were very impressed by their independent thoughts on all of this!

We have also now started writing our own stories in English about an escape from the great fire (or another type of disaster!), inspired by the beautiful book we have been reading: 'The Great Fire of London' by Emma Adams:

In science, we decided that we needed to find the firefighters some better equipment ("They'll get so wet using those old water carts!"), so we are going to be testing some materials to see if they are waterproof or absorbent and then decide which would be suitable for making a fireman's suit.

For Mental Health Awareness Week, Whales had a circle time discussion about ways to look after our mental health. We also talked about how we could support others by simply offering a listening ear! We discussed what we could say to someone who needed somebody to talk to. Some of us wrote messages of support and encouragement, whilst others suggested trusted adults we could turn to.

In other areas of the curriculum, Whales have been busy identifying and classifying living things. We searched for micro-habitats in our local grounds and used classification keys to group them. We have also started to learn about the location of rainforests and the different layers. In Design Technology, we have been learning to make pop out folds and exploring different techniques. We look forward to making our own books for Sheep class!



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Lions class are well underway with several exciting projects in class, one being making a motorised vehicle in D&T - we'll show you pictures once they are finished. The children have worked very hard in Maths recently learning about algebra. They have all found it really enjoyable! Our Year 6s took part in a Crucial Crew event. Usually the children would attend a workshop with other schools but this year it had to be held online. Norfolk Constabulary hosted the event and spoke to the children about what is safe and not safe to post online. Also this month, a group of children from the class completed Level 1 & 2 Bikeability, which helped them learn about road safety.

We are receiving applications for new Reception intake. If you are interested or would like to arrange a school tour please contact the school office Tel: 01362 668318 or email: office@norhelmham.norfolk.sch.uk

*Ms Paula Jones
and the North Elmham Team*

North Elmham Cricket Club 2021

The photo on the cover shows our sponsor's presentation of our new shirts, Jason Miller (front left) owner of J&L Stoves, Iain Sinclair (front right) Team Captain, Mark Ballman (back left) Chairman, Kevin Hall (back right) Club Captain

Brief Match Reports:

April 17th v Fakenham 3rds (Friendly)

Fakenham 165-6 NECC 133. Fakenham won by 32 runs. Against a team a League above, NECC fell well short of their target after their opening 5 batsmen all notched ducks and although Ollie Hall and Ben Hunt rescued some pride with a 69 run partnership and kept the hosts in contention the task was too great.

Earlier the bowling attack had done well to restrict Fakenham to a modest 95-5 after 30 overs but a dashing half-century in 8 overs from H.Todd supporting an unbeaten 66 from opener B. Ashford set a good target. Wickets were shared around the bowlers with a spectacular runout from Juan Olivier the highlight.

J&L Stoves Man of the Match : Ollie Hall for his unbeaten 53.

April 24th v Brisley (Friendly)

NECC 203-7 Brisley 165-9 NECC won by 38 runs. Building on an opening half-century partnership (D Hall 30 O Jaggard 53) , the visitors got over the 200 mark with Ollie Hall (48) continuing his productive start to the season. In reply, Brisley were always in contention but a brilliant run out by James Harvey turned the tide Elmham's way despite several dropped catches mainly off the luckless Ben Hunt's bowling. Dan Hall's 3 wicket burst effectively ended the game played in excellent spirit.

J&L Stoves Man of the Match: Dan Hall for his 30 runs and 3-5 off 4 overs.

May 1st v Mundford A (League)

Mundford 17 NECC 19-1. NECC won by 10 wickets. Wearing the new sponsored shirts for the first time (see Photo) NECC made a flying start to their League campaign with a maximum point demolition of a youthful visiting team. Openers Hunt (3-3) and Sinclair(2-3) ripped through the top order subsequently supported by Ollie Hall (3-1) and Phil Bend(1-2) and at one time Mundford were 8-8. It took just 3 overs for NECC to knock off the winning runs with Ollie Jaggard smashing 14.

J&L Stoves Man of the Match: Ben Hunt

May 8th v Thornham A (League)

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We are planning on a slightly lower key festival than before, but still need to recruit volunteers to help. Perhaps there are bakers out there who would be willing to make scones or cakes, and to store them in their freezers for the time being or to produce them at the last minute.

Is there a Calligrapher out there who would be willing to write names and

labels? Are there any DIY helpers who would overhaul our Flower signs; chaps to help put up a couple of small party tents beforehand; are there any qualified First Aiders who might do a stint over the weekend; any helpers who could move and lift equipment about in church? How about arranging flowers, you don't have to be a professional, come and have a go or serving refreshments?

If you can offer a couple of hours, we can use you. Please get in touch, Meg 668302, Janet 668525

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Fruit Picking

If you lived here in Elmham from the summers of the early 1950's up to the late 1960's, you would have known where to go to earn a few pennies to supplement the family finances for school uniforms, or shoes for school in September. If you were a mum at home, with a bike, you could take your pick of where to go. You would have known what fruit was ripe first and where was the best place to go! Out would come the Thermos flask and a battered tin for sandwiches, pump up the tyres and off you would go.

Here in the village, there was always the blackcurrant season from June onwards, at Air Vice Marshall Don's estate. The field of currants stretched from the side of the wood near the present footpath, across to the new line of trees today (actually the footpath in the 50's and 60's went through the wood in a wavy line, the present footpath was instigated much later).

Everyone had lightweight baskets to fill – sorry can't remember the weight you were supposed to put in the basket. When weighed if you were overweight, some of the currants would be taken out and given back to you in an empty basket as a starter for the next one.

All the pickers had to be finished by 4.00pm as the lorry came to transport the currants to Tunstead. I believe they went to a Ribena factory somewhere near Great Yarmouth.

Later on the estate grew blackberries for a number of seasons instead of blackcurrants.

When Mr Robin Don took over the running of the estate, being a Master of Wine, he had a vineyard planted opposite the Dovecote and also in front of the church (more about that another time).

If you didn't mind a bike ride Gorgate Hall also had black currants, now machine picked but in the 50's /60's it was all done by hand. I can also remember sometime

in the 1950's as a young teenager biking there to pick French beans, a back breaking job as you had to bend over all the time you were picking.

Whilst at Billingford, the Parfitt family had strawberries to be picked. Fine if not too squishy, then you had the straw which was around the plants to wipe your hands in and clean them. Wherever you might be picking soft fruit, if the fruit was handled too much or squeezed you were always told in no uncertain terms not to do it again!!

If you fancied biking to Bintree, the Howard family had gooseberries earlier in the season – you definitely needed long gloves picking these as gooseberry bushes are cruel!

Simon Thompson became the new owner of Foxburrow Farm in 1972. Some of his acreage was given over to soft fruit, strawberries and blackberries. Rhubarb was also grown for a few seasons but I can't remember how it was picked. I am presuming it was probably done by the

regular team of women who worked there full time,

If you were a regular summer picker of soft fruit, and you get a whiff of strawberries or blackcurrants now you are immediately taken back to those fruit fields. Not unpleasant smells, but truly evocative of a different time.

Most of the workforces were women, the only time they were working whilst being Mum at home. They all worked very hard, were wonderful workers – but if you quietly walked down the rows the gossip was wonderful. As a child you learned a lot... most of which you couldn't understand!!

A Youngster in the 50's.

Ed's note: If you saw Keith Skipper's piece in a recent EDP, he copied me and I rang and told him so!!! *Janet*

Photo 1: "Fruit Pickers" left to right, Agnes Johnson, Eadie Taberham, Ethel Tombling and Unknown. *Photo 2:* "Weighing In" Polly Skipper & Air Vice Marshall Francis Don.



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Those 1940's-70's Kids

The following was sent to us in April, 2007, by Norman Lowe, sent to him by William Drew who grew up in Elmham before emigrating to Australia. It seems even more apt today than it did in 2007.

Congratulations to ALL the kids who were born in the 1940's, 50's,60's or 70's. First we survived being born to mothers who smoked and/or drank while they carried us. They took aspirin, ate blue cheese dressing, tuna from a can, and didn't get tested for diabetes.

Then after that trauma, our baby cots were covered with bright coloured lead-based paints. We had no childproof lids on medicine bottles, doors or cabinets and when we rode our bikes, we had no helmets, not to mention, the risks we took hitchhiking.

As children we would ride in cars with no seat belts or air bags. Riding in the back of vans - loose -was always great fun.

We drank water from the garden hosepipe and not from a bottle. We shared one soft drink with four friends, from one bottle and no-one actually died from this.

We ate cakes, white bread and real butter and drank pop with sugar in it, but we weren't overweight because we were always outside playing! No one was able to reach us all day. And we were ok.

We would spend hours building our go carts out of scraps and then ride down the hill, only to find out we forgot the brakes. After running into the bushes a few times, we learned how to solve the problem.

We did not have Playstations, Nintendos, X-Boxes, no video games at all, no 99 channels on cable, no video tape movies, no surround sound, no cell phones, no text messaging, no personal computers or internet chatrooms. We had friends and we went outside and found them!!

We fell out of trees, got cut, broke bones and teeth and there were no lawsuits from these accidents. We played with worms and mud pies from dirt, and the worms did not live in us for ever. Made up games with sticks and tennis balls and although we were told it would happen, we did not poke out any eyes.

We rode bikes or walked to a friend's house and knocked on the door or rang the bell, or just yelled for them!

Local teams had tryouts and not everyone made the team. Those who didn't had to learn to deal with disappointment. Imagine that!!

The idea of a parent bailing us out if we broke the law was unheard of. They actually sided with the law!

This generation has produced some of the best risk-takers, problem solvers and inventors ever!

The past 50 years have been an explosion of innovation and new ideas.

We had freedom, failure, success and responsibility and we learned how to deal with it! And if you are one of them, congratulations!

William Drew

Ed's note - reading this you can see how technology has moved on from 2007. But being a 40's child and living here in Elmham I can say... we also swam in the river, no adults in sight, dived off the bridge, played in the road (thankfully no one has tried that here today), rode bikes with no brakes, nor tread on the tyres - and lived to tell the tale!

We didn't realise at the time, but this was Utopia.



Wildlife at the Cathedral Meadows

What a cold month it's been! Officially the coldest April in almost 100 years and this has had an impact on the wildlife. A northerly airflow throughout the month meant spring migrants were slow to arrive. I'm pleased to say Cuckoos have now arrived back, later than usual, but I've only seen one Swallow and no House Martins or Swifts at the meadows yet, although small numbers are back elsewhere in North Elmham now. Whitethroats (photo 1) made it back eventually and a Lesser Whitethroat has been singing in one of the hedges.



The cold, often frosty nights have meant it's been a really poor spring for moths. There was one relatively warm night recently so I took the opportunity to head to the meadows with some lights and found a half-decent selection of moths for the first time this year. The first moth I found was a Mullein (photo 2), a large and striking moth that's named after the Mullein plant which its young feed on. You can often see the caterpillars on the Mullein leaves along the railway in the summer, but the Mullein grows right in the path of where the railway company spray weedkiller and most of the caterpillars presumably get killed along with the plants just before they are ready to pupate. This area didn't get sprayed last year so I was hoping I might have a better chance of finding an adult this year, and so it proved. Other moths that night included a Great Prominent (photo 3) – an even larger and relatively scarce moth – and a Dotted Chestnut, a species that was first seen in south Norfolk as recently as 2013 and, over the next five or six years started to colonise the entire county.



One of our less conspicuous ladybirds is the 16-spot Ladybird (photo 4). It's quite distinctive but being a dull yellow colour

and quite a bit smaller than the more familiar red 7-spot Ladybird, it's harder to spot. I occasionally see them, but rarely more than two or three at a time. Earlier this week I walked up the north side of the meadows and noticed an unusually large group of 16-spot Ladybirds on one Dandelion flower and more on another. I started looking more carefully and there were hundreds of them! Eventually I counted 3,037 individual ladybirds though I'm quite sure I didn't see half of them – I wouldn't mind betting the true number present that morning was over 10,000. There were a number of other insects feeding on the Dandelions too – in fact the vast majority of pollinating insects I've seen this spring have been attending Dandelions. It's time we stopped thinking of Dandelions as weeds and started celebrating them as one of our most important wildflowers for insects. And yes, that includes the ones in your lawns! We can survive without perfectly manicured sterile green outdoor carpets but we can't survive without insects, and many of our important pollinating insects are declining at an alarming rate. Dandelions are especially valuable in early spring when there are relatively few other pollen sources available for insects to feed on.

Ladybirds are types of beetles but tend to get a more favourable reception than other types of beetle. I found a few different beetles at the meadows recently including some flea beetles, a group of insects with large rear thighs encasing big muscles that enable them to jump like fleas. One of the flea beetles I found was a tiny but striking little creature, black with two broad yellowish stripes down its wing cases. The Small Striped Flea Beetle (photo 5) is supposed to be quite common but it was the first time I've found one.

It's nice to see a few more wildflowers coming out now and one that I was especially pleased to find was Rue-leaved



Saxifrage (photo 6). It's not a rare flower but I found it growing on the chapel ruins when I first started the wildlife survey in April 2018 and haven't been able to find it there since. Well it turns out it's smaller than I'd remembered, so maybe I've been overlooking it, but in any case it was nice to find it again after a couple of blank years. It's a lovely little plant, a beautiful white flower on a red stem above a rosette of reddish green leaves with oddly-shaped lobes surrounded by a rim of sticky white hairs.

Why not come along to the meadows yourself and see what you can find. Let us know what you see: email dave@googlemail.com or phone 668431. You can also follow us on Twitter at @ElmhamMeadows or see our recent tweets on the Parish Council website (www.elmham.org.uk/cathedral-meadows/).

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This Time Last Year

The photograph of the painting on the surgery wall was commissioned by the surgery and painted by Charlotte Chapman. This gives everyone who sees it an uplift of spirits, so we decided to use Charlotte's painting as the cover for the June News.

We were all clapping on Thursday evenings, trying to show our appreciation of all the hospitals and carers. In Eastgate Street we were joined by Stephen and Rachel Ballard, two professional musicians who entertained us with their violin and viola. Also on Cathedral Drive and Cedar Close, Paul with his cornet entertained the residents (July News).

This was the month that our posties were delivering our mail in fancy dress. They were raising money for the N & N Hospital, and for the Covid-19 Appeal. Wonder how much was raised?

Ray Norman showed us a photo of a beautiful exotic flower – but what was it?

We paid tribute to Jimmy Brown, who had recently died. Jimmy had been a Parish Councillor for a number of years and was a tireless worker in the village. He tended the garden now named after him, cleared up any litter he found and fixed everything that he found broken or



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damaged. At Parish Council meetings, if he didn't understand he was quick to stop proceedings and ask for clarification.

A number of properties were decorated with flags for VE Day on 8th May even though all celebrations on that day had been cancelled, due to Covid. Some of us had hoped to be able to organise a huge party on the Village Green on 14th August for VJ Day. Sadly, it couldn't happen!





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Tickets are only available in advance and for timed slots making Sculpture in the Valley an outdoor sculpture trail which will allow visitors to socially distance in their own bubble, or household, around the large, spread out grounds of the hall.

Entry is £6 for adults (£5 members of Waveney & Blyth Arts), under 18s are free.

There is free parking and designated disabled parking. Toilets are wheelchair accessible and have nappy changing facilities. A mobility scooter will be available on a first-come, first-served basis. The Yurt Café will be open every day for light lunches, drinks, cakes, and home-made refreshments.

For more information go to www.waveneyandblytharts.com

Gardening Club

By the first of June, it is unarguably summer and in the vegetable garden it is the time to plant out the tender crops, such as squashes, french beans, sweetcorn, chicories, tomatoes and peppers.

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Ensure a bumper harvest of fruit by thinning out heavy crops on apple trees now. Too many fruitlets left in clusters will result in small unripe fruit and diseases may spread more quickly.

A reminder that on the 24th June at 7.30pm our first meeting in the Memorial Hall since our annual dinner in February 2020, which at that time none of us realized what the future months would be like. But hopefully we can look forward to us all enjoying each other's company and monthly meetings. Any new members wishing to join us are most welcome.

Ray

Brisley Cinema

We are pleased to announce the proposed return of Brisley Cinema on Friday 25th June 2021. The chosen film for the day will be *Military Wives* (12A) *Synopsis:* With their partners away serving in Afghanistan, a group of women on the home front form a choir and quickly find themselves at the centre of a media sensation and global movement.

Admission £4.50, Screening at 2.30pm and 7.30pm, doors open 30 minutes before the film begins. Advance Booking essential. Card payment preferred.

Our number one priority is the safety and well-being of all who visit Brisley Village Hall and we are mindful that people's level of confidence in returning to indoor events can vary. When you feel ready to come back to the Cinema, then we will be ready to welcome you.

So for now, if you would like to come on the 25th June please book in advance, Track and Trace details will be required either when making your booking or by scanning the QR code at the venue on the day. Everything is, of course, subject to government guidelines that may be in place on the day of the performance.

Covid has impacted everything and everyone we are conscious that returning to indoor events might be a daunting prospect for many people.

The Village Hall Committee worked tirelessly in creating a safe environment to enable the premises to re-open in 2020 although Cinema was not able to restart due to government restrictions, we have again taken measures so that we comply with all guidelines, to minimize the risk of spreading the infection.

The following measures are in place now so that we can welcome you back.

- Room capacity reduced by 50% to 50. Tables and chairs spaced out to comply with social distancing rules.
- Hand sanitizer stations in place throughout the building.
- Windows open for ventilation
- Single entry into the toilets,
- Seating and tables cleaned between performances.
- QR poster in place for Track and Trace.
- Masks to be worn throughout the performance (currently)
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Some June Dates to Remember

Wed 2nd	Parish Council Meeting	Pavilion	7.30 pm
Sun 6th	Quiz - see advert on page 25	King's Head	5.00 pm
Thu 10th	Wives+ All	Memorial Hall	7.30 pm
Wed 23rd	Annual Parish Meeting	Memorial Hall	7.30 pm
Thu 24th	Gardening Club	Memorial Hall	7.30 pm
Tue 29th	Knit and Natter	Pavilion	2.00 pm
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Thu 1st July	Birthday Meeting for Wives+All	Memorial Hall	7.30 pm
Thu 8th July	Friends & Neighbours	Pavilion	2.00 pm



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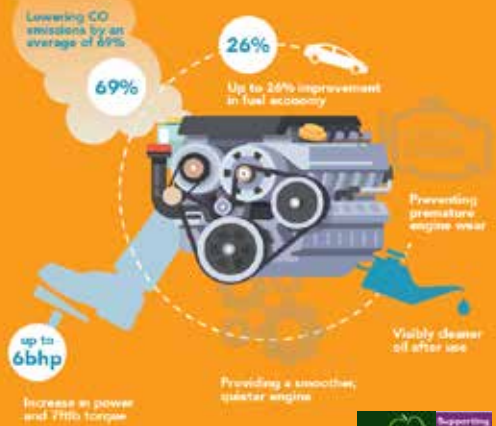
Five fire engines (including an aerial ladder platform), an ambulance, police car and ambulance car rendezvoused in Cathedral Drive and Brookside Close on an early evening in May. Such an array of emergency vehicles is rarely seen in our village.

Thankfully, the homeowners were comparatively safe and only one of them

had to be treated for smoke inhalation and taken to hospital. Their home was destroyed by the fire that raged until it was got under control.

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Dear Friends.

As I write in the first few days of May, outside it is raining, it is cold and we have had the coldest April for 60 years. The thought of warm sunny June days seems to be a long way off. But then June is the first month of summer, when the promise of spring comes to fruition. Our gardens and the countryside are coming into their best.

Over the last fifteen months since the first lockdown began those same gardens and the world of nature, that some have found for the first time, have helped to ease the stress and strain of these strange times.

We must remember though, that living in our rural communities, has meant that we are the lucky ones and have in and our thoughts must be with those who have been isolated perhaps in high rise flats and not able to experience of the joys of nature.

In Matthew chapter 6 verse 26, Jesus tells us to 'look at the birds of the air'. Looking at birds is one of my interests and this spring I have had the pleasure of watching a blue tit, wren and blackbird building nests around our garden. It has been so relaxing and enjoyable. Perhaps some of you have experienced the same.

As we are slowly released from the restrictions of the last year, I sincerely hope that the benefits of communing with the world of nature will not be quickly lost, as we return to some sense of normality.

I hope you will continue to enjoy the countryside around you. If you are able to take a holiday, I hope the sun will shine on you and refresh and relax you.

Remember that God values every living thing on this earth and that includes you.

Norman Johnson
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"The LORD is my rock and my fortress and my deliverer, my God, my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield, and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold and my refuge, my saviour; you save me from violence."

2 Samuel 22:2-3

This month I have commenced a survey researching domestic abuse from within the Christian community. Sadly, like any community, the Christian church is not immune to such an abhorrent practice. There are many statistics banded about, but behind each of those statistics is a real person, with a real story to tell, real pain that has been lived through, and lessons that the Church needs to learn.

Obviously, domestic abuse is not just a problem within the Christian church, but within all areas of life; young or old, rich or poor, career people or stay at home people.

For people who have been badly let down by the Christian church in regards to domestic abuse - I say sorry. Sorry that

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To all those who have been abused, Christian or not, I reach out to you. Do not suffer in silence. There is help out there and I can help you find it. The Lord, who does not condone such abhorrent practices, promises to hear your cry and rescue you: "In my distress I called upon the LORD; to my God I called. From his temple he heard my voice, and my cry came to his ears" (2 Samuel 22:7)

'He rescued me from my strong enemy, from those who hated me, for they were too mighty for me.' 2 Sam. 22:18

Your abuser may seem strong. Your abuser may seem unstoppable. But your abuser cannot outrun God.

To the broken Jesus stretches out His gentle hand and invites you to take hold. As you do, He will pull you free. The way out may be bumpy and painful, but He will hold you close as He sets you down on solid ground; free.

If you have experienced domestic or spiritual abuse within a Christian context and would like to share your story anonymously, please do so here: <https://sprw.io/stt-afaa0c>

If you would like to know more about Jesus and explore how He can help, we are running Life Explored and Christianity Explored courses in the near future via zoom. To find out more, get in touch.

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Worthing News

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We all hope that after the horrendous months dealing with Covid-19, the pandemic and various stages of lockdowns and restrictions, we are gradually opening up and visiting family and friends.

Out of necessity and keeping everyone safe from harm, we all have learnt to do things differently. In some instances, we shan't be returning to the "normal routine" that we cherish but now need to embrace some change for everyone's welfare and benefit.

With that in mind, St Margaret's Church is trialling a shift in changing our pattern of Sunday Services and the way we keep in touch with you all. Also, to remember and include everyone not just those attending church, but to understand and respect everyone's personal feelings around faith, different faiths or no faith. So perhaps the time is right to do something differently. So, what will be changing or not?

Normally we have two Sunday Services i.e. 2nd Sunday of the month 9.30 am Holy Communion and 4th Sunday in the month 11.00 am Morning Praise.

We propose a trial starting in June:

2nd Sunday in the month, 10.30 am Holy Communion led by our Team Rector, The Rev'd Sally Kimmis

4th Sunday in the month, starting at 3.00 pm led by our Lay Licensed Minister Norman Johnson & Celia Daniel Church Warden to "Join in the Conversation" followed by a "mini" Sunday Service for those that wish time for quiet reflection and prayer in church.

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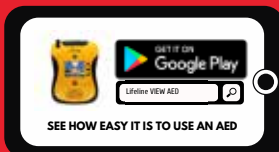


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when we shall be sharing our thoughts or comments on a topical piece of news for example: Climate Change, The Church, Wildlife & Nature, NHS, Our Community, What's On, Help & Support. So we would like to hear from you on any topical news you wish to share with the group. Weather permitting, this will be in the church yard or inside if wet. And visitors may slip away after tea if they prefer or join Norman & Celia for the start of our "mini" service.

So the dates to remember are:

Sunday 13th June 10.30 am Holy Communion

Sunday 27th June 3pm "Join in the Conversation with Afternoon Tea"

We hope you are able to join us however, if you do have any queries, please let me know. Keep safe and well everyone – Celia ((tel: 01362 668247 temporary no.)

Church Services in June (Heart of Norfolk Group)

6th June

9.15 am	Stibbard All Saints	Holy Communion
10.30 am	Bawdeswell All Saints	Holy Communion + Zoom
10.30 am	Foulsham Holy Innocents	Holy Communion
10.30 am	North Elmham St Mary	Holy Communion

13th June

10.30 am	Bawdeswell All Saints	'The 10.30'
10.30 am	Foulsham Holy Innocents	Holy Communion + Zoom
10.30 am	Worthing St Margaret	Holy Communion

20th June

10.30 am	Bawdeswell All Saints	All-Age Communion + Zoom
10.30 am	North Elmham St Mary	Holy Communion
10.30 am	Wood Norton All Saints	Holy Communion
4.00 pm	Foulsham Holy Innocents	Sung Evensong

27th June

10.30 am	Bawdeswell All Saints	Word & Praise
10.30 am	Foulsham Holy Innocents	Holy Communion
10.30 am	North Elmham St Mary	Morning Praise + Zoom
3.00 pm	Worthing St Margaret	'Join in the Conversation', with Tea

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