# The Villager

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The community newsletter for Mapledurwell Up Nately, Nately Scures and Newnham

### D-DAY 80TH ANNIVERSARY **COMMEMORATION SERVICE**

The United Parish service to commemorate the 80th anniversary of the D-day landings will be held at St Nicholas' Newnham at 10am on Sunday 9th June.

Everyone is encouraged to attend; this is a service for the community to mark this important anniversary. If you are currently or have been a member of our forces you are invited to wear uniform if you wish to do so.

In place of a sermon, Alan Richmond will be speaking about the D-day landings. We look forward to gathering the community together to mark this event. Revd Debbie Veel



**Church Fete** 2.00pm Saturday 8<sup>th</sup>June The Old Vicarage **Church Street Upton Grey** 

Tombola/ Raffle

White Elephant/Garden plants/Books

Cakes/Cream teas/Ice creams

**Pimms/Toys** 

**Brass band/Punch & Judy** 

**Children's Games/Classic Cars** 

Admittance £2/ Under 14 free

Parking on Church Meadow Church Street

## D- Day 80th **Commemoration Service**

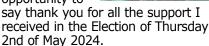


St Nicholas, Newnham Sunday 9th June at 10am

> WARD COUNCILLOR **SHEENA** GRASSI

'Thank you for election support.'

I would like to take this opportunity to



It was an amazing result 1,564 votes from all over the ward of Basing and Upton Grey. I would also like to thank everyone for the tremendous help over the last few months.

I consider it a huge honour to represent this amazing Ward and shall fight hard for all our community at all times.

Please don't hesitate to contact me on 07561 060596 or email Cllr.Sheena.Grassi@basingstoke.gov.uk

**NEWNHAM NOVELS** Next book sale Saturday 01 June 2-4pm in Newnham Clubroom.



Bring with you any books you have read and are happy to donate; buy others for 50p each.

> 100s to choose from plus tea/coffee & cakes.

Mapledurwell & Up Nately

#### NOTES FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL AGM

The first AGM of a new four-year term, following uncontested elections. The Parish Council continues with Councillors Hugo Cubitt, Suzie Horsey, Kevin Rafferty, Colin Robertson, Alison Stent. Hugo Cubitt was re-elected Chairman for the coming year.

Parish Councillor roles: Hugo, Planning, Up Nately Green; tennis courts; Suzie, most things Up Nately incl Green (joint); Kevin, finance and playground; Colin, tree warden, allotments, chalk stream; Alison, village hall grounds and most things for Mapledurwell upkeep.

BDBC election results
Conservatives 16; Labour
11; Liberal Democrats 11
B&D Independents 10;
Independent 3; Greens 2;
Women's Equality Party 1.
BDBC continues with joint adminstration of
Independents and Liberals supported by Labour.
Congratulations to our new Ward Councillor Sheena
Grassi (Independent).

**Hampshire PCC** Police & Crime Commissioner Donna Jones re-elected.

**Year end accounts** and AGAR (Annual Governance and Accountability Return) signed in readiness for audit.

Local byways (BOATs – byways open to all traffic) have become a magnet for criminal users particularly centred on Five Lanes End – including trespass, criminal damage, poaching (hares killed with lead shot) with a big impact on landowners, all wildlife, police resources, the condition of, and other users of, the bywayss.

Landowners, County Cllr and Parish Councils are engaging with HCC Countryside Services to urgently request they rethink their strategy on seasonal closures of the byways to motorised traffic.

**Playground** – Scheduled work to clean, and repair gate, fences, re-fill bark pit.

**Tennis courts** CIL funding received to be allocated to resurfacing as priority.



www.mapledurwellvillagehall.co.uk

Mapledurwell & Up Nately Village Hall Team invite you to celebrate Mid Summer by joining us for quizzing at the Village Hall on 28 June 6.30pm

Quizmaster – Steve Chapman Tickets £7.50 per person, to include glass of fizz and nibbles.

Six to eight people per table

(if you need to be put in a team

let us know) Cash Bar (wine, beer etc)

Prizes for winning table and best dressed table
Pre booking needed so we can plan.
If you would like to join the fun,
please order your tickets by 21 June.

Contact Heather Ramsdale 07552 506898 ramsdaleheather21@gmail.com

#### **PARISH ASSEMBLY NOTES**

The Chairman welcomed all to the Assembly, 25 residents plus the new Parish Council and guests. To thank Tom Horsey who was the longest serving Parish Councillor on our team, it was good he was able to stay up to now to support us; the vacancy was widely advertised and very pleased Suzie Horsey has agreed to join.

**PCSO Andy Jones** said that, taking the bigger picture, it is very quiet here, and in Newnham. Though have had issues centred on Five Lanes End and the byways. The police do have vehicles for byways, but have to be careful with them, not able to race like those unlawfully using the lanes.

To raise a general issue which is becoming and more common. Young people being asked for images of themselves and then blackmailed; this is involving thousands of people, often too embarrassed to come forward.

As often discussed, to push for everyone to please report crime. Call 999 for a live incident which requires immediated attendance. Otherwise the number to call is 101. Ok 101 has its good days and bad days; as an alternative online reporting does work wonderfully well. We ask the public to

report anything suspicious, to please tell us what going on. Computer programmes and websites have their frailties too, but it's not hard to bear with the system and submit a report.

Appreciate difficulties when urban officers / inexperienced officers attend a rural incident. Constant feedback is appreciated, thank you.

**The Parish Lengthsman** scheme has been put to good use, clearing grips, cleaning road signs and repairing the bus stop (in case). Let us know anything else in terms of Village Upkeep you feel needs doing. Highways issues please report on HCC website.

**Planning** There has been as always a variety of planning applications, all documented in the *Villager*. One application, dismissed at Appeal, is worthy of note because the Inspector referred to the importance of the rural gap separating Mapledurwell and the developed area beyond the M3.

BDBC Council Leader Cllr Paul Harvey and Cllr Andy Konieczko came out to a Parish Council meeting in November and gave an informative insight into the workings of the Local Plan Update. The Friends St Mary's did an amazing job of organising the clearing and re-

lining of the Mapledurwell pond.

**Playground** has a new picnic bench thanks to Ward Cllr Community grant.

**Trees** – The commemoration apple trees at the recreation ground have a lot of blosson, a Tree Wardens' message to say scrumping is invited! Colin Robertson has taken over this last year as Tree Warden from John Maclean. A Small Leaved Lime planted as a Coronation tree. Thanks to County Councillor Elaine Still for grant funding for this and four new fruit trees at the allotments.

**Allotment** plots all taken at the moment but no waiting list and potential for change. If interested for now or future please get in contact.

Our resident beekeeper is hoping for a kinder year after losing hives last year to late cold spell and snow. Continued thanks to Colin Trussler who mows the allotment paths. Willow coppicing done and work to take down storm damaged branches. Resulting brash used in the chalk stream to create new banking.

**Frog Lane** The Waterside site foreman will be looking to reinstate the verges in the summer.

**Thank you to the Canal Society** for an engaging presentation, see https://basingstoke-canal.org.uk/about/the-canal/the-last-5-miles/

#### **UP NATELY NEWS**

Huge congratulations to Sean and Charlotte Stephenson of St Stephens Close, on the birth of their son Kit, a new playmate for Rosie and Matilda. Welcome to the village Kit!

The next coffee and chat morning will be hosted by Jane at Beavers, 5th July, 10-12 noon, 01256 763649, young and old are welcome! Moira will be our host in September.

#### PARISH ASSEMBLY NOTES cont...

Ward Councillor Onnalee Cubitt is Cabinet Member for Major Projects and Regeneration. The Independents had a successful election increasing their number of seats along with the Liberal Democrats. Politics not relevant to how the Council is run, which about the borough common good, putting community first; goal is rebuilding trust, renewing democracy.

Having been portfolio holder for a year, found how frustrating it can be. So much want to do, pull all the levers and find corresponding actions don't happen. But have achieved a lot, Paul Harvey is outstanding leader, Cabinet full of bright people, so in a good place but a lot of challenges.

Andy Konieczko Cabinet Member for Strategic Planning and Infrastructure is running the Local Plan update with great attention to detail while testing the law; message from two sets of KCs and the housing minister that emphatically BDBC does not have constraints or exceptional circumstances to justify a reduction in housing numbers. The whole country faces equivalent challenges.

One good thing Gove did was to enable the NPPF amended requirement for a land supply of four years once reached published Reg 18 draft with sufficient allocated sites. BDBC has c4.1, so that does help improve the weight of our housing policies. BDBC didn't have the previously required five-year land supply as not built out strategic sites. Looking to Manydown, if have to build, at least let's build houses that are beautiful and deliver communities that work on all levels. For Manydown North, heads of terms signed in October, not yet finally signed off. HCC has 50% of the option, they are the infrastructure provider, all aware HCC is in dire financial straights.

Re education, roads, fire, police, we cannot enable these facilities, County matters are outside our remit, we have work out a way through.

Sheena Grassi from Litchpit is our new Ward Councillor: Together with Kate Tuck from Old Basing, the three of us cover the nuclei of our ward. Thank you to everyone who voted in the Local Elections.

#### FROM THE ARCHIVES

Following the open event in the Village Hall to see all the parish history documents, the Villager will feature selected document from the achive

#### MAPLEDURWELL DESTRUCTIVE FIRE 1881

as reported in the Hants and Berks Gazette

A calamity, consisting of the destruction of four farmsteads, has occurred here during the week. On Tuesday 15 July 1881, about 3.30pm, smoke was seen issuing from a shed on one of the farms occupied by Mr HB Thorpe. In the village there were four farm homesteads, the extreme southern one being tenanted by Mr Thorpe, and the northern one being in the occupation of J Addison Esq, the whole of the property belonging to Corpus Christi College.

At the time named, Mr Ridgers (subtenant of Manor Farm, under GH Lamb) was in one of his fields with some women haymaking, when one of them cried 'Oh! There's my house on fire!' They all left the field to find that it was not the cottage of the frightened woman that was on fire, but one on Mr Thorpe's farm, occupied by Mm Gary and her family. Mr Ridgers, being the neighbouring resident, he at once got his stock, consisting of a horse, two fat heifers and two calves safely away. A messenger was dispatched by Mr Addison to Basingstoke for the fire engine, and he urged his steed forward with such praiseworthy haste that it is said he reached the town in the unprecedentedly short space of 10 minutes!

The Brigade were equally deserving of praise for the manner in which

they responded to the call of duty; for in 50 minutes from the time the fire was first noticed the Brigade were in the village with their engine. But the destroying element had in that short time done fearful damage. The recent dry weather and scorching sun had so prepared the way for destruction that when once the fire had gained a hold it swept along the straw farmyard and across the roofs of the farm buildings with astounding rapidity. The flames leapt and danced in wildest confusion and the little village which nestles in a quiet wooded valley, beautified by the meandering Loddon, was enveloped in smoke. The heat waxed to an intense degree as the flames danced from homestead to homestead, and ran along the combustible farmyards; and the roar of the fire as the flames shot up between the

never be forgotten.

The fruitful valley, abounding with vegetable life; orchards and gardens filled with fruit trees and growing crops; every variety of implement of husbandry; barns and granaries plenteously stocked, presents a sickening aspect, and is now a scene of devastation and ruin...

treetops, scorching the branches,

viewed either near or from afar, will

was truly fearful, the sight, as

To be continued next issue

# PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

24/01104/ROC (Validated 23 May) Paw Paddock, St Marys Church Road. Variation of con 10 of 18/02435/FUL to remove the max two persons per hour and 20 persons per day restriction, and apply in its place a restriction of a max of two cars per visit and four dogs per visit.

**24/01063/ROC** (Validated 09 May) Riverview House, London Road. Variation of Con 1 of 22/02416/FUL to allow design alterations.

**24/00756/FUL** (Validated 16 April) Land North of Parrotts, Greywell Road. Four detached dwellings, with garages, vehicular access, parking, amenity

space and landscaping.

**24/00518/HSE** (Granted 28 May) 3 Canal Reach, Andwell. Single storey rear/side wraparound extension and alterations, alternative to 21/03028/HSE.

**24/00319/FUL** (Grant 17 May) Sheraton, Tunworth Rd. Replacement garage.

**24/00289/LBC** (Granted 09 May) Mead House, Heather Row. Two single storey rear extensions.

23/02103/FUL (Pending 18 August) Land Adjacent to Twine Rose Cottage, Heather Lane. Demolition of outbuilding; erection of new dwelling with garage.

**22/02210/RET** (Pending 05 Aug 2022) Priory

Farmhouse. Variation of Con 2 of 15/04301/FUL for continued use Class E children's nursery to 2032.

#### **APPEAL IN PROGRESS**

APP/H1705/W/23/**3326507** & **3326513** (in progress). Blaegrove Cottage. Single storey rear extension incl works to rear garden and new retaining wall.

# TREE APPLICATIONS T/00204/24/TCA

(Approve 21 May) The Old Post Office, Kembers Lane. 1. Reduce conifer height from 14m to 9m to below phone line. 2. Yew tree, crown reduction overall 2-3m leaving height and spread of 7m x 5m. 3. Yew tree, crown reduction by overall 4m leaving height and spread of 10m.

# St John's Cottages Centenary For the Hook Cottage Society

For those who do not know, St John's Cottages are the group of eight white semi-detached dwellings (four pairs of cottages) at RG27 9NQ in Newnham Road. From Old School Road, across the Kingsbridge and turning right, the cottages are on the left. The Centenary date we

are celebrating is somewhat arbitrary as the cottages began life in 1923 and were completed in 1924.

The managing committee for 'Hook Cottage Society' has chosen for the Centenary the weekend following the Summer Solstice and prior to 24th June, Midsummer's day. Also influencing choice of year is the monument (between cottages 4 and 5) which commemorates the completion of the buildings and is dated 1924.

The Latin phrase at the foot of the monument attributed to Ovid, reads finis coronat opus

At the turn of the 20th century two of the principal landowners in the area were military officers, Lieutenant Colonel Charles Edward Harris-St John DSO (Distinguished Service Order), of Sheldons in the Parish of Newnham, and a Lieutenant Colonel Alfred Henry Carter of Oaklands, Newnham Road [then also in Newnham]. Lt Col Carter married three times and his first wife Mrs KM Carter – together with the two aforementioned gentlemen (and others) – was key to the birth of St John's Cottages *viz* Hook Cottage Society Ltd.

Mrs Carter was the driving force and keen to promote an idea that marked the end of the Great War and was to provide a permanent memorial to that War – to assist returning veterans and local people with housing. There was a meeting held in the Band Hall; attending were Lt Col and Mrs Carter, Lt Col Harris-St John and a number of local dignitaries plus members of local councils. The meeting was opened by Lt Col Carter as Chairman of the already formed Society. A newspaper cutting from November 10, 1923, details the meeting and those attending.

It was a wide-ranging meeting and not all those attending were in agreement, especially concerning the financial viability. Nonetheless the building of eight semi-detached cottages along Newnham Road was ultimately agreed. The land upon which they stand was given to the Society by Lt Col Harris-St John. The money came largely from Lt Col Carter and his close friends and associates and by the issuance of £1 shares in the Society with a limit of £500 per shareholder. The Society also proposed to issue £3,000 of Loan Stock with an interest rate of 4.5%.

The rules governing the Society were those formulated by the Garden Cities and Town Planning Association and governed by the Industrial & Provident Societies Act of 1893. Sometime later this Act became subsumed into the Co-operative & Community Benefit Societies Act then of 2010 and now 2014.



Lt Col Alfred Henry Carter taken in 1915 prior to his leaving for the front

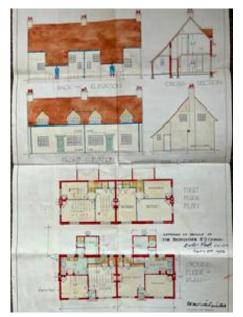
The Cottages were designed by a Mr Robert Weir of Grays Inn Square, London, circa 3rd quarter 1923 and approved by Basingstoke Rural District Council on 21st September 1923. From the Society minutes of November 1923 and also mentioned in the press cutting, the purchase price of a Cottage was set at £450 (equivalent to £344,000 in today's money).

## St John's Cottages circa 1930s

As it transpired, the cottages were intended for leasing and the rent at that time was set at 10/6 (10 shillings and sixpence) per week (52.5p in new money). The selection of tenants for the cottages was by way of general advertisement and interested parties submitted an application to the Society. The committee



then interviewed the prospective tenants and offers were made appropriately.



Moving forward to a committee meeting held 31st May 1972, a proposal to add a utility room and bathroom to each cottage was discussed. Three tenders were received and one selected for a two-storey extension to the rear of each property to provide for a toilet and utility room on the ground floor and a bathroom above. The cost for four pairs of cottages was £11,448 and this was funded by a combination of a grant and a loan from Hartley Wintney RDC (Rural District Council). All tenants were informed and only a Mrs Purdue of No 8 declined the improvements.

Between then and now the cottages have been maintained by use of funds from the rental income for items deemed to relate to the basic fabric of the cottages, and by individual tenants using their own money to improve gardens, add conservatories, garages and the like.

The longest continuous link to the past goes back three generations, roughly to 1936 via those in Cottages 4 and 5.



St John's Cottages taken at the time of the Queens Platinum Jubilee, hence the bunting

Finally, the Latin phrase on the monument, this translates as:  $The \ end \ crowns \ the \ work$ 

Chris Alliston for Hook Cottage Society Sources: *Ann Pitcher's Book of Hook* A newspaper cutting of 10/11/1923

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A Social History of Newnham at www.history.ac.uk/sites/default/files/file-uploads/2019-08/004\_newnham\_social\_history\_june\_2019.pdf, Hook Cottage Society archives

Cottage photos courtesy of Memories of St John's FB (Mandi Smith)

# Newnham & Nately Scures

# D- Day 80th Commemoration Service



St Nicholas, Newnham Sunday 9th June at 10am

#### 'OCCASIONALS' SERVICES AT ST NICHOLAS' NEWNHAM

To trial some informal services at St Nicholas' during the Summer:

#### Sunday 23 June 4pm Sunday 28 July 4pm

The services will be family-friendly, but they are for all ages, not specifically aimed at children.

Depending on uptake we may run further ones in Summer 2025. If you have any idea of things you would like eg Pet Service, Songs of Praise, please do let me know.

Revd Debbie Veel debbie@moretolife.church 07399 129210.

#### PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS

Newnham Parish Council held a brief May AGM (following uncontested elections); the Agenda items including only that the new Parish Council sign declarations of office and elect a Chairman for 2024/25.

The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday 10 June from 7pm at the Iron Bull. All welcome.

# NEWNHAM COMMUNITY'S



The May results are:-

£100 - Carolyn and Andy Peck (25) £50 - Melanie Christopher (10) £25 - Joanna Bell (4)

Thanks to the Revd Debz for drawing the numbers Carolyn Bell

#### PARISH PLANNING APPLICATIONS

**24/01107/FUL** (Validated 24 May 2024) Land At The Barracks. Erection of a detached dwellinghouse with associated parking and amenity space.

**24/01058/HSE** (Validated 17 May 2024) Wisteria Cottage, Ridge Lane Newnham. Erection of a two storey rear extension, first floor extension, front porch, alterations to fenestration and removal of side chimney. Installation of solar panels and 'flat' lantern to hidden part of roof and new roof over existing garage.

**24/00882/LBC** (Pending 16 Apr 2024) Nightingale Cottage, Heather Row. Demolition of existing south entrance porch, changes to fenestration, and erection of new porch with access ramp in revised position. Alterations to existing conservatory and replacement of glass roof with tiled roof. Various internal and external alterations.

**24/00715/FUL** (Pending 26 Mar 2024) Land At Blackstocks Lane. Erection of 1no. dwelling with associated garage, landscaping and a new access (Part retrospective).

**24/00712/FUL** (Pending 26 Mar 2024) Land East Of Naishes Barn) Erection of agricultural barn with hard surface apron and extended access track.

24/00681/LBC (Pending 02 Apr 2024) Cromwells. The Barracks. Replacement of 2 no, rotten timber frame wall posts and ties with new oak. 24/00630/HSE (Validated 18 Mar 2024) Gables, Newnham Road. Proposed erection of replacement detached garage following removal of existing garage.

**23/02722/FUL** (Pending 02 Nov) Land East Of Keepers, London Road, Nately Scures. The erection of 3no. detached dwellinghouses together with associated new access, car parking, drainage and hard and soft landscaping.

**23/02203/TDC** (Grant 03 May) Land At The Barracks. Technical Details Consent for the erection of four new homes in accordance with Permission in Principle 23/00347/PIP.

**22/02097/FUL** (Refuse 15 May) Nately Scures House, Scures Hill. New detached house, garage and access.

#### **LODGE FARM WAREHOUSING**

23/02242/PREAPP (Awaiting decision, validated 09 October 2023) Lodge Farm, Hook Road, North Warnborough, Odiham Parish. Preapplication enquiry re circa 105,000 sqm GIA of commercial logistics floorspace (Use Class B2/B8) with ancillary office accommodation, associated car parking provision, plus landscaping and highway works.

## Church Notices

'Journeying together, we worship God and serve the community' www.united-parish.org.uk https://www.moretolife.church

From the Parish Registers

Baptism: Heidi Checketts at St Mary's Greywell on 5th May

Wedding: Gemma Newman and Stephen Richardson at St Mary's Greywell on 18th May



#### From the Benefice Ministry Team

How odd is your Vicar? An important and satisfying question to ask, I think.

The Church of England has a rich history of decidedly odd clergy. Some of whom were odd in a 'that's quite quaint' sort of way and others who were odd in a manner that bordered on criminal or requiring medical intervention. The country Parson is part of the broader tradition of English eccentricity and the desire to disrupt a culture bound by complex rules, or perhaps the desire to find something to do amidst the perpetual drizzle.

Take for example the Rev Robert Hawker, Rev Hawker (1803-1875) had a dual calling to be both a Priest and a mermaid. Never one to neglect his calling(s), however unlikely, he fashioned a wig out of seaweed, wrapped an oilskin around his legs and then, every evening, rowed a boat out into Bude harbour where he sat on a rock and sang. This unusual behaviour continued for a time until eventually, perhaps out of boredom or due to the increasingly cold weather, Rev Hawker substituted his mermaid song for a stirring rendition of the national anthem, jumped into the water and swam back home.

Having completed his Curacy in Bude, the aquatic clergyman took up the Incumbency of Morwenstow where, devoid of supervision, he could indulge his eccentricity to his heart's content. Although no longer wearing seaweed wigs, the Vicar was often spotted wearing a bright purple coat, a blue fisherman's jersey and red trousers. He lived with a collection of 10 cats who would follow him into church, until one Sunday one of his feline housemates was publicly excommunicated for mousing on the Sabbath. continued

continued...

If you happen to go to Morwenstow today you can still visit 'Hawker's Hut' – the smallest property owned by the National Trust and built by Rev Robert Hawker, a national treasure.

Or we might look to the Rev Thomas Patten, who also combined two vocations, as a Priest and a smuggler. Vicar of Seasalter near Whistable, Patten was famous for preaching incredibly long sermons which would only end when a member of the congregation offered to buy him drinks in the local pub – at which point he would speak a rushed Blessing, leave the pulpit and head to the bar.

Not content with extorting booze from his parishioners, Patten became an informer for a group of local smugglers, who in return for information about the whereabouts of the local authorities would keep his Vicarage well stocked in fine wine, brandy and contraband tobacco. After 53 years as Vicar of the parish, Patten died, and a memorial to him exists in the church to this day.

Now as I look around the team of clergy and lay readers who support the ministry of the North Hampshire Downs Benefice I am relieved to say that none of us think we are mermaids, preach to cats or are members of local smuggling rackets. We are all, however, from different backgrounds and come with different experiences of life. We are united by a desire to love our remarkable local communities and build up the life of our churches so that increasingly our lives radiate with the love and grace of God.

All of this brings me to an observation, namely this: that God calls the most surprising and varied bunch of people to ministry of all shapes and sizes and that there is no-one that God cannot use in his service.

Even the 'rough diamonds' and the outright oddities find a new home in God and a place in which fulfilment in calling can be found. Our two odd clergy noted above were certainly unusual, but, despite their eccentricities and proclivity for illegal importing of goods, they were loved by their parishioners. Probably I suspect because the clergy in question loved them too.

PS: if you do have strong opinions on the original question of 'How odd is your Vicar?' it might be best to keep them relatively quiet.

PPS: if you sense God is calling you to ministry then your local Vicar is always happy to chat. Less so if you feel called to be a mermaid.

Rev Simon Butler (Benefice Rector)



Helen Chatfield Youth Pastor

More to Life network of Churches North Hampshire Downs Benefice

# KIDZONE

Hi everyone!

I wonder, has your mum or dad ever left you somewhere, and as they got in the car called out to you 'Be good!'? We've all been there and, let's face it, we all knew exactly what they meant. They meant 'listen to what they tell you', 'don't cause trouble', 'be polite'... And, assuming we wanted to make our parents happy, we did these things. We were good. We are in the middle of learning about the fruit of the spirit, and this month it's all about goodness. So, what is this all about? As Jesus was taken up to heaven, did he lean off the cloud and call out to his disciples 'Be Good!' No, of course not!

This kind of goodness is not really something we can choose to do on our own – remember the fruit of the spirit is the fruit that grows in

our hearts the more we get to know God. So, how can we be good?

Take a look at this video... It's our

favourite Saddleback Kids version of the story of Zacchaeus – you know, the little guy who climbed a tree, to catch a glimpse of Jesus? Can you recognise Jesus being 'good' in this story?

Zacchaeus didn't really have any friends. He wasn't really liked by

many people because he didn't do very nice things. He took a lot of money from people when he shouldn't have and this made them unhappy with him.

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Even though Jesus was really popular in that town and Zacchaeus really wasn't, Jesus still chose to hang out with him and Jesus made it clear to Zacchaeus that he was his friend! He stopped what he was doing and took time to talk to Zacchaeus. He even wanted to come to his house!

It was because Zacchaeus realised that he was loved by Jesus and saw His goodness that he was able to start loving other people and being kind to them. So he promised Jesus that he would give back all of the money he took from everyone...and even give them extra! He chose to show goodness to others and do the right thing by being very generous!

The same thing happens to us. When we remember all the good things God has done for us, goodness grows in our hearts. When we face a choice of how to behave, we choose to be good. When someone needs us to press pause on our day and help them out, we are ready!

God Bless and see you next time! Helen C

#### **CHURCH SERVICES JUNE INTO JULY**

**Sunday 02 June** 9am St Mary's Mapledurwell, CW Holy Communion 11am St Mary's Greywell, Songs of Praise

**Sunday 09 June** 10am St Nicholas' Newnham, United Parish D-Day 80th

**Sunday 16 June** 9am St Mary's Greywell, CW Holy Communion 11am St Mary's Mapledurwell, Informal Service 5pm St Swithun's Nately Scures, Evensong

**Sunday 23 June** 10am St Nicholas' Newnham, BCP Holy Communion 4pm St Nicholas' Newnham, 'Summer Occasionals' service 5pm St Stephen's Up Nately, Hymns & Pimms

**Sunday 30 June** 9.30am All Saints' Odiham, Benefice CW Holy Communion 11am All Saints' Odiham, Benefice Informal Service

**Sunday 07 July** 9am St Mary's Mapledurwell CW Holy Communion 11am St Mary's Greywell, Morning Worship

# **General Practice Community Mental Health Day**

Tuesday 4th June (11:00-16:00)



#### Whitewater Loddon Primary Care Network

Representing our three partner practices; Whitewater Health (Hook & Hartley Wintney), Chineham Medical Practice and Clift Surgery, we are delighted to invite our patients to our Community Mental Health Day, to talk to our healthcare professionals, GPs and support services:

- √ "Eating Disorders & Carers" family guidance through ED
- "Home Start" family support for young children with MH issues
- "Andover Mind Crisis Team" support for anyone with MH issues
- "Art Well" using creative activities to improve MH
- "Mindfulness" cognitive therapy support group
- "Home Instead" care for older people in their own homes
- "Romsey Community Services" support employment opportunities
- "Smoke Free Hampshire" smoking cessation
- "Inclusion" alcohol and drug addiction support
- "Chameleon Coaching" ADHD & Autism support
- "Southern Health" Psychological Therapist
- "Autism Hampshire" advice guidance and training
- "Fluid Motion Theatre Company" wellbeing through art and theatre "British Red Cross" Health & Care and Social Prescribing
- "Health MoT & Vaccine Vehicle"

"Healthcare Connecting with the Wider Community to Empower Patients & Practices"



#### ALL WELCOME!!

**Drop in** throughout the day! Listen to our talks! Speak to our advisors!

11:00-12:00 "Depression and Anxiety"

**13:00-14:00** "A Drop of Drink - What's The Harm"

14:30-15:30 "ADHD, Stress & Burnout"

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Tickets £30 per person available at www.stmichaelshospice.org.uk Please email janelyons@talktalk.net if you would like to attend.

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Gillian Taylor speaking on 'Roses'.

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