

THE Farncombe Villager

ST JOHN'S PARISH CHURCH



AT LAST - THEIR CROWNING GLORY

On the 6th May Charles III became our oldest new monarch when he was crowned King, with Queen Camilla by his side.

If a coronation mirrors a monarch's reign and our changing times, what did King Charles's multi-faith, multilingual service featuring a "hummable" anthem, a "homage of the people" and a blended but broken family, say about the new Carolean age?

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Even the spotless blue and yellow carpet of the coronation theatre in which King Charles and Queen Camilla were crowned brought a contemporary feel to proceedings - but in a happy diplomatic coincidence, they were also the colours of the Ukrainian Flag.



St JOHN'S 41st SPRING FAIR - BEST EVER

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From the Rectory



The great Anglican spiritual director who lived for many years in Wolseley Road, Fr Reginald Somerset Ward, once wrote 'I always wish that in the Gospels we had more detailed accounts of Our Lord's holidays. It is certain as a matter of principle that He took holidays. I am sure that they must have been full of joy and unselfishness; but the details would have been a great help'. This is probably as close as Fr Somerset Ward ever got to a joke, but I'm sure he meant it as well. Due to the Coronation, three out of five Mondays this month will have been holidays and I hope you will have been able to enjoy them suitably.

Thursday 18th May was Ascension Day, a great occasion in the Church calendar but one which tends to get left out nowadays. One of the congregation at the evening service at St John's remembered how all the local schoolchildren where she grew up had a day off for Ascension Day which of course made it rather easier to get to the local church at some point - not that I'm sure even a similar gesture would have the same effect now!

One of the charges the Puritans in the 16th and 17th centuries made against the medieval Church was that it encouraged people to spend

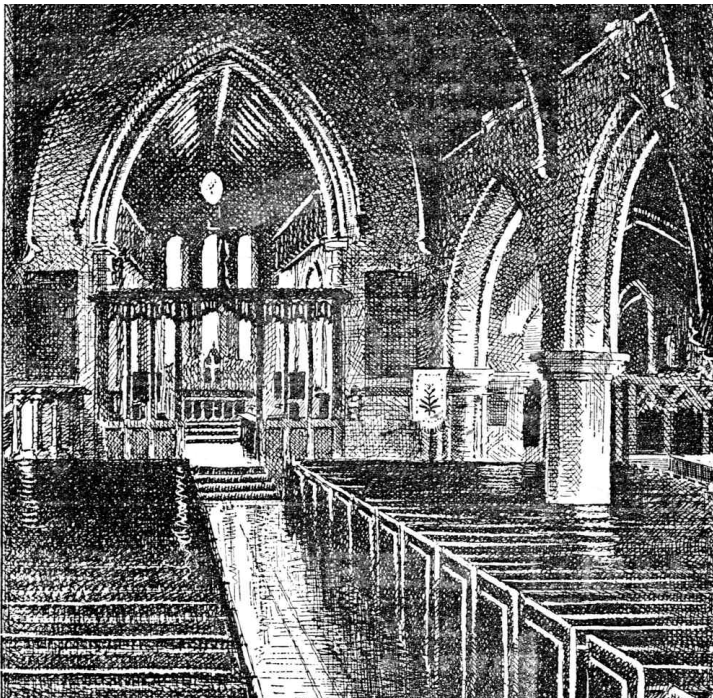
too much time not working. With all the feast days and celebrations scattered through the year, so many days were lost when productive work could have been done and money made. Thankfully over time the Church remembered that human beings need more time to themselves than just spending most of one day a week in church, and so events such as Ascension Day once again became a holiday, at least for schoolchildren. Eventually the State began to legislate for people to have breaks from work, and our secular Bank Holidays and statutory time off reflect the fact that, as in so much, ordinary society has taken over from the Church important things that help to make life better for people. That's not a bad thing: it shows that the Church has succeeded.

Fr Somerset Ward insisted that there were three priorities in life: prayer first, rest and recreation second, and work third. Of course holidays only make any sense if you have work to contrast them with, but the Church of Jesus Christ has always believed that human life needs that balance and has worked to make sure that people get it - even if we're unlikely ever to know anything about Jesus's vacations. Enjoy yours, whenever they come.

James Rector

SOME CHURCH HISTORY

A PICTURE FROM THE PAST



We're grateful to Ruth Jansen of Elstead who recently passed us two old copies of the parish magazine from 1955 and 1956. The older one has this sketch of the inside of the church on the cover, which we don't remember seeing before. The old chancel screen (moved in the 1970s) and the pulpit (dismantled in the 1980s) can be seen, but we think the artist has exercised some artistic licence as far as the pews are concerned, as there doesn't seem to be a way to get into them!

CLOCKED



On Saturday April 1st Revd Zachary Allen, retired vicar of Rustington in Sussex, stopped on a cycle ride to visit St John's. His father was curate here in the early 1950s and when Zachary was born in 1952 his parents gave a clock to the vestry in thanksgiving for his safe arrival (Zachary's father had an interest in clocks). The clock doesn't work any more, but we are delighted to know its history. There is a very faded label on it recording it as 'given by Zachary Allen', so clearly he was a precocious child.

SPRING FAIR - Farncombe at its best

The Spring Fair on 20th May was held at St John's Church and was very well attended with many people coming out to enjoy the sunshine and the opportunity to meet friends and discover lots of unexpected local talents.

The variety of stalls was very interesting, ranging from tombolas and raffles to seasonal plants, crafts of many sorts and local groups displaying some of the work they do to help the community, from Good Neighbours, whose volunteers drive those in need to hospital and other appointments, to the Farncombe Initiative and the Royal Air Force Cadets. There were plenty of indoor and outdoor games for the younger visitors to enjoy and a splendid display of items of local and national historical interest.

Mr Whippy was kept busy in the sunshine as were the Burger bar and the sandwich and cake stalls. Having the Quiet Garden for the outdoor stalls and activities is a great asset and it was lovely to hear the Godalming Youth Band playing out in the open air. We were also entertained in the church by Big Group Sing and the Rock Choir who provided us with great live music. Godalming School of Dance performed several items of their repertoire enthusiastically and had a very keen audience too!

A big thank you to Jane and her team who worked hard to put on the Fair, to the many volunteers who helped out in various ways, from running a stall to moving furniture and of course, to all those who came along to support the occasion. It won't be long till the Village Show so hope your garden is growing well!

John



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In 2017 Katy Parker decided that she needed to do something new. Her first love had been working with horses, and she knew she wanted to carry on looking after animals in some way. It was husband Richard who suggested dog grooming, and this led to a course at Merrist Wood College, and starting Vanity Fur. At first Katy dealt with a handful of dogs each day at home, but the work soon

took off. People will do a lot for their dogs, because they mean so much to them'. She loves her own pet Pomeranians most of all, but the salon looks after all different breeds and sorts of dog, and there's now a small shop selling canine items and treats alongside the salon. Vanity Fur is about to launch an online shop too. Another Farncombe business adding to the variety of our parish!

outgrew the Parkers' spare room, especially as dog ownership soared during the Covid lockdowns when people turned to pets to bolster their mental health, and business never slowed down again – far from it. Clients reached ten a day and a cabin in the garden wasn't the right solution; then 50 Binscombe Crescent fell vacant and the company moved there a few months ago.

Now Vanity Fur employs not just Katy but her mum, Richard, and two other members of staff, and has 1600 dogs on its books! Katy is modest about the salon's success so far: 'I didn't really do anything,' she says, 'I just started grooming dogs and it all



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Brochures detailing the varied classes will be available in Church, and in local shops and businesses nearer the time. If you have any suggestions or would like to help in any way, please call Anne on 07809 552153 or Sue on 07818 582336 or email: anne_gray55@yahoo.com

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- ...promote feelings of accomplishment and empowerment, which in turn elevates self-esteem and confidence levels.

If you would like to incorporate more movement into your routine, Eléni Bainbridge runs "Positive Tribes", a wellbeing company which delivers fitness classes by "The Jungle Body" in Farncombe, Shalford and Godalming. The routines are set to uplifting music and there's only 4 moves per track, so no need to learn complicated routines. There's something for ALL ages and abilities and the classes are reasonably priced. Please see: www.positivetribe.co.uk for more details or contact Eléni on 07488242102



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The new branch based in an historic funeral home in Bridge Road Godalming, merged with sister brand James & Thomas Funeral Directors in Woodbridge Hill, Guildford, creating two Godalming Funeral Service branches.

Both are part of Funeral Partners – the UK's third largest funeral network.

Paul's son Anghus Weightman – a respected Funeral Director in his own right – has now joined Godalming Funeral Service to work with his dad.

"I am very pleased to be back in my hometown working with dad to provide care and support for our local families. Also, I will be able to get more involved in charity work and local good causes to help raise funds and support initiatives that benefit our town and the community."

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SEE SPECTACULAR VEHICLES AT PHYLLIS TUCKWELL MOTOR SHOW

Come along to Phyllis Tuckwell's hugely popular Motor Show on Sunday 6th August, and enjoy a magnificent display of spectacular vehicles, from classic cars and campervans, to motorcycles, scooters and motoring memorabilia. With over 600 exhibitor vehicles already registered it is set to be a fantastic day.

This year's Motor Show will be held at a wonderful private venue in Churt, whose owners Robert & Tanya Lewis will also be

kindly opening up their personal, incredible collection of over 60 pristine classic cars from 1903 to present day, including the fastest car in the world, plus over 100 petrol pumps, thousands of pieces of memorabilia and so much more. It is an opportunity not to be missed.

The show will open to attendees at 11am and will raise money to help fund the supportive and end of life care which local charity Phyllis Tuckwell provides for patients and families who are living with an advanced or terminal illness, such as cancer. Every day it supports over 250 patients, relatives and carers, through medical and nursing care, therapies, counselling, social work advice and practical support - but as the NHS/Government usually only covers about 20% of its costs, it has to raise over £25,000 a day to do this.

As well as a fantastic display of motor vehicles, there will also be food and drink to purchase, stalls to browse, and musical entertainment - a great day out for all the family. It promises to be a fantastic day out - we hope you are able to come along.

Tickets are priced at £25 for vehicles and £15 for motorcycles/scooters and must be purchased in advance. If you own a vehicle which you would be keen to exhibit at the Motor Show, you can also register your vehicle. To buy attendee tickets or register as an exhibitor, visit www.pth.org.uk/motor-show. Your ticket gains entry for you, your vehicle and all passengers, to the show and private collection.

If you or someone you know are able to supply a raffle or auction prize for this event, please get in touch with Phyllis Tuckwell by emailing ptmotorshow@pth.org.uk



The Farncombe Initiative



This year The Farncombe Initiative has continued to work on ongoing projects and is studying new ideas.

As readers of The Villager will know, in early May local elections were held for the councils of Waverley Borough and Godalming Town.

The Farncombe Initiative is politically neutral. However, we thought that it would be helpful for the electorate if the candidates of all parties standing for election in our local area let us know their position on some of the important issues for all of us.

These issues were:

1. Widening the footpath alongside the railway between Farncombe Street and Marshall Road to improve access.
2. Improving local public transport.
3. Stopping any expansion of the car park at Godalming Leisure Centre which would involve the acquisition of part of the playing fields of Broadwater School.
4. Encouraging local businesses in Farncombe and the creation of a monthly street market by Farncombe station to attract people to the village centre.

All candidates responded positively and many of them are now Waverley Borough and/or Godalming Town Councillors so are in a

position to follow through with their commitments. It should be noted that one candidate, since elected, felt that the establishment of a street market should not be to the detriment of existing businesses, which is entirely reasonable.

The Farncombe Initiative will continue to engage with our elected representatives on these and other issues of local importance. On Saturday May 20 we were present at St John's Spring Fair and met many local residents interested in our activity and how they could get involved. Thanks to Paul Devereux we had a large display of material relating to local history, especially that of the Broadwater estate and the Marshall family. One person brought and donated a number of photos and a newspaper report on the demolition of Broadwater House where members of his family had worked.

Anyone with a love for Farncombe is welcome to take part. Do get in touch to join the steering group or one of the teams. farncombeinitiative@gmail.com



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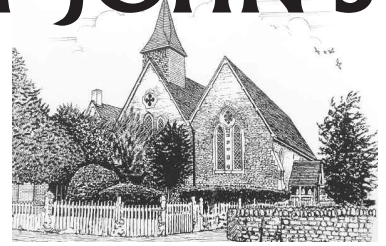
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The 11th March 2023 marked the 50th anniversary of the first Roman Catholic Mass held at St. John's which has been held continuously ever since

PARISH REGISTER

In Memoriam

Audrey Hargreaves David Morley

Renewal of Marriage Vows

Wendy & Nigel Ross (picture right)

Baptisms

Aria Springer Oliver Raucci Rohan Bhalsod
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Celebrate at St John's

Summer is here but it certainly seemed like a long winter. Over the past three years the effects of the pandemic have been long reaching. For many of us, life was effectively put on hold - but now we are delighted to see lots more Weddings and Christenings being booked here at St John's Church. Here are some photos of celebrations from previous years and we look forward to more to come.



MOTHERING SUNDAY

We celebrated Mothering Sunday on 19th March. We were joined by pupils and staff from Farncombe Infants School who sang a couple of seasonal songs during the service and helped with the distribution of some posies. The posies were blessed by James and given to mothers and others who provide care and support. Some of the remaining posies were taken to Broadwater Lodge and Eastlake for distribution to the residents there.

Thank you to Farncombe Infants School for your songs and help and to our team of volunteers who prepared the posies the day before.

David



MESSY CHURCH 13th May

Our theme this time was very topical, dealing with ideas of coronation and kingship in the Bible and the ways in which earthly kings try to show their status. We then looked at some events in the life of Jesus, the King of kings. The activities were quite a challenge, making a crown, an orb and sceptre, a mantle, jewels and even some perfumed oils for anointing. The results were very impressive and the fine weather allowed us to go home looking splendid! After the service there was a suitably regal tea including a special treat of jelly and cream. *Our next Messy Church is on Saturday 8th July at 3pm. Do come along and join in with the activities.* **John**

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A message from Julian....

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Friday 29th September
OYE SANTANA
(SANTANA TRIBUTE)
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Tickets: £23 inc. booking fee. Show starts @ 8.00pm (doors and bar open from 7.00pm)

Saturday 13th October
CHINA CRISIS
@ HASLEMERE HALL



Making a welcome return to the area after their sold out show in Farncombe in 2019, Guitarist Eddie Lundon and vocalist / keyboardist Gary Daly are the founder members of the band which started in Kirkby, Merseyside back in 1979. China Crisis found major chart success in the UK with both their singles and albums as well as hits across Australia, Europe and the Americas. The band are known for their distinctive AOR-fuelled pop songs including hit singles "Wishful thinking", "African and White", "Christian", "Working with Fire and Steel" and "Black Man Ray".
Tickets: £25 inc. booking fee. Show starts @ 8.00pm (doors and bar open from 7.00pm)

Friday 3rd November
FLEETWOOD BAC
(FLEETWOOD MAC TRIBUTE)
@ HASLEMERE HALL



Over 50% of tickets already sold for the ever popular Fleetwood Bac. The band were the world's first and are regarded as the UK's most authentic Fleetwood Mac tribute show, endorsed by Mick Fleetwood himself, raved about by Peter Green's biographer, and were the first Fleetwood Mac tribute band to fully replicate the classic Stevie/Lindsey/Christine/John/Mick "Rumours" line-up. A Fleetwood Bac tribute show isn't just about dressing up & performing the music of one of the world's most iconic and best loved bands, Fleetwood Bac replicate a full Fleetwood Mac show as they were back in the 70's & 80's.
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FUTURE SHOWS INCLUDE THESE EXCITING ACTS ALL AT HASLEMERE HALL

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Friday 23rd February - Totally Blondie (Blondie tribute)
Friday 19th April - The Total Who Show (Who tribute)
Friday 10th May - G2 Definitive Genesis (1970s Genesis tribute)

Tickets for Haslemere shows are available from www.haslemerehall.co.uk or the box office on 01428 642161.

To keep up to date with news and info on upcoming shows, please see Facebook page Julian Lewry Music and website www.julianlewrymusic.com



Kettle's On Coronation Tea

We celebrated the Coronation with a Film Show. From the Surrey Archives John found three films. The first, old footage of the 1953 Coronation of Queen Elizabeth showing the procession along Godalming High Street. The second, Godalming celebrating the 400 years of Godalming being a Borough, again with a Procession, and thirdly, the 1977 Queen's Silver Jubilee Procession as it leaves from Summers Road. The 1953 film quality was Black and White and not always clear but delighted everyone as we spotted old shop fronts and tried to identify the groups and organisations on the backs of lorries. The film maker then moved on into the Burys to record a Tableau held on a stage. It shows Queen Elizabeth the First and Courtiers all in very elaborate costumes but sadly there is no sound and we could only guess the theme of the play. The film opens with a delicate solo ballet dancer. Of course, everyone was performing in the rain.

The Borough Celebrations were in a similar style with lots of Brownies and Scouts seen in "Proper Uniforms" as someone pointed



out. In both films there were a lot of smartly turned out horses, either being ridden or pulling floats or carriages.

The Jubilee Film was the most successful having clear images in colour! Float after float passes by, Blackburn Engineering having the most along with Wilfred Noyce Playgroup, Townswomen's Guild, Guildwey, F.G. Barnes, John Bull riding a bike that sold ice-creams. All the films were full of marching bands.

In the usual tradition, we did what we do best at Kettle's On, enjoyed a delicious tea and chatted and enjoyed a head-scratching Quiz from Angela.

If you would like to find the Films yourselves, go to this website, screenarchive.brighton.ac.uk and search for Godalming. You will also find there a lot of other relevant Films about Godalming.

If you have any memories of these events and would like to share them please send them to davidholtstudios@btconnect.com **Sue**



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SUMMER GARDENING

Recent weather has not been conducive to spending hours out in the garden but at least we haven't had to do too much watering! A number of plants have shown the effects of last summer's heat and it may take some experimentation to find suitable replacements but it is good to see large splashes of colour in the flower beds and fruit and vegetables showing early signs of good crops.



Vegetables Potatoes are now in leaf and should be earthed up regularly to provide protection for the crop and it is time to plant out crops like sweetcorn, marrows, courgettes and squashes as well as runner and French beans. Sprouts, leeks and celery can also be planted out now but remember to prepare the ground first and add fertiliser.

Fruit If possible, mulch strawberry plants with straw to keep the fruits dry as they grow and also to deter unwanted 'visitors'. Tie in new raspberry canes as they grow and check bush fruits like gooseberries and thin out fruits if they are overcrowded.

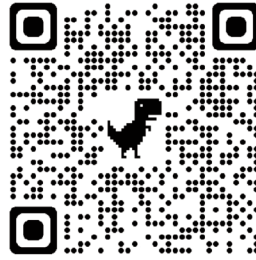
Ornamentals Garden centres have large displays of annuals, which give colour over the summer and it is good to check shrubs when they have finished flowering and prune as necessary to keep them in shape. Although we have had plenty of rain so far it is wise to check that water for the garden is available and can be stored if possible. Weeding is always something to keep us busy but it is possible to use some species as the basis for a wild flower garden which helps our pollinating insects too.

Happy gardening

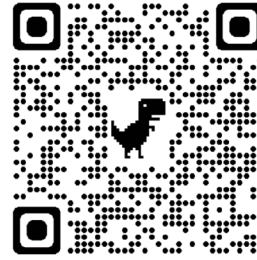
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PAULINE'S SLIMMING WORLD MAN OF THE YEAR

Massive congratulations to our group winners this year having lost over 17 stone between them: they have all felt the benefits of losing the weight in different ways.

Warren said he'd suffered from sleep apnoea when he joined - this is when you stop breathing during your sleep and need to wear a face mask to help you breathe, - but having lost the weight he doesn't have to wear this anymore.

Michael has lost over 4 stone in a short period of time and said he'd been food optimising from the start. Making healthy choices has made him able to move more easily.

Peter had an issue with breathlessness and also trouble bending over to put his shoes on. Now this is no longer an issue, he's less out of breath and feeling more confident around exercise.

Dennis has invested in an air fryer and loves creating free food meals in it. He has also taken up walking, getting outside with another member of the group. Body magic is really good for his mental health. Dennis said "Coming to group is my weekly highlight, sitting in group listening to great advice and having a cuppa to keep me on track for the week."

Hardie is a new member and has lost over a stone. He said he already felt healthier and had more energy.

Alex has taken up aqua aerobics two to three times a week since losing his weight. He is now so much more confident and has a new lease of life.

Pauline said "Weight loss for all of us means different things, but together we support each other in and out of group to lead healthier happier and less anxious lives. Food optimising with Slimming World is a healthy eating plan and alongside our body magic programme will help you to lose the weight and keep it off."

As members we have access to menus, activity classes, podcasts, food blogs, planners, barcode scanner, endless recipes, tips and ideas 24/7 alongside the nonjudgmental friendly and fun filled weekly group meetings and much more which is all included in our weekly fees!

No need to book pop into a group to start your own journey to success helping to keep yourself fit and healthy for life.

Contact Pauline on 07872 162842 or pop in

St Johns Church Tuesdays 8.30, 10.00, 5.30 or 7pm

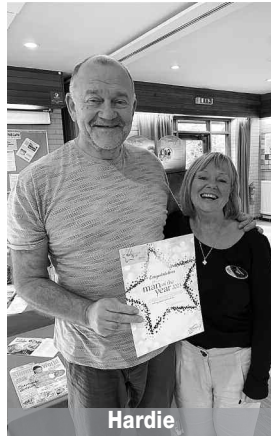
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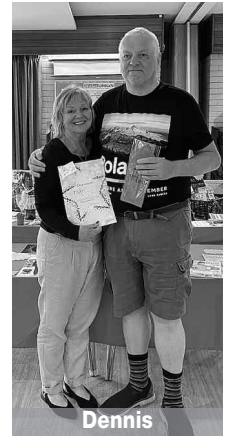
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QUIZ

1. The Priory on Lindisfarne is named after which Anglo-Saxon saint?
2. Which operatic soprano joined Freddy Mercury for the song 'Barcelona' in 1987?
3. 'Choux', 'Flaky' and 'Puff' are examples of what type of food?
4. What name is given to walls built without cement joints?
5. What is the collective name for a group of geese?
6. Which popular cake is named after the Derbyshire town where it was first made?
7. 'Coping', 'Tenon' and 'Circular' are types of which tool?
8. What was the Roman name for the city of York?
9. Beethoven loved to walk in the countryside, what is the name of his 6th symphony?
10. Which children's television series featured creatures who lived under the surface of the moon?

Answers are on page 19

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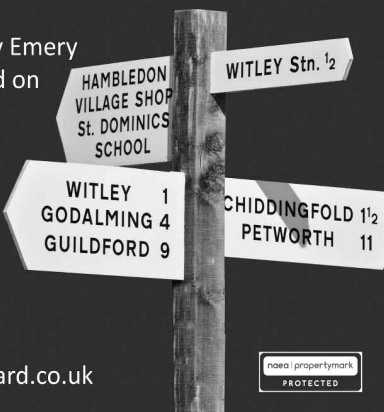
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THE ROYAL OBSERVATORY

Thursday 4th May, our Aspire and Challenge students enjoyed a day exploring the Royal Observatory in Greenwich. Students took part in multiple activities including a visit to the planetarium with expert astronomers, stood beneath the onion dome to view the biggest telescopes in the world and saw the historic Prime Meridian line.



D of E PRACTICE EXPEDITION

Friday 28th – Sunday 30th April was a busy weekend with nearly 100 students out on their bronze and silver D of E practice expedition. Excellent effort from all involved, a weekend full of team work, laughter and mud! Well done to them all.



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WAVERLEY BOROUGH COUNCIL ELECTS NEW MAYOR



At its Annual Council meeting on Tuesday 23 May, Waverley Borough Council elected Cllr Penny Rivers, who was previously the Deputy Mayor, as the new Mayor of Waverley. Councillor John Ward was appointed Deputy Mayor.

Penny is a longstanding St John's member, Pastoral Assistant and former churchwarden.

Cllr Rivers, who represents the Godalming Farncombe & Catteshall

ward, will hold the post for one year, attending a wide variety of engagements, acting as an ambassador for the council, chairing council meetings as well as raising funds for her nominated charities.

The Mayor said: "It is an honour to represent Waverley as Mayor and I hope that I can rise to the challenge. I look forward to sharing community celebrations and also to supporting volunteers and organisations who care for others.

"The two charities that I will champion this year are The Meath - who care for and support those who live with complex epilepsy and Skillway - which teaches and trains young people in crafts and life-skills."

Penny, who was born in Kingston, Jamaica and came to live in England in 1974, has lived in Farncombe since 2002, after previously residing in Godalming. She was elected to Godalming Town Council in 1995 and served on five administrations by 2023, four times as Town Mayor. She was elected to Waverley Borough Council in 2019 and will serve as Waverley Mayor for 2023-4.

Penny is also currently the Surrey County Councillor for Godalming North. Councillor John Ward was Mayor from May 2022 and supported the Jigsaw Trust and Creative Response. He successfully raised just over £2180 for the charities during his time as Mayor.

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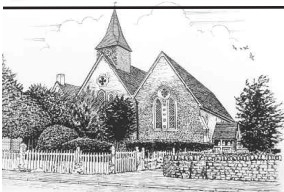
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