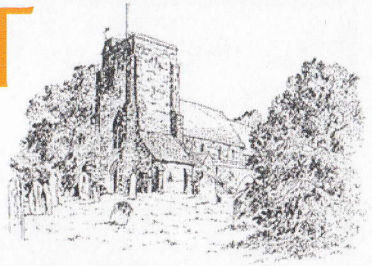


# SANDHURST Village Magazine



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## Learning from the Past

"Show by your good life that your works are done with gentleness born of wisdom." (James 3:13)

As we commemorated the 100th anniversary of the end of the "war to end all wars", I found these words poignant for our future, as we remembered 4yrs, 3mths and 2wks of a bloody, horrific and tragic event in world history that cost men, boys - whole families and communities - their lives.

To say that that war was wrong, would take away the value of the millions of individual lives that were lost and the millions of lives affected by loved ones killed, gassed or injured. On the eve of the Armistice, 10th November 1918, a sermon was preached by Revd. T.A. Lacey, Canon of Worcester; in it he said that war, "is the fruit of the folly and the sin of men." But sometimes it is right to stand up and maintain important principles. It is right to stand up against Dictators or terrorism or extremism, even though there might be a huge cost. But "principles" can be very costly, and lead us to make decisions which, if we were to look back on them and analysis them, we can often think, "How did we get here?" Sound familiar?

So how do we see the folly of doing something, "whatever the cost", before it's too late? That is wisdom. Wisdom is knowing when to make a stand, when it is right to fight; and when it is right to, "Let it go". Wisdom comes from looking back and learning from the past and applying it.

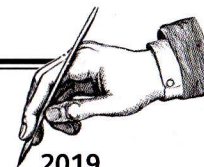
If we believe that God is the God of creation, he is the God of all creation. That means he is the God of those whom we might find ourselves fighting against or disputing with as we stand up for a principle. Both sides in the Great War were, predominantly, Christian societies. Both sides would have been praying to God for victory – to the same God! Both sides had much in common.

If wisdom is about applying to life what we learn in life, when are we going to grow in wisdom and learn from Jesus when he was asked, "Which commandment is the most important?" He replied, "Love the Lord your God. And love your neighbour as yourself." However, "loving your neighbour as yourself" is not an easy thing to learn; and certainly is not an easy thing to put into practice! That, though, is what God hopes we will all eventually learn.

Whilst there are times when we have to stand by a principle, perhaps the world would be better if all humanity could stand by a higher principle: with all learning to live together "loving our neighbour as ourselves". Until that day, God still cries at what His creation does to one another, as both sides in a conflict suffer. As we celebrate again the birth of Jesus this Christmas time, let us remember the wisdom that baby brought to us.

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Rector Benefice of Benenden and Sandhurst  
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## DIARY DATES



### December

#### Saturday 1st 7.30pm

at St George's Church Benenden  
Cranbrook Symphony Orchestra –  
Winter Charity Concert supporting  
Catching Lives.

#### Sunday 2nd 11-2.30pm

The Old School our second ever  
Pop Up Food Fest.

#### Sunday 9th 9.45am

Visit by St Nicholas to St Nicholas  
Church.

#### Thursday 20th 7pm

Carols on the Green on Upper Green

#### Christmas Eve 3pm

at St Nicholas Church  
Crib and Christingle Service

2019

### February

#### Friday 1st 7.00pm

Sandhurst Conservative Association  
Quiz at the Old School Hall.  
Tickets £10 (to include supper)  
Contact 01580 850266

### March

#### Saturday 23rd 7.30-10.00pm

at The Old School. Sandhurst  
Twinning Quiz - £10 per person

### May

#### Saturday and Sunday 18/19th

Sandhurst Twinning visit to twinned  
village, Heuringhem.

*Please let us know if you want  
a Diary Date included.*

## From the Editors

It's Christmas time again with all the stresses this brings. We hope you all have a wonderful time and manage to attend at least one of the many services or carol services being held. There is something for every age group.

We know how tempting the Christmas table is, but remember the scales in January!

*Merry Christmas  
& A Happy New Year*

*Shelagh and Elizabeth*

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*Elizabeth: 01580 850607 elizabeth.cutchey@btinternet.com*

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# POP UP FOOD FEST

SUNDAY DECEMBER 2 11-2.30 pm

Our second ever Pop Up Food Fest in the Old School Hall, Back Road, Sandhurst.

Sunday lunch plus take away option that proved so popular last time.

Homemade foodie Christmas gifts and impressive Wishing Tree prizes.

We sold out of food and tables last time so book your table early.

call Jane on 01589 851025 to book table

Proceeds in aid of National Rheumatoid Arthritis Society, Juvenile Idiopathic Arthritis Charity no. 1134859.

Helpers and prizes wanted please. Call Jane: 01580 851025



## Sandhurst Remembers

As a village we turned out to show our appreciation of those who died in both the First and Second World War. As this was the 100th anniversary of the day the "war to end all wars" ended, it was important for people to show their feelings. About 200 people came to the War Memorial to show thanks and stayed in pouring rain to honour the dead. Wreaths and crosses were placed after the two minutes silence.

The evening service was even more moving and equally well attended. The church was beautifully decorated for the service and candles, lit by Lynn, for every name on the memorial read out by the chairman of the parish council.

After the service we went into Church Field where lots more people joined in. After Godfrey Bland read the tribute to the fallen, Adam Kerry lit the Beacon to join the chain of beacons throughout the country and then the bells rang for the Peace.

If you go up to St Nicholas Church you will see the photograph and details of Sapper Laurence Phipps on his grave which is just inside the churchyard on your right. We hope to have details of other dead servicemen as soon as possible.

## Carols on the Green

Thursday 20th December

7.00pm

(If wet it will be in the Mission Church)

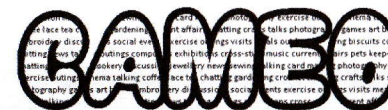
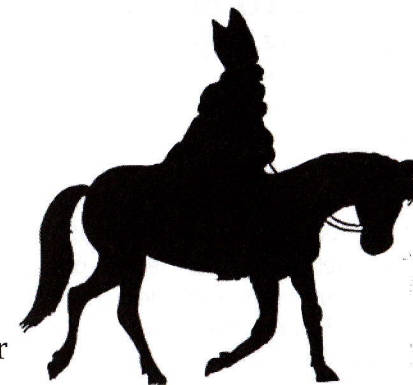
Free mince pies in The Swan after the singing.



## Come and meet St Nicholas

our patron Saint on  
Sunday 9th December at  
10.00am at St. Nicholas

Gather at the lower car park  
for 9.45am and walk with  
St. Nicholas to the church door



## Come and Meet Each Other for some fun and friendship

Eleven of us met at the Swan in Sandhurst this month for lunch. It was very enjoyable and some even had room for pudding. We meet on the 2nd Tuesday of the month and will be back at the Swan in December. We are a friendly bunch so come and join us.

Ruth Elsdon

## Sandhurst Weather Report for October

I was away for a few days in the middle of the month but the weather before and after that showed very little change with fairly mild temperatures and plenty of warm sunshine for at least part of most days. Winds were light, sometimes a bit chilly not very little rain.

During the last few days the temperature was near freezing overnight but quickly recovered to reach the low teens during the day. I recorded six days, mainly during the first half of the month when the thermometer rose into the twenties.

The total rainfall for the month was 33.5mm, 24mm of which fell during the last week. So far, no real autumn gales or cold weather has come to Sandhurst. The West Country, Wales and Scotland are getting the wind and rain as usual, so we must enjoy our good fortune while it lasts. V.L.

## From the Registers

Friday 2nd November Funeral Richard William Stack Biggs

Saturday 3rd November Interment of Ashes Robert Edward Gavin

Sunday 4th November Baptism Sophie Grace Frederick

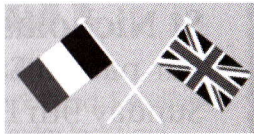
Saturday 10th November Interment of Ashes of Reg Betts

## Day Trip to France organised by Sandhurst Twinning Association

A full coach left Sandhurst early on Saturday 6th October and arrived in St. Omer to look round this bustling town, buy a bargain in the market and eat a delicious lunch. Then we had a short ride to a supermarche, where we quickly filled trolleys with French delicacies and a few bottles of wine!! Another short ride took us to Heuringhem, our twinned village, where many of our twinners had prepared coffee or wine with patisseries and gateaux. We were made to feel very welcome, but it was very quickly time for us to leave. The coach took us back to Sandhurst through the tunnel and we were home by 8.00 pm. The day was so successful that we plan to repeat the trip, perhaps to a Christmas market next time.

*Judy Avery*

*(on behalf of Sandhurst Twinning Committee)*



## Crib and Christingle Service

Christmas Eve

St. Nicholas Church 3.00pm

With a special visit from  
Lancelot the donkey

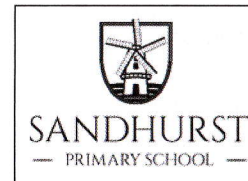
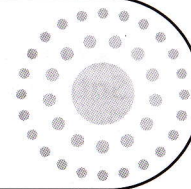
Come dressed in  
nativity costumes



## The Church was illuminated on...

**Monday 5th November** at the request of Richard Brimm to commemorate the birthday of Annie Brimm

**Monday 19th November** to celebrate Gillian Davis living at St Nicholas Cottage for 23 year



## A fun-filled term!

Children and staff have been delighted to continue to enjoy beautiful Autumnal days; we are so lucky to have the chance for outside learning in such a lovely part of Kent. Although our term has been hard working, there has also been plenty of time for fun too.

It was lovely to see so many parents and friends at the Harvest Festival earlier this term and we were grateful all of their generous contributions. We think we had more gifts than ever for the charity Nourish this year. Each class prepared some harvest work to share. Churchill class shared their harvest prayers. Shakespeare used the word harvest to teach us all about this time. Pankhurst entertained us with their vegetable rap. Darwin shared their harvest poems. Nightingale and Potter class showed us their fabulous vegetable paintings and treated us to a song.

Forest School continues to thrive in Windmill Woods. This term it was also the turn of Churchill and Nightingale Class to have their weekly visit. Under the watchful eyes of our Forest School Leaders they have been climbing trees, making camps and shelters as well as cooking over an open fire— lots of outdoor fun. A highlight for Churchill Class was an invitation to their parents to join them for a 'cuppa' around the fire at lunchtime.

**All classes have visited the woods at least once this term to use it as an inspiration for writing.**

...“Dead grass swayed in the breeze next to the haunted Windmill Wood. A shadow fell over it as a cloud passed the sun; the blood curdling shriek of a raven filled the air...

...Bramble tendrils tripped me up like the hands of unseen monsters, I ripped myself free, carried myself into a hazel bush and huddled there, always asking myself, “Why are they after me?”...

Other highlights for this term have been: voting for our new School Council, attending the Literacy Festival at Dulwich School, learning about the Mayans and Outer Space (not at the same time!), Halloween tombola fun, a successful Open Morning and winning the Kent Libraries ‘Summer Reading Challenge’.

Thanks must also be given to our wonderful Parents and Friends team who organised the ‘Big Bang’ celebration for fireworks night. Also to Churchill Class for running a fabulous ‘Children in Need’ fund raising event and to Rhys for organising the sale of so many poppies carefully knitted by his grans.

Please do access our website for more news and photos too.

[www.sandhurst.kent.sch.uk](http://www.sandhurst.kent.sch.uk)

## Mini Market and Grand Draw Saturday 17th November

The Mini Market on Saturday was well attended and everyone enjoyed going round the stalls and having coffee. There were lots of prizes for grand draw. The £200 first prize was won by a Sandhurst resident which was great.

Thanks to everyone's generosity we made £1,445, mainly due to the Grand Draw which made £400 more than last year.

A big thank you to everyone who supported or helped the Mini Market orv gave prizes for the Grand Draw to make it such a success.

*Anne Tilden Wright*

*Ed. Thank you to Anne for all of your hard work in organising the Mini Market.*



## Sandhurst Planning Applications

**TW/18/03330/FULL** Temporary stationing of mobile home for 3 years. Oaklands Farm, Bodiam Road.

**TW/18/03193FULL** Conversion of a garage to ancillary accommodation and the erection of a carport. Linkhill House, Rye Road.

**TW/18/03296/FULL** Single storey extension. Puxtye Farm, The Kiln, Crouch Lane

**TW/18/03189/FULL** Conversion of existing commercial building and extension to form 3 bedroom domestic dwelling including the demolition of rear wall of the existing building and part removal of the existing roof. The Forge, Rye Road.

**TW/18/03072/FULL.** Demolition of existing garages and erection of 1No. 3 bedroom bungalow including parking and landscaping. Garage block and land, Ringle Green.



## Civic Amenity Refuse Lorry

▼ DECEMBER 8TH FOR DOMESTIC WASTE

▼ THE CIVIC REFUSE LORRY WILL BE IN SANDHURST AT THE FOLLOWING PLACES AND TIMES ON SATURDAY MORNINGS:

Sandhurst:	09.05 - 09.35 am	Back Road
08.00 - 8.25 am	Lomas Lane	09.40 - 10.20 am
08.30 - 09.00 am	Ringle Green	10.25 - 11.00 am
		Sandhurst Close

# Canterbury Choristers



## In Concert

at

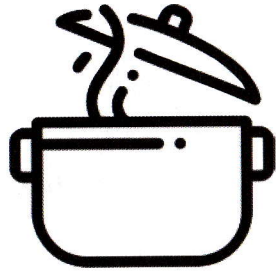
**St. Nicholas Church, Sandhurst**

**7pm on**

**Saturday 9th February 2019**

**Tickets £15, available from**

**01580 850278**



## Autumn soups

### Apple Soup

One large eating apple per person, butter stock veg or chicken or bouillon powder, ground ginger

#### Method

Peel and core apples and cut into chunks. Fry in a little butter. Add ginger, one level teaspoon for 8 people, or more if liked. Stir apples so that ginger disperses. Add stock and cover and simmer gently until the apples are cooked. Process and add more stock if too thick.

### Parsnip Soup

0.5 to 0.75g fresh ginger chopped finely in processor. 1lb parsnips scrubbed then chopped finely as above 1 onion as above

#### Method

Sweat all in saucepan with knob of butter. Add pint stock. Simmer until soft then liquidise. Add water or milk to thin if required.

*Thanks to Barbara Simmons for these recipes.*



## Drop-in Café with Toddler Group

Café finishes on the 19th December at St Nicholas Church and re-starts on the 9th January 2019 at the Mission Church.

Want any more information? Contact Revd David Commander (Rector, St. Nicholas Church) T: 01580 240658 E: revdavidcommander@gmail

## Coventry Carol

One of the great tragedies of the New Testament and the gospel of St. Matthew 3:16-18 was the slaughter of Bethlehem's male children two years and younger at the time of Jesus' birth.

About fourteen centuries later, an anonymous poet composed a fitting lullaby-like song to commemorate this heart-wrenching event. Titled "Lullay, Thou Tiny Little Child," better known as the Coventry Carol, rarely has a lyric been written that captures the essence of the St. Matthew narrative. When it was coupled with a haunting melody, the Christmas carol repertoire was instantly bequeathed one of its most beautiful gems.



The oldest known lyrical text of this ancient carol was edited in 1534 by Robert Croo, a regular participant in the mystery plays staged by the local craft guilds of Coventry, England. The tune as we know it today, however, dates from 1591. The mournful carol was one of three songs included in the Pageant of the Shearman and Tailors' Guilds, a mystery play initially sponsored by Queen Margaret in 1456, and later witnessed by King Henry VII and King Richard III.

The mystery plays of Coventry began in 1416. Like those of other English towns, they presented Biblical stories in the vernacular tongue, rather than in Latin, and they were quite popular with ordinary people, most of whom were illiterate. Their powerful musical and literary material was performed either on a fixed stage where people went to see them or in a procession where a series of scenes ("pageants") passed by on moving carts drawn by either men or horses with people looking on. These moving carts were generally comprised of two stories: the top floor for use as a performance stage, and the bottom floor serving as a curtained dressing room. As it moved along the streets and narrow passageways, the procession would stop at different places, or stations, whenever they found another eager audience awaiting their arrival. The theme of the mystery plays was usually about the Life of Jesus Christ. An essential element for many of them was the singing of carols. In fact, carols were so popular that near riots would occur if they were not sung. Unfortunately, much of the carol music from the mystery plays has been lost.

The mystery play enactment of the Massacre of the Innocents closely followed the text of St. Matthew's gospel: the tyrant, Herod, called the people to order, and immediately after the carol verses were sung by men dressed like the women of Bethlehem, Herod's soldiers arrived on the scene.

Although sung by men during the era of the mystery plays, the Norman Luboff Choir's all-female haunting a cappella performance of the "Coventry Carol" more acutely captures the pathos and profound grief of the women of Bethlehem for the loss of their innocent children.

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## Sandhurst Horticultural Society.

Sophie Hill couldn't be with us for our November meeting so Sheila Hume from 'Blue Hen Flowers' Benenden stepped in at short notice.

Attendance was good, it was a very interesting talk and demonstration showing us how to make dried flower wreaths.

Sheila is a grower on a small holding in Benenden, a member of 'Flowers from the Farm' and also runs workshops.

The first dried flower wreath she made was an indoor one, the ring was made from willow and once the circular shape was made she tied on a beautiful selection of dried flowers including bracken, ivy, hornbeam, roses, hydrangea, hops, larkspur, lavender, camellia and many more. The dried flowers were tied on using raffia and it was all natural. The finished wreath looked spectacular.

The second one was a Christmas wreath, this time Sheila used wire and purchased the rings, oranges and spruce. To start, she covered the ring in moss and then added small bunches of different foliage giving a variety of colours and textures. Once the whole ring was covered, she added feathers and oranges. The foliage included bay, myrtle, spruce, laurel, holly, yew, alder, figs, magnolia heads, cones and many more. Again, the finished Christmas wreath was spectacular and I couldn't decide which one was the best.

### Competition results:

**Class 1:** Pot plant in bloom: *Ros Maggs.*

**Class 2:** Vase of foliage: *Maureen Relf.*

**Class 3:** 3 Onions: *Jenny Rummery.*

**Class 4:** 3 Parsnips: *Brian Woodcock.*

**Class 5:** Centenary Tribute: *Ros Maggs.*

### Chairman's challenge:

a) Jam or jelly: *Jill Olliphant-Robertson.* b) Chutney or pickle: *Brian Woodcock.*

*Our next meeting on Wednesday 5th December will be our Annual General Meeting & presentation of competition trophies, followed by buffet and drinks.*

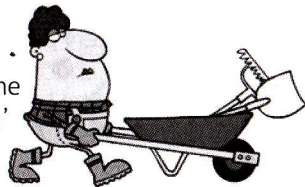
*Liz Duffy.*

## From the Garden Shed

### SPRING 2019 - 'Bring-it-on'

Induce the daffodil (Narcissus) season prematurely with the early flowering varieties, 'January Gold' and 'Spring Dawn' a golden yellow and pale-flowered mixture; both only 12" high, frost and rabbit proof. There may be a bargain available with the bulb buying season coming to an end. These bulbs are made for the impatient; plant right now and admire January, February and March. The bulbs are planted (pointed-end up) 4-6" deep/ 3-4" apart, and very easily grown in any reasonable soil. Aim to plant in groups of 5-6 and typically 25-50 bulbs will be required to make splash.

JRE



## Mission Church

Recently refurbished, it offers a light and airy space for group meetings.  
For details of hiring contact either: Anne Tylden Wright: 01580 850281

## Sandhurst Nursery School

During November the children made a fantastic display of poppies for Remembrance Sunday in their nursery room and they were interested in the shadow pictures of soldiers which one of our practitioners had put in the middle of the display. Well done children. We are now preparing for our nursery children's Christmas party in December as we are going to be entertained by a magician, eat party food and possibly have a few "visitors" to help give out gifts to the children. How exciting!

The nursery is growing in number every week and we have more new children joining us in January so if you are interested in joining us please check out our website [www.sandhurstnurseryschool.co.uk](http://www.sandhurstnurseryschool.co.uk) or come for a visit by telephoning 01580 850407. Look out for exciting new changes happening at Sandhurst Nursery School in 2019! More news in January/February 2019.

*Have a lovely Christmas everyone and a very happy new year!*

*Angela Writer - Manager - Sandhurst Nursery School.*

## Farewell to Ian

The Editors and distributors met for coffee to say thank you to Ian for all his hard work over the past 15 years as Magazine Manager. He was presented with two bottles of wine (which he did offer to share with us) but we all wish him well for the future. If any one wishes to take over either part of Ian's job, we would love to hear from you.

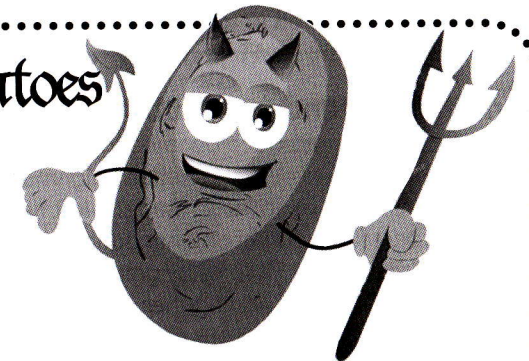
*Shelagh & Elizabeth*

## Devilled Potatoes

- 1 Tbsp Curry Powder
- 2 level Tbsp flour
- 1 tsp dry mustard
- 1 tsp cayenne
- 1lb potatoes cooked and sliced ¼" thick
- 3 Tbsps cooking oil

### Method

- 1 Mix the flour mustard cayenne together with salt and pepper
- 2 Toss the potatoes in the mixture
- 3 Heat the oil and fry the potatoes for 10-15 minutes, turning frequently, until golden brown.



## Healthy Hearts Talk

North Ridge Medical Practice Patient Participation Group held a Healthy Hearts Talk at Bowles Lodge on Thursday 25th October. Dr Vinay Kumar Bhatia, a Consultant Cardiologist, gave a talk and presentation about the heart, how to keep it healthy and what can be done to treat problems. There have been many innovations in treatment in the past 25 years and the audience learnt about these new procedures and were able to ask Dr Bhatia questions at the end of his talk.

John Rivers from The Heart Foundation then talked about emergency first aid. He showed the contents of the defibrillator boxes that are available for public use within the community and how to use them. He also demonstrated CPR and gave information about how to help in an emergency situation.

Dr Blundell, Dr Strange and Dr Butler-Gallie attended the meeting. Dr Butler-Gallie was welcomed as the new GP to the practice. The GPs answered questions from the audience mainly concerning the planned development of a new surgery site. Dr Blundell reported that talks are taking place with the planners but are confidential at the moment.

The PPG Committee would like to thank everyone who attended, especially the speakers, and the staff at Bowles Lodge for providing refreshments and for the use of the dining room.

The PPG Committee will be running further events which will be advertised on our Facebook page and in our newsletters available from the surgery and local shops.

*We value feedback from all patients so if you would like to contact the committee you can write to us, the PPG committee, at the surgery, or email [northridge.ppg@nhs.net](mailto:northridge.ppg@nhs.net).*

## Sandhurst Friendship Club

Fifty-one members attended our meeting in November to hear Heather Goodsell give her talk entitled 'Pilgrimage on Horseback'. When a close friend died she left her Horse for Heather to care for. Heather and her daughter decided to raise money for St Michael's Hospice by going on a Pilgrimage from Winchester to Canterbury riding their horses on footpaths and bridle ways where ever possible. Her talk was a hilarious account related from her point of view and from the horses' point of view of their adventure, the people they met and the places they stayed. She is a natural speaker with a very comic turn of phrase and the Old School was filled with laughter. One of our best talks.

*Next Meeting. Christmas Lunch at Brickwall Hotel, Sedlescombe. Please arrive at 12.30 pm for lunch at 1 pm.*

*Rosie Broadbent 01580 850433*



## Hall Rental

If you wish to rent the Old School Hall for a special function or a regular class, please contact Lisa Hale [clerk@sandhurstparish.co.uk](mailto:clerk@sandhurstparish.co.uk) or call 01580 850295

## WANTED!!

### MAGAZINE MANAGER AND/OR DISTRIBUTOR

Ian Meier, who has been our Magazine Manager and distributor for many years, is retiring at the end of this year.

#### His job description is as follows:

- ▲ Distribution
- ▲ Collection from printers
- ▲ Making the monthly distribution.
- ▲ Delivery and cash collection from Johnsons and the Farm shop
- ▲ Keeping numbers of magazines to be delivered up to date.
- ▲ Banking of cash collected above and received from distributors.
- ▲ Chasing up distributors for monies not received

#### Advertising:

- ▲ Circulating advertisers at the end of the year with copy of advert for renewal and any changes required. Notifying Glyn Roberts of any changes and check proofs before they go to print.
- ▲ Process new adverts and actively market through local businesses.
- ▲ Invoice advertisers and chase up payment.
- ▲ Liaise with Treasurer, reconcile and produce annual accounts

*As you can see, it can be easily split. The collection and distribution is only a once per month exercise. If you are interested in either or both parts of this job,*

**Please contact: The Churchwarden or The Editors**



## Christmas Weather

Snow has fallen, not much it's true  
Who wants a white Christmas? I don't, do you?  
Snow looks so pretty, so sparkling, so nice;  
Until you fall over on that patch of black ice!  
So let the sun shine on St. Nicholas' tower  
And we'll sing the anthems with all of our power.



**Mobile Library off the road with mechanical problems until further notice.**





REGULAR ACTIVITIES AND GROUPS

**Every Monday morning:**  
 Jitterbugz - Old School Hall  
 Toddlers 9.30 - 10.15am Babies 10.25am - 11.10am  
 Children 11.25am - 12.10am  
 info@jitterbugz.co.uk www.jitterbugz.co.uk

**Every Monday 2-5pm Friendly Bridge Club**  
 Mission Church.  
 Eve Willard 01797 253431

**Every Monday 7-9pm Line Dancing**  
 Old School Ruth Young 01580 850637

**2nd Tuesday of month 2pm**  
 CAMEO  
 Ruth Elsdon 01580 850419

**2nd Tuesday of month**  
 Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm - Old School Hall  
 Clerk: Lisa Hale  
 (Tues 1-3pm Thurs 9.30 - 11.30am) 01580 850295  
 www.sandhurstpc.kentparishes.gov.uk

**Every Tuesday 9.30-10.30am**  
 50+ Keep Fit Class Old School.  
 Kim Wheeler 01892 782623  
 Kimwheelerpft@gmail.com

**Every Tuesday Pilates 11.00 am-12.00**  
 Old School Hall contact: Lushfitness@hotmail.co.uk

**Every Wednesday (in term time)**  
 Drop - in Cafe Mission Church 9 - 11am

**Every Wednesday (in term-time) 10.45-11.30am**  
 Old School Hall - Barre Pilates  
 website: www.taylormadefitness.biz  
 contact: jane@taylormadefitness.biz

**Every Wednesday (in term time) 11.40am-12.40pm**  
 Old School Hall - Fitness Pilates  
 website: www.taylormadefitness.biz  
 contact: jane@taylormadefitness.biz

**Every Wednesday 2.00-3.00 pm**  
 Old School Hall - Power Yoga Contact Ruth:  
 Ruth@wealdpoweryoga.com 07943388807

**1st Wednesday of month 8pm**  
 Horticultural Society Old School  
 Margaret Woodcock 01580851006

**Every Wednesday 9.30 - 10.30am**  
 Tai Chi Fundamentals  
 Old School Brian Saxton 01892 545673  
 Brian@Briansaxton.co.uk Phone before attending

**Wednesday fortnightly 730pm-9.00pm**  
 Teens Group age 13+ (term time)  
 Sandhurst Baptist Church 07810088151

**Every Thursday Pilates 9.30 - 10.30am**  
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 During Term time  
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**1st Thursday of month 10.45am**  
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### DECEMBER SERVICES AT ST NICHOLAS AND THE MISSION CHURCH

#### Sunday 2nd December First Sunday of Advent

	8am Holy Communion	Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
	10am Morning Worship	Lyn Hayes
Tues 4th Dec	10am Mission Church Holy Communion (BCP)	Revd David Commander/Vicki Young

#### Sunday 9th December - Second Sunday of Advent

	10am Eucharist & Patronal Service	Rev David Commander
	5pm Mission Church Evening Prayer	Rev David Commander
Tues 11th Dec	10am Mission Church Holy Communion (BCP)	Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
Wed 12th Dec	3pm Claremont School Carol Service	Lyn Hayes

#### Sunday 16th December Third Sunday of Advent

	8am Holy Communion	Revd David Commander
	10am Morning Worship	Lyn Hayes
Mon 17th Dec	5pm Sandhurst Primary School Carol Service	Revd David Commander/Lyn Hayes
Tues 18th Dec	10am Mission Church Holy Communion (BCP)	Revd David Commander
Thurs 20th Dec	7pm Carols on the Upper Green	Lyn Hayes

#### Sunday 23rd December Fourth Sunday of Advent

	10am All-Age Communion	Revd David Commander
	6.30pm Parish Carol Service	Revd David Commander
Mon 24th Dec		
<b>CHRISTMAS EVE</b>	3pm Crib & Christingle Service	Lyn Hayes
	11.30pm Holy Communion	Revd Rosemary Kobus van Wengen
Tues 25th Dec		
<b>CHRISTMAS DAY</b>	8.30am Mission Church	
	Holy Communion	Revd David Commander
	10am Morning Worship	Revd David Commander/Lyn Hayes

#### Sunday 30th December First Sunday of Christmas

	8am St Nicholas	
	Benefice Holy Communion	Revd David Commander
	10am St George's Benefice Service	Revd David Commander

*All services are held at St. Nicholas Church unless otherwise stated.*