



**SLIP END & DISTRICT
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SCHOOL / YOUTH ISSUE

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School trip to Verulamium



Slip End United waiting for their new safer goalposts!

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Focus on Slip End Lower School - Special Edition

It's hard to believe a year has gone by since our last special feature on the Village School. Since then there have been plenty of new developments and of course, the exciting "Outstanding" Ofsted result. The school continues to go from strength to strength with new after school clubs, a link up with an American school and an opportunity for some children to get involved in politics.

I spent some time with Assistant Head Teacher, Emma Peppiatt, who brought me up to date with what's been happening.

There have been some physical changes in the school, with the year 3 and 4 classrooms having new partitioning installed instead of the internal walls. It means the classrooms and quiet rooms can be opened up to provide a large flexible learning space. This gives the teachers and children the chance to experiment with different activities and ways of learning in a bigger area. The extra space has been very useful when running some exciting extra activities that you can read about in the following pages.

Next Stop.. The World!

This is the second time the children have gone globe-trotting within their very own school. On International Day every child received their own "passport", which was stamped when they arrived at a new destination. Each class had its room made over to represent a different country and throughout the day the children moved from class to class, experiencing and learning about aspects of life in that destination. Of course, the school couldn't do it without the parent helpers, some of whom are actually from the countries in question.

The children were in mixed age groups so that the older ones could help the younger ones in the fun activities. First stop in Reception Class was sunny Spain. There was the opportunity to taste Spanish

omelettes and try their hand at Flamenco dancing taught by a talented Spanish mum, who showed the children how it was done. After Spain, they moved right across the globe (and School) to year 1's classroom where it was Carnival Time. Brazil came to Slip End with colourful carnival masks, music and pictures of the exciting costumes that go to make up the World's most famous carnival. The children made their own masks and learned about the celebrations.

Moving north into Year 2 and the USA came next. Slip End has already forged links with Holly Springs Elementary school in North Carolina through Year 4 teacher, Miss Carroll. The children in year 4 have linked up with a class of the same age and shared information and pictures with them. Now all the children had the chance to learn more about the school life of children in the USA.

Moving back to Europe in Year 3's class the children arrived in Switzerland, home of Swiss cheese and most importantly, Swiss chocolate! There was food tasting of both and a geography lesson to learn about the mountains.



Pinpointing countries on International Day

International Day (cont.)

To round off their travels, everyone got to visit the special "Foreign Exchange" in Year 4's room.

Not only did they get to pinpoint the countries on a world map and pick out their flags but they also learned about different currencies and improved their maths by working out exchange rates. The whole day finished with an International Assembly where the children shared their experiences and got to see one of the teachers perform a Flamenco dance! Olé!!

Slip End Lower already has achieved level 1 of the International School Award and activities like this event and twinning with Holly Springs in North Carolina is all part of working their way towards level 2.



Money, Money, Money!

Let's Go Clubbing!

One of the things that make SELS such a special place is the dedication of teachers and volunteers alike. The two after school clubs which were set up recently are proving to be a great success; there's a waiting list to join!

Miss Carroll and Mrs Casson are now running a Science Club which, has gone off with a bang, pardon the pun! On Monday afternoons, from 3.30-4.30, the children are split into year 1 & 2 groups and year 3 & 4 groups. They take part in fun experiments

such as growing crystals, making volcanoes and bubbles. So many children wanted to join that they have split them up into two groups so one group could take part this half term and the rest next half term.

Thursday is Project Club day run by Paula Fowler who kindly volunteers her time and efforts to teach the children arts and crafts including cards, cakes and other items that can be sold after school or at local events to raise funds for SELS. This is an excellent way in which to help both the children and the school. Each club offers new learning opportunities as well as lots of fun.



Young scientists

Democracy in Action

SELS also gives the children a say in how their school is run. To enable this to happen the school has a pupil Council formed by two representatives from each year, who are selected through class elections. The Council meets regularly to discuss any issues that concern the children and is chaired by Mrs Casson, the year 3 teacher. This year, the two year 4 Council members have also become part of 'United Voice'. This is a group made up of representatives from 16 School Councils across the area, who meet each half term to discuss issues in which they are interested in. Topics include the environment, fair trade, bullying and global sustainability. The schools take turns in hosting the meetings and it is a brilliant opportunity for the children to work with different people to discuss wider issues.

Recently the United Voice members visited Parliament in London for a special guided tour and to gain a better understanding of how Government works. It was an interesting and informative day which the children enjoyed very much. This has all been instigated by Mrs Casson who has worked hard this year to give SELS children this unique chance to be involved in an important initiative.

As this was all in the run up to the general election, it was extremely relevant and inspired the older children to create their own four political parties and hold an election of their own on May 6th. They selected their manifestos, debated the issues and then voted in a secret ballot in their own polling booth. A fantastic way to get children enthused about the democratic process.



The Alternative Election

Out and About

There are always events going on at SELS that enrich the learning experience. Often visitors come in, such as theatre or special music groups, but it's also good for the children to get out on a visit. Recently years 3 and 4 enjoyed a trip to St Albans to learn about the ancient Romans. With such a good museum relatively close by, it is an excellent place to get hands on experience with exhibits and objects from the past to gain an insight into how the Romans lived.

June also sees the annual year 4 residential trip. Miss Carroll introduced last year's class to the joys of Hautbois House in Norfolk and this year's class are following in their footsteps. This action packed trip has activities such as climbing, zip wires, archery and a trip to the beach. It all promotes physical education and helps the children with their own independence as they cope away from home. For many, it is their first trip without Mum or Dad so it is a big step and one they all enjoy.

A New View

Year 2 teacher Ange Poulton joined SELS last September. As a new addition we wanted to get her viewpoint on the School.

"This time last year I was thrilled to find out I was coming to Slip End Lower School. I spent a nervous summer wondering what it would be like, if I'd fit in and like it. I needn't have worried." she said.

"Since arriving I've been made most welcome and quickly felt part of the team. In fact now I don't even feel like a new comer. I've found the school ethos mirrors my own educational values and was proud and honoured to be part of the team that earned SELS an Outstanding Ofsted report.

I am lucky to work where every member of the school community is valued, from the youngest child to the oldest adult. We have beautiful surroundings and I've enjoyed the sunsets and views from my classroom window. I look forward to continuing to work with such wonderful pupils and colleagues".

Ange certainly seems to be loving her new role. Long may she continue to enjoy life in the village school community.

I also enjoyed catching up on the news for this report. As I left SELS Emma Peppiatt was dashing to assembly where her year 1 class was performing an American line dance they'd learnt in PE, to the Scissor Sister's hit "I don't feel like dancing". Sounds much more fun than PE in my day!!

Moving on up

In lower school, the children move on to a new middle school after year 4. This is fast approaching for the current year (pictured below), so we thought it was a chance to say a fond farewell and wish them the very best as they continue their education. We asked them what they thought of their first school as they get ready to leave. Here are some of their comments.



"I love going on school trips: we went to Woburn and Verulamium and we're going to Norfolk."

I enjoy having loads of friends at Slip End, especially the girls."

"I like the teachers because they are really nice and they have fun lessons."

"I'm going to miss our school."

"I wish I never have to leave this school."

"I like doing the jobs like Assembly Helper, Playground Helper and Eco Warrior because you get loads of responsibility."

"I like the swimming pool because it is really fun and cool."

"I love the Christmas parties."

"The Ugly Bug Ball was great."

"I like it when you can see all the fields behind the bushes when you're on top of the big hill."

"I enjoy the nature garden because sometimes there are frogs and fish in there."

"I like the teachers because they do fun things with us"

"I like the pink, green and yellow highlighting on our work to show what we have done well and what we need to work on."

You can keep up to date with all the school news by checking out the school website at www.slipend.beds.sch.uk.

Sandra Collins

Did you know?

Slip End Lower School has:



- Places available for 3½ to 9yr olds
- Small class sizes
- 2009 SATS results above the national average and Year 4 results above the Local Authority average
- A beautiful countryside setting with an indoor swimming pool

Slip End Lower school offers an excellent education in a caring environment to children from across the Luton & Dunstable area. If you'd like to see for yourself call us on 01582 720152 to arrange a visit.



Visitors are always welcome

"Slip End is an outstanding school. Pupils of all abilities achieve extremely well. Parents and pupils appreciate the high quality care and exciting learning opportunities." **Ofsted Report, Feb 2010**

**Visit www.slipend.beds.sch.uk & read the full
Ofsted report & find out more about SELS**

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DIANE CASEMORE—NURSERY NURSE



Diane first became involved with working at the Nursery Dept of Slip End School on a voluntary basis in 1986, becoming a permanent member of staff in October 88. Anne Kett was in charge of the nursery at that time and Pat Kent the Head Teacher.

It was a busy department at that time and since then many children have come and gone, some from the school at that time, now have their own children in the nursery!

Diane greatly enjoyed her time there getting involved with many different projects whilst at the school. With the start of the Early Years Foundation Stage curriculum it was important that the nursery children achieved a good standard of development before entering Year One of the school and Diane helped many children with this.

She was a member of the PTA for several years and fondly remembers the many social activities she was involved with, dressing up as Robin Hood, Mickey Mouse and the Lion from the Wizard of Oz to name but a few!

The outings she shared with the children were very rewarding. Not only did she help the Reception Class with cooking, she also tended the vegetable patch in the school garden—a lady of many talents. She was also involved in helping the school to gain their ‘healthy school status’ and helping to promote the healthy eating for the children.

Diane, left the school in February this year after 24 years service but made some very good friends whilst there, whom she still keeps in contact with. She found her time in the Nursery very gratifying and I am quite sure she is sorely missed by all the staff and children and is looking forward to a long and happy retirement, although it is only part-time at the moment!

Sue Briggs

CHILDREN LEARN WHAT THEY LIVE!

- If children live with criticism,
they learn to condemn.
- If children live with hostility, they
learn to fight.
- If children live with fear, they learn
to be apprehensive.
- If children live with pity, they learn to
feel sorry for themselves.
- If children live with ridicule, they learn
to feel shy.
- If children live with jealousy, they learn
to feel envy.
- If children live with shame, they
learn to feel guilty.
- If children live with encouragement,
they learn confidence.
- If children live with tolerance,
they learn patience.
- If children live with praise, they learn
appreciation.
- If children live with acceptance, they
learn to love.
- If children live with approval, they learn
to like themselves.
- If children live with recognition, they
learn it is good to have a goal.
- If children live with sharing, they learn
generosity.
- If children live with honesty, they
learn truthfulness.
- If children live with fairness, they learn justice.
- If children live with kindness and
consideration, they learn respect.
- If children live with security, they learn to have
faith in themselves and in those about them.
- If children live with friendliness, they learn
the world is a nice place in which to live.**

by Dorothy Law Nolte and Rachel Harris

Rising Sun

The Rising Sun has been awarded the CASKMARQUE!!! which stands for excellence in the service of cask ale. For more details on the standard please visit: www.caskmarque.co.uk (Well done RS)

New Food Offering

Main course from £4.50
3 Course selection from £9.75

Monday F.O.M.O Night

Malaysian food platter @ £5.00.
Available from 6.00pm to 9.00pm

Sunday Dinner

Sunday Roast from £6.50 (Free dessert with roast dinners) Available 12.30pm to 5.00pm

Senior Specials

3 Course set lunch @ £4.50 for all seniors over 60. Available Monday and Thursday 12.00pm to 2.30pm

Quiz Night — In support of local cubs/scouts on Saturday 5th June @ 8.00pm. £5.00 per person to include supper (Maximum of 4 per team)

- First Prize : Dinner For 4
- Consolation Prize: Bottle of wine

Several events have recently been held at The Rising Sun, to raise money for Afghan Heroes. The darts tournament was a lot of fun, including mixed triples, doubles and singles competitions (more details later in PN). On St George's day a children's party was held and enjoyed by all who attended.

The money raised has been used to purchase some sundry items to send to the troops, and also a donation of £135 along with two boxes of donated items have been sent to the Head office. Many thanks to Lily for hosting the events, and also to all who kindly donated many items I am sure that the troops on the frontline will greatly appreciate our efforts.

Frog & Rhubarb

The FA Cup final was fought out between Chelsea and Portsmouth recently. Chelsea emerged triumphant, which was enjoyed with vigour by the customers. The first of the Frog's All New Charity Quizzes took place at the end of May. There was something for everyone with skill and luck rounds alongside the usual question rounds. The winners received a prize of £40 in vouchers with the runner-ups winning £20. The quiz will be taking place on the last Wednesday of every month at 8.30pm. Maximum of five to a team and a £1 per person donation to Macmillan Cancer Care.

Fathers' Day is on Sunday 20th June and the Frog is offering a free pint to all Dads ordering a main course meal. Treat dad to a fantastic meal in the dining area or the courtyard garden where, hopefully, you will be able to enjoy the summer weather. The Frog & Rhubarb darts tournament is on Thursday 24th June this year. It's free to enter and anyone can join in. Register at 8pm on the night and you could win the top prize of £40 vouchers. Anyone who throws 180 on the night will receive £20 vouchers.

When you are planning your next celebration why not pop into the Frog and talk to Paul. The pub is able to offer a whole range of buffets and meals to suit your needs. They even offer free nibbles and party novelties for groups of 20 or more. Information is available at www.frogandrhubarb.co.uk



Celebrations at Kath & John Cooper's anniversary



John & Kath Cooper celebrated their Ruby Wedding Anniversary at the beginning of May. Friends and family travelled from all corners of the country to celebrate with them at the Frog & Rhubarb. Guests gambled on roulette, blackjack and dice tables in the fun casino with the biggest winner of the night receiving a bottle of champagne. Everyone enjoyed the magnificent spread of food and danced into the early hours with a disco.



Originally hailing from the Bolton area, John & Kath moved to Slip End shortly after their wedding at Dunstable Methodist Church in 1970. Many of you will know their two children, Paul (of the F & R) and Jayne, and two grandsons, Ethan & Spencer. The whole family still lives in the village and Ethan & Spencer attend the school.

Congratulations to John & Kath on reaching this momentous milestone & all the best for the next 40 years.



W.I. REPORT MAY MEETING

After the minutes were read, the last Group meeting at Eaton Bray was discussed. Everyone who attended enjoyed the demonstration with various tasters from Sainsbury's. Sue then read a report re the Federation meeting held at Bedford at which the speaker was Rev. Roger Royle. Coming soon will be a walk around Dunstable and a Canal trip with cream tea.

We were then introduced to Fran Clark and her husband from Dunstable talking about their Treats for Troops. This was started in 2003 when a lad from Queensbury School was fighting in Iraq. Friends and neighbours got together to send parcels and it just snowballed. We then proceeded with our annual meeting: The Secretary read the annual report and the President replied and seconded it. We have one new additional committee member which will make life a bit easier. We have had eight new members this year which is fantastic, bringing our total to 30 members. We then paused for tea and cakes and resumed with Tracy from Studham W.I. showing us how to do Serviette folding. We made three different designs with everyone taking part.

The winner of the Silver bowl, the highest annual competition winner was Sallie Stonestreet. The Dunstable Ladies Choir will be giving a concert on 8th June and the entrance fee including refreshments £3.50. The July meeting is on the 20th with Italian Cookery. August 17th meeting is The Art of William Morris.

Sheila Coleman.



PARISH PLAN QUESTIONNAIRE



COMING SOON
TO EVERY HOUSEHOLD



in
ALEY GREEN
PEPPERSTOCK
SLIP END
WOODSIDE



Don't forget to complete your copy!



Salad crops should be available, lettuce, spring onion, radish etc, Summer cabbage and early carrots, with the later thinnings providing a great addition to a salad or steamed with a cooked meal. The early potatoes will be coming in this month and as your potatoes will be going from ground to pan in a matter of minutes, you will discover a truly wonderful flavour. Beetroot, young turnips and Summer spinach may all be welcome fresh additions to your diet and early peas could well be cropping in June, especially in the South.

Sowing, Planting and Cultivating

We really need to keep on top of the weeds. Hoeing them off as small seedlings will make the job far easier than waiting for them to grow and send their roots down. Hoeing is best done on a dry day so that the weeds do not have a chance to recover. Don't forget to sharpen your hoe before you start and frequently as you use it. Keeping a small sharpening stone or file in your pocket will make this more convenient. Continue thinning out carrots, parsnips, beetroot etc. and water when required. Your best measuring instrument for water is your finger. If the top of the soil looks dry, insert your finger into the soil and if it's dry at the tip, then you need to water. Don't just sprinkle a few drops on the surface, it probably won't penetrate and do any good. Far better to give a good soaking less frequently that will get to the roots of your crops. In very dry weather, keeping the surface friable by hoeing will help keep the water from getting to the surface.

Planting

You should be able to plant out brassicas now; Broccoli and calabrese, Brussels sprouts and Summer cabbage. If you have started beans in pots, both runner and French they can go outside too. Leeks may well be ready to move to their final position. Ideally they want to be about pencil thickness. Don't follow the old guidance to trim the leaves

and roots when transplanting leeks. It has proved to be of no benefit and is counter-productive. Celery can also go out now. Outdoor tomatoes can go to their final position now. When moving plants from greenhouse to outdoors it is a good idea to condition them to the move. Take them out in the day and put them back at night for a few days or from greenhouse to cold frame. This avoids shocking the plant by a sudden and drastic change in climate

Sowing

There is a lot to sow this month and with many crops you can sow one set and then a few weeks later re-sow to give you a succession of fresh vegetables at the peak of perfection. In dry weather it is a good idea to soak your seed drill before sowing and then just water with a fine rose after.

In the greenhouse

Keep pinching off the side shoots of your tomatoes and keep an eye out for pests such as aphids, whitefly, red spider mite. If you are subject to attack by these pests it is worth checking out biological controls as these are perfectly safe to use and, used correctly, more effective than chemical controls.

Fruit

Make sure your fruiting plants have sufficient water when the fruit is swelling. This is critical to a good crop. Thin out plums and apples in June. Better to have one reasonable apple than three miniature marbles. Nature naturally tends towards this and sheds excess fruit. This is known as the 'June Drop'. It's best to thin out after this.

General Tasks

The infantry of slugs and snails are attacking at ground level so take action to keep them down and the air force of birds are coming from the skies to eat your crops. Don't forget the netting. The butterflies are about now as well, so check the undersides of your brassica leaves for the yellow or white eggs that will hatch into caterpillars and devastate the plant. You can squash them, wipe or wash them off easily at this stage.

ALEY GREEN METHODIST CHURCH

Services and Diary dates for June

Tuesday 1st	9.30am/ 12.00noon	Breakfast Butty Coffee Morning in aid of Luton Street Pastors
Sunday 6th	11.00am 11.00am	Morning Service – Mrs Lesley Hopwood Sunday School
Tuesday 8th	10.00am/ 12.00noon	‘Cakes & Company’ Coffee Morning
Sunday 13th	11.00am 11.00am	Methodist Homes Sunday Morning Service – Rev Bob Forrest Communion Sunday School
Wed 16th	7.30pm	Coffee Evening in aid of Methodist Homes for the Aged
Sunday 20th	11.00am	Fathers Day Morning Service – Mr Bob Squires Sunday School
Tuesday 22nd	7.30pm	Bible Study led by Rev Bob Forrest
Sunday 27th	11.00am	Sunday School Anniversary - Rev Phil Horner
Monday 28th	7.30pm	Fellowship Meeting led by Mike Bull
July		
Saturday 3rd		Ecumenical visit to Wintershall, Surrey to see The Life of Christ
Sunday 4th	11.00am	Morning Service – Rev Bob Forrest & Sunday School

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Our 2010 Lent Project raised £213.00 for the Haiti Earthquake Appeal and our pew envelopes £76.50 for the Methodist Women's Network. The coffee mornings and evenings have been very well supported. It's always good to meet new people and chat to our 'old' friends and raise money for our charities. In April we were able to send £73.65 to Keech Hospice Care. Our St George's Day Dinner was a great success, almost 50 people sat down to a three course meal, upstairs and downstairs! What a blessing our new kitchen is. Donations totalled £313.00 for the invaluable work of Action for Children. Christian Aid Week got off to a flying start with folk from three of the village churches supporting our Frugal Lunch of homemade soup, bread and cheese (a feast for some people in our world). We raised £206.00. The Coffee Evening found thirty of us relaxing and chatting together and adding a further £103.70. The Ecumenical Cake Stall outside the Co-op saw brisk trade and the goodies made by people from the four churches went like 'hot cakes'. The result was £200.54. Thank you to all who baked and bought. Our pew envelopes at Aley Green totalled £26.00. Our Sunday School children will be taking part in the Anniversary service on 27th; we look forward to their contributions as always.

*Seek ye first the Kingdom of God
And His righteousness
And all these things shall be given unto you
Alleluia Alleluia*

*Ask and it shall be given unto you
Seek and ye shall find
Knock and the door shall be opened unto you
Alleluia Alleluia*

If you are seeking or knocking our door is always open, please join us for Bible Studies, Fellowships & Services. We are a friendly bunch and you will be given a warm welcome

With love & prayers from all at Aley Green, Ann Meader



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**20th June
Fathers' Day
Free Pint For Dad
with a main meal**

**24th June
Darts Tournament
£40 Vouchers For Winner**

**30th June
Charity Quiz**

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FATHERS DAY



with a main meal. excludes burgers, sandwiches, starters and tapas

SLIP END YOUTH CLUB

We have had a busy few months at Slip End Youth Club. It all started with us making cards for all you deserving mothers out there. Next on the list was an Easter Craft session, where the children enjoyed making chocolate nests and Easter boxes, as you can see in the photos.



In half term we all had lots of fun at Go Bowling in Dunstable (where some children had difficulties throwing the ball down the right lane!!). This was a fabulous trip enjoyed by all !!



We're very pleased at the moment, as we are currently planning some really exciting things for all: including a hair-raising trip to a major theme park in May half term, swimming at

Aqua-splash in Hemel Hempstead, Ice skating at Planet Ice, plus all the usual goodies of cooking, Wii, games on the playing field and crafts galore!!!!

If there is anyone out there not currently enjoying the delights of Slip End Youth Club and you are between 10 and 15, please feel free to come along to the Peter Edwards Building on Wednesdays from 6.30 pm to 8.30 pm (it costs just £2.00 per session - what a bargain !!)

*Shirley Garner - Youth Leader
Molly Chaplin - Assistant Youth Worker*

CHILDRENS LAUGHTER

Pupil: "Excuse me, Sir, but I don't think I deserve a mark of zero for this exam paper."

Teacher: "Neither do I, but it's the lowest mark I can give."

The head teacher was taking her class round an art gallery. She stopped in front of one exhibit, and sneered at the guide, "I suppose that is some kind of modern art?" "No, madam," replied the guide. "I'm afraid it's a mirror."

"You never get anything right," complained the teacher. "What kind of job do you think you'll get when you leave school?" "Well I want to be the weather girl on TV."

HAPPINESS OF FRANCIS GRAY

Happiness is something
that doesn't come at will;

It comes in helping other folk
With joy their hearts to fill.

It comes in just the simplest way,
So spread a little smile,

For every one that you pass on
Makes your life too worthwhile.



(as pictured on front inside cover)

Slip End United score with new safer goalposts from the Football Foundation!

Following a successful funding bid between Slip End United's manager, Steve Inns, and the Community Projects Group Vice Chairman, Sarah Minnighan, the Football Foundation (www.footballfoundation.org.uk) has awarded Slip End United a £412.00 grant to replace its football goalposts at the Playing Fields with new, safer ones.

The team was awarded the grant after applying to the Football Foundation's Goalpost Safety Scheme. Since 1991 nine young footballers have been tragically killed in the UK by unsafe goalposts. Many more have been seriously injured by posts and crossbars that fail to meet even basic safety standards. Teaming up with The Football Association (The FA), the Football Foundation has earmarked almost £4m to replace non-compliant and unsafe goals in England at thousands of schools, clubs and parks across the country.

Funded by the **Premier League, The FA, Sport England and the Government**, the Football Foundation is dedicated to revitalising the grass roots of the game, constructing modern football facilities, developing football as a force for social cohesion and as a vehicle for education in communities.

Slip End United thanks the Football Foundation: 'This funding towards new, safer

goalposts is a fantastic boost for the club. Football is our national sport and it is great that the Football Foundation is investing in improving the grassroots of the game' said Steve Inns, manager. The remainder of the cost of the goalposts will be met by the Slip End & District Community Projects Group and the new goals should arrive and be in place in the next 4 – 5 weeks.

LAUGHTER

A priest and a rabbi are in a car crash and it's a bad one. Both of their cars are demolished but amazingly neither one of them is hurt. After they crawl out of their cars the rabbi says, "So you're a priest, that's interesting, I'm a rabbi. Wow, just look at our cars! There's nothing left, but we're unhurt. This must be a sign from God that we should meet and be friends and live together in peace." The priest replies, "Oh yes, I agree. It's a miracle that we survived and are here together." "And here's another miracle," says the Rabbi. "My car is destroyed but this bottle of wine in the back didn't break. Surely God wants us to drink the wine and celebrate our good fortune," he says, handing the bottle to the priest. The priest nods in agreement, opens the wine, drinks half of it and hands it back to the rabbi. The rabbi takes it and puts the cap back on. "Aren't you going to have any?" asks the priest. "Not right now," says the rabbi, "I'll wait until the police make their report!"

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Dear Lord, so far today, am I doing all right? I have not gossiped, lost my temper, been greedy, grumpy, nasty, selfish, or self-indulgent. I have not whined or complained, cursed, or eaten any chocolate. I have charged nothing on my credit card.....But I will be getting out of bed in a minute and I think that I will really need your help then!

SLIP END CUBS

Slip End Cubs meet on Monday nights during term time (except bank holidays) at the Peter Edwards Pavillion, Slip End Playing Fields between 7:00 and 8:30.

We recently took part in the Annual parade through Luton where all three districts in Luton joined together to parade through the town centre to celebrate St George's Day. All of the cubs were very well behaved and the weather even held out for us.

The summer term is always a busy one in the scouting calendar, and we have several 'away' evenings planned, including a trip to the Luton fire safety unit at Luton Fire Station, the Annual District Athletics night and hopefully a visit to Luton airport. Some of the cubs will also be going on the annual district cub camp at the end of June, where cubs (and scouts this year) from our district (Lea Valley) will be camping together over the weekend, with a lot of exciting activities to take part in. Every year this event has a theme and this year the theme is the circus, so it should be a great weekend. We have also got a good mixture of outdoor activities planned at our HQ, including tent pitching, fire lighting, tracking, map reading, backwoods cooking (not a typo) and a treasure hunt around the village in store, for our lucky cubs this term.

We are very pleased to welcome Karen Bracey (Baloo) back to the pack as our assistant cub leader. Karen recently took a break from helping out, due to other commitments, so we are all very happy that she has come back to help us again.

We are very grateful to Lily and Dave at the Rising Sun, who are continuing to support the group by holding a monthly quiz night, where half of the money raised through entry is donated to the group. The next quiz will be held on Saturday June 5th from 8pm onwards. Tickets are £5 per person and include entry to the quiz and supper, which always goes down very well. It is always an

enjoyable evening, with a prize for the top two teams. Anybody is welcome to join in, so please get a team of up to 4 people and come along and enjoy yourselves whilst supporting your local Scout group. We currently have a few spaces in the group, and would be delighted to welcome any new members. If you have a child aged between 8 and 10 1/2 and they would like to join in the adventure, please contact me (jonnybegoode13@googlemail.com). If you would like to offer your services as an occasional helper to the group, then you too would be most welcome, again, please just drop me an email. Yours in Scouting

Akela (Jon Barker)

LITTLE STARS—WEDNESDAYS 10.30AM

I popped along to the popular Little Stars group last Wednesday with the grandchildren and, as well as a visiting policeman, I was very pleased to meet up with a 'blast from the past'. Some of you might still remember Mrs Rosemary Willmot now Macdonald, who worked at the school for many years in the reception class. She retired from Slip End School over 15 years ago but lives not too far away in Luton. She had gone to the meeting with friends and her little granddaughter and Mary Barker and I had a good time reminiscing and telling her what some of her old pupils were up to these days. Mary's boys were at the school whilst she was there, likewise my children, and I took the opportunity to take a quick photo, see below.

Sue Briggs



LUTON SOUTH ELECTION RESULT

In the recent General Election the MP elected for Luton South is Gavin Shuker, Labour; the top four results for the constituency were:

Gavin Shuker	Labour	14,725
Nigel Huddleston	Conservative	12,396
Qurban Hussain	Liberal Dems	9,567
Esther Rantzen	Independent	1,872

Gavin Shuker MP

Luton South, Labour/

Co-operative

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gavin@gavinshuker.org



Website address: www.gavinshuker.org

Constituency address:

c/o Luton Labour Party, 3 Union Street,
Luton LU1 3AN

Parliamentary address:

House of Commons, London SW1A 0AA
United Kingdom

Electoral history:

Member for Luton South since 6 May 2010
general election.

Political interests:

Political engagement, electoral reform, child
poverty, student funding, transport policy
(especially rail), international development, debt
reduction, civil liberties.

Congratulations to Gavin and well done.

*(We have emailed to find details for his
surgery times and place which we would
hope to print next month)*

FARLEY HILL METHODIST CHURCH

Club members heard Teresa Phillips outline facilities and assistance available to older citizens in an interesting talk at the May Lunch Club on Wednesday 12th. There was also a sing song - one such number being an 'act' with Ken Cameron trying to woo Daisy played by Margaret Gibbon. Alas for Ken, Daisy refused to be wooed.

Ross Kemp of Eastenders paid a visit to the Methodist Hall on Tuesday 4th and was, of course, besieged by autograph hunters and admirers.

The next Lunch Club will feature the 'Summer Roast'. Roast Pork, Roast Spuds, stuffing, vegetables, gravy followed by chocolate sponge and custard. £3.00 12.30 for 1pm Wednesday 9th June.

The joint garden fete, Farley Hill Methodists, St John's Anglicans and World Wide Church of God is on Saturday 19th June--1pm start. Plenty of stalls, hot dogs, children's entertainment - teas - burgers etc. The joint committee is working on various other ideas.

The second Concert of the Summer, the Annual Charity event, is booked for Saturday 15th July with the redoubtable Bedfordshire Police Choir in action with songs and other entertainment. Admission £3.00 with concessions at £2.00 Further details of above functions and other events from:-

Ken Cameron 07852474628

E-Mail khubsurat1@xln.co.uk



Luncheon club at Farley Hill

On the 26th April we went on a Mystery Trip and ended up at the Van Haig Garden Centre just outside Ware. Everyone enjoyed it and said what a really nice place it was, although it was quite expensive. Keith, our driver; has got a new coach which was very comfortable.



Pam

LOST A TENNIS RACQUET?

Racquet found Sunday 9 May
against the playing field hall
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**Best Regards,
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Check out www.slipend.co.uk

*in order to keep track of
latest local issues, events, etc..*

The website contains lots of information covering all activities and groups in the Parish. Web mistress Sarah Minnighan & Webmaster Peter King have been working hard over the past months in order to update information and improve presentation.

VILLAGE DAY

Plans for Village Day on July 31st are coming along nicely.
We have already booked the following:



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or Sarah on s.minnighan@btinternet.com





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Community Projects Group

'After parking near Plaistow I made it to the first church, St Anthony's at 09.20. However no notices, tables or publicity in place and more importantly no coffee!! I was first to arrive and they possibly did not think anyone would be that early, but more probably due to location on route. Pressed on regardless and coffee available at next church. Made good time, and got to Stratford, where detour in place due to Olympic stadium works. Got to within about 150/200 yards of stadium and it looks quite impressive. Continued onwards to Hackney and met Mary Barker who had covered about a third of the route whilst I two thirds. Quite interesting along by the canal, but still some tidying up to do before Olympics. After



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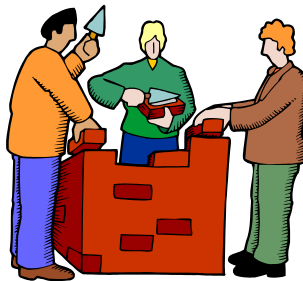
Father's Day

Cafe Church

on Sunday 20th June at 10:30a.m.



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And if you're over 16 and interested in becoming a volunteer, come along too and meet us.

Parents are Needed!



We know how much you appreciate the peace and quiet for a few hours a week when your little darlings are at the Youth Club, but to help maintain peace and quiet at home we need some more volunteers at the YC!

If you can offer help for just a few hours a month call Shirley on 07866 215453 or shirley.garner@btinternet.com who would love to hear from you!

SLIP END PLAYGROUP

This term we are busy looking at growth and development. We have tadpoles at the moment and are eagerly waiting for them to change into frogs.. We will have caterpillars after half term so we will be able to watch them become butterflies. We are also planning to plant some seeds to grow our own flowers.

All of our children are either 2 or 3 years old and so our adult to children ratio is high with between 4 and 6 children per adult. Our staff, at present, are Jill, Julie, Jenny, Sally and Kaz who is with us as a volunteer while she waits to join an NVQ3 course. We also have Leanna on a Friday who comes on a volunteer basis to work with us.

We will be getting a visit from a photographer on 15th June to take photos both at Playgroup and at Toddlers, so please make sure that you come to your group on that day to have your photos taken.

Later in the term we will hold a sponsored Fun Run to raise funds for a trip to Wood-side Animal Farm and some funds for

both groups. Photos of the happy children below.



Jill Acton



Parish of Slip End

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24 HOUR DARTS MARATHON

The Bank holiday weekend arrived, and The Rising Sun became a hive of activity with people arriving bringing dishes of food, sleeping bags and pillows and bags filled with 24 hour essentials!

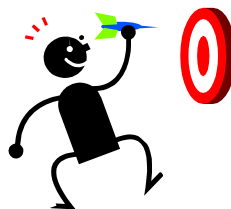
The start of the event was marked by a small reception for a few local VIP's, including Esther Rantzen, Richard Stay, Paul Cooper and Ken Crossett, to name but a few! There were appetising canapés and champagne to sip on, or if preferred real ale. With everyone wearing the uniform yellow t-shirts with our nicknames on the back, (kindly donated by Willie Brooks) a few photos were taken, speeches made, and we were ready to start. Richard Stay made the draw letting the teams know in which order they would throw. At midday Esther threw the first dart and scored 10, I think that she was happy for it to land on the board. After all the VIP's had thrown their darts we were underway. 24 hours of darts! We had set ourselves a massive target of 350,000 to score and also to raise as much

money as possible for The Macmillan Nurses, and The Royal Marsden Hospital in London, both charities being chosen, as local people have received care and treatment from both. Monies are still being collected, and I will update on the final amount in the next issue of PN, so far over a thousand pounds has been collected. Plenty of food and drink was consumed and a few snoozes snatched here and there. Many people arrived in the morning to see the finish of the marathon, and also to see the varying states of tiredness amongst the individuals!!

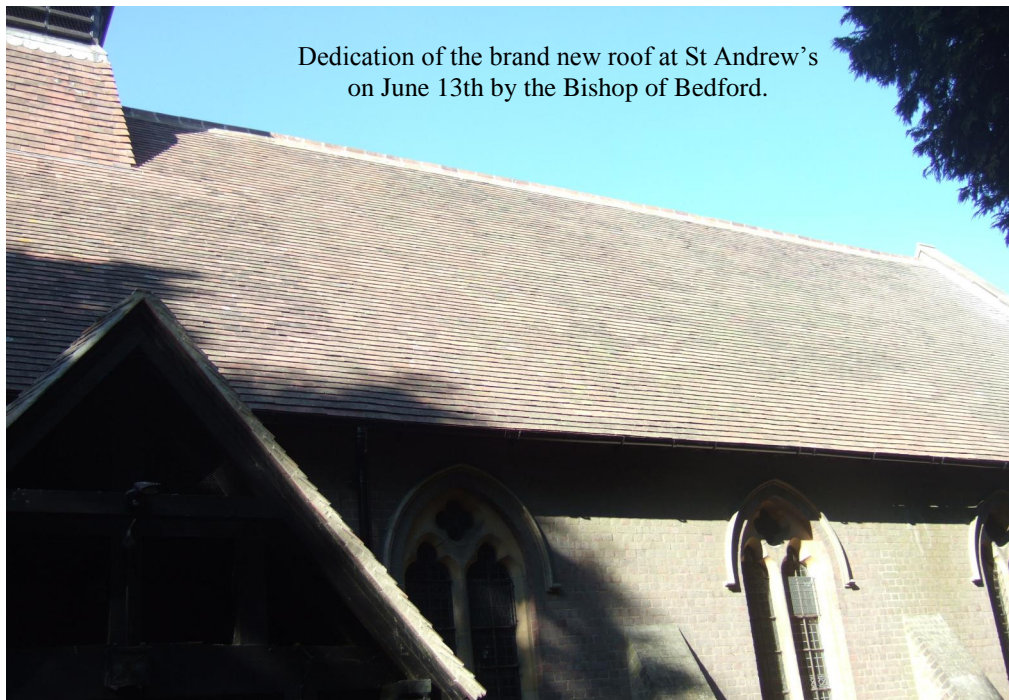
A huge thank you to everyone involved in making it a very enjoyable and very successful event. If you would like to contribute to boost our final tally please call into The Rising Sun with your donation.

(Katrina Doubleday)

(photos of the tournament should be in PN next month)



Dedication of the brand new roof at St Andrew's
on June 13th by the Bishop of Bedford.



St Andrew's Services and Events in June

Midweek Communions take place monthly at two venues in Slip End, details from Joy

Wednesday 2 nd	10.30am	Little Stars meet in St Andrews
Saturday 5 th	2.00pm	Marriage of Stephen Walker and Clare Davies
Sunday 6 th	10.30am	Family Communion Trinity Sunday
Wednesday 9 th	10.30am	Little Stars meet in St Andrews
Saturday 12 th	3.00pm	Marriage of Ben Murphy and Kelly Smith
Sunday 13 th	10.30am	Celebration and Re-dedication of Church Roof Informal Communion with Bishop of Bedford
Monday 14 th	11.00am	Songs of praise Caddington Hall
Wednesday 16 th	10.30am	Little Stars meet in St Andrews
Sunday 20 th	10.30am	Fathers Day Café Church
Tuesday 22 nd	7.30pm	Deanery Synod, St Johns Farley Hill
Friday 25 th	2.00pm	Woodside Home Service
Sunday 27 th	10.30am	Holy Communion Service
Monday 28 th	7.30pm	Standing Committee
Wednesday 30 th	10.30am	Little Stars meet in St Andrews

Important notice — On Sunday June 13th

The Bishop of Bedford is coming to St Andrews to Re-Dedicate the New Roof and internal Refurbishment as part of our regular service at 10.30am.

All friends and neighbours are most welcome to join us.

We wish to extend a special invitation to all who contributed to the work, or have worked to make these much needed repairs and improvements possible.

The service will be followed by refreshments. Revd Joy Daniel

The 3;16 Group for Middle School Children
has been replaced by “Energise” -
a wider activity for Young People from several Churches
Details from Joy at the Vicarage.

For Youth Group speak to Paula 738205 or Sue 414127

For Footsteps speak to Charlotte 521798 Home Communions speak to Joy 424363

Refurbishments

The management committee has spent quite a while seeking a building contractor prepared to take on the work of upgrading the ladies toilets and refurbishing the stage, where the wood was rapidly deteriorating after a century of use. Good news is that quotations came in and the plan is to get the work done in the summer.

Vandalism

It appears that now is the close season for the vandals, long may it continue! We should all be vigilant however, and report misdemeanours when they are perpetrated.

Rubbish

Not such good news is a growing tendency for illicit use of the large rubbish bin at the Village Hall. Last month a TV was deposited in the bin, which Mike Plummer removed to the refuse tip at the airport. If that was your TV, please do the decent thing in future and dispose of your cast offs in the correct way!

HOLIDAY CLUB REMINDER

Quick reminder for October—the very successful St Andrew's holiday club is returning on Thursday 28th & Friday 29th October. More details in later Parish News.

Race for Life comes to Stockwood Park, Luton on 27th June and a team from Little Stars is taking part. They will need lots of encouragement so if you can, please go along and support all those entering. If you would like to sponsor the team, please contact Parish News.



PARISH NEWS DISTRIBUTORS

July Parish News is a global issue so our normal distributors get a welcome month off, and hopefully the Community Projects Group will be delivering the magazines (and the Parish Plan questionnaire). Many thanks to them all. Look out for them both arriving.

Continuing on from last month, more details regarding the Parish Plan weekend which was led by author John Woolmer. Saturday started with a mathematical challenge which set one or two hearts racing. Fortunately it was a light-hearted ice-breaker so we could relax. That is not to say that John did not offer words of challenge. Saturday was split into four different sessions.

After a coffee in the sunshine, we turned to the gift of the Holy Spirit. John was emphatic that all Christians have received the Holy Spirit. Usually in examples of the Spirit at work there is a sudden dramatic event to mark this. A number of members of the audience gave their testimony to support this. However, it is equally possible for the Spirit to make himself known in gentler ways, usually in a way that is most suitable and relevant for the recipient. We heard examples of the signs of the Spirit at work, being different gifts for different people, such as wisdom, knowledge, faith, healings, miracles, prophecy, discernment of spirits and speaking in tongues. The two afternoon sessions focused on prayer and our response. It ended with a quiet period of contemplation that many of us found restorative.

On Sunday, after the meal at the Discovery Centre John led the service with a talk about one of his favourite subjects, butterflies. It had been a very thought provoking weekend.

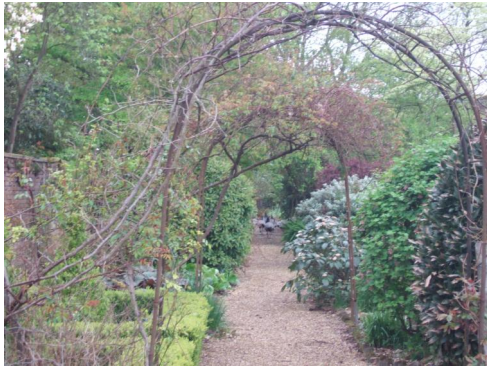
By Julie Taylor

John, top right, at the Discovery Centre on the Sunday for the Carvery Meal with members of the congregation.



Visit to The Hyde Walled Garden.

On Saturday 8 May, members set off for their second trip of the year to nearby The Hyde, off the Lower Luton Road at East Hyde. The weather once again was not particularly good, being wet and windy. We were the first to arrive at this National Garden Scheme Open Day and set off through the bluebell wood, which was quite amazing. We then went to the walled garden, which will be in its full glory in a few months time.



Being the first there, we had the pick of some very interesting flower and vegetable plants, which were very reasonably priced. A most enjoyable couple of hours and we are looking forward to the next open day on 27 June.

Checking out the bargains at the end



At the meeting on 24 May, it was confirmed the Village Open Gardens Day, on Sat. 10th July, would go ahead. (See poster elsewhere in magazine)



There was a demonstration by Angela Allaway, (photo above) a former resident of Slip End, and Garden Centre Manager for a large national chain. She demonstrated how to make a hanging basket, whilst giving tips on types of composts, plant feed, water granules etc. and answering questions as she went. Angela also gave details of the various garden centres she had managed and experiences with “the public” which were both very interesting and amusing!! A hanging basket made by Valerie Church was raffled; the winning ticket drawn by Angela belonged to Reg Philpot of Crawley Close. Rosemary Wickens gave details of future trips as below.

Sun 20 June. St Paul's Walden Bury, nr Hitchin Cost £4, Seniors £3. Meet 1.30pm

Sun 18 July. Chenies Manor Plant Fair, nr Amersham. Admission £5. Meet 1.30pm

Sun 15 Aug. Hever Castle & Gardens, nr Edenbridge Kent. (Tates coaches. Total cost £28, Seniors £26, Children £18) Contact Joan Duncombe (404988) by 15 July at the latest. The cost includes both coach and entrance.

Thurs 19 Aug. Luton Hoo Walled Garden. Guided tour with tea and biscuits. Cost £5. Meet 6.10pm at Rising Sun Car Park. Rosemary advised there would be a Quiz Night (general not gardening questions) to be

held at the Village Hall on Saturday 13th November. Details to follow later.

A Plant Sale then took place to raise funds for the Gardening Club. Tea/coffee and biscuits followed together with general discussion between members and visitors

NEW MEMBERS WELCOME

Next Meeting:

8pm Monday 20 September - Village Hall

By the Gardening Club Correspondent

INSIDE COVERS—PICTURE PAGES

We continue with the School theme and the first photo on the inside is the children on a school trip to St Albans to learn about the Romans. Looks like they had a great time.

Slip End United are the proud owners of new safer goal posts courtesy of the Football Foundation and Community Projects Group.

On the back inside cover members of the Youth Club are enjoying a great evening of bowling at Dunstable.

The wedding of Andrew and Sylvia Harland was attended by many friends and family, along with a good number of the congregation at St Andrew's. Sylvia and Andrew met several years ago and we have watched their romance blossom as they both attend the church. Above is the photo of the



happy couple cutting one of their several cakes! Long life and happiness to you both from Parish News and St Andrew's Church.

EDITORS NOTE

Small space left to remind everyone about the Village Day on 31st July at the Playing Fields. Put it in your diary now.

Please also remember to look out for your Parish Plan Questionnaire to be delivered with next months Global issue. It is important that we get a good percentage completed, as the results will ultimately decide what ideas are put forward to be undertaken by the community projects group for the good of the Parish.

Finally have a very happy summer and let us hope for a long hot sunny one this year.

Sue Briggs

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DIARY - If you would like your events included, please contact the Editor

June

- 1st Community Projects Group meeting The Plough 7.30pm
Meet Central Beds Councillors: Heathfield School Caddington, 10am to noon
- 5th SEADA trip to Weston Super Mare
Quiz night at the Rising Sun — 8pm
- 7th Parish Council meeting at the Village Hall 7.30pm
Dunstable Ladies Choir—W.I.
- 8th Community Projects Group - 7.30, at the Rising Sun, Slip End
- 13th St. Andrew's Church - Visit by the Bishop of Bedford
- 15th Caddington W.I: British Red Cross
- 19th Garden Fete Farley Hill Methodists 1pm
Café Church at St Andrew's—Father's Day 10.30a.m.
- 20th Gardening Club: Outing to St. Paul's Walden Bury . Meet 1.30pm
- 24th Frog & Rhubarb Darts Tournament 8pm
- 27th Race for Life at Stockwood Park (Little Stars team entering) Start 11a.m.

July

- 3rd Parish Council meeting at the Village Hall 7.30pm
- 10th **Parish Open Gardens Day**
- 13th Community Projects Group - 7.30, at the Plough, UpperWoodside
- 18th Gardening Club: Outing to Chenies Manor Plant Fair . Meet 1.30pm
- 20th Italian Cookery W.I. meeting
- 31st **Village Day at the Playing Fields from 11—5**

August

- 2nd Parish Council meeting at the Village Hall 7.30pm
- 7th Meet Central Beds Councillors: Heathfield School Caddington, 10am to noon
- 10th Community Projects Group - 7.30, at the Ruchi Indian Restaurant, Woodside
- 15th Gardening Club: Outing to Hever Castle, Kent
- 17th The Art of William Morris W.I. meeting
- 19th Luton Hoo Walled Garden visit—meet Rising Sun 6.10pm

September

- 4th Meet Central Beds Councillors: Heathfield School Caddington, 10am to noon
- 6th Parish Council meeting at the Village Hall 7.30pm

Items for the next issue to us by 15th June!

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