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Editor's Notes

How quickly this year seems to have gone or is it just as you get older that the months fly by. What seems an eternity when you are young now is a fleeting memory. It doesn't seem that long since we were preparing for Christmas 2012 and now it is almost Christmas 2013. Just a quick reminder that there is no publication in January as the Parish News team have a welcome month off from their voluntary duties. However, if you do have any news over the holiday period please send it straight in, as you do not have to wait for the cut-off date in January. We have a very quick turnaround now as the printers have to have our final copy for a week before it is printed and returned.

There are lots of events in the Diary page so remember to keep checking for any special dates. Hopefully they are all in there.

The Parish News team would like to wish you all a very Happy and Healthy Christmas and New Year. We hope 2014 will bring you much happiness.



The Meaning Behind The Song

The twelve days of Christmas are the twelve days between Christmas Day, Dec. 25th, the birth of Jesus, and the Epiphany, Jan. 6th, the day

Christians celebrate the arrival of the Magi (Wise Men) and the revelation of Christ as the light of the world. The Christmas song, "The Twelve Days of Christmas" may sound silly and contrived to many of us, but it actually had its origins in religious symbolism - and with a serious purpose. It dates from a time of religious persecution. The song, "The Twelve Days of Christmas," was written as a kind of secret catechism that could be sung in public without fear of arrest - a learning or memory aid to Christians in fact. The song can be taken at two levels of interpretation - the surface meaning, or the hidden meaning known only to the Christians involved. Each element is a code word for a religious truth

1. The partridge in a pear tree is Jesus.
2. The two turtledoves are the Old and New Testaments.
3. Three French hens stand for faith, hope, love.
4. The four calling birds are the four Gospels.
5. The five gold rings recall the Hebrew Torah (Law), or the Pentateuch, the first five books of the Old Testament.
6. The six geese a-laying stand for the six days of creation.
7. The seven swans a-swimming represent the seven gifts of the Holy Spirit.
8. The eight maids a-milking are the eight Beatitudes.
9. Nine ladies dancing are the nine fruits of the Holy Spirit.
10. The ten lords a-leaping are the Ten Commandments.
11. Eleven pipers piping represent the eleven faithful Apostles.
12. Twelve drummers drumming symbolize the twelve points of doctrine in the Apostles Creed.

So that "silly" song we sing at Christmas time has more meaning than we thought.

SHOEBOX SUNDAY



We had a successful time making up shoeboxes for Belarus and talking about children who have little possessions and no toys. We shall be thinking of them this Christmas time. We formed a chain to pass the boxes to Alan Buttery to take to the Heathfield warehouse. A big thank you to everyone who donated goods or boxes. We sent over 100 from the village which was very good news.



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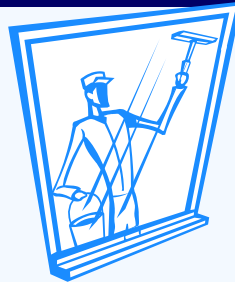
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Parish Council Notes

Cllr Keith Holme and I attended a meeting with representatives from Central Bedfordshire Highways Dept. We began by reviewing the arrangements for our own gritting activities. I am pleased to confirm that Central Beds has agreed for us to continue with the project, so the gritter will be available for use this winter if needed.

You will recall the agreement is for the Parish Council in partnership with Caddington Parish Council. The Statement of Purpose sets out the extent of the service which will be provided. From previous years residents will no doubt remember that the service is not a replacement or addition to that normally provided by the Highways Dept. The Statement of Purpose will be published on Parish Noticeboards, website and Facebook page. Paper copies may be obtained from the Clerk. The Statement of Purpose highlights that the service is designed to “apply road grit in a less formal and ad hoc manner to facilitate easier movement of people and vehicles locally during winter months”.

The second part of the meeting was to discuss the £50,000 grant application the Parish Council had made in the summer. Details of the progress of the feasibility study were also requested. This study was commissioned to look at the traffic calming measures which could be employed to reduce the excessive speeds on our roads. It was disappointing to hear that the Highways Dept. had extended its consideration period of our grant application and that of applications from other Town and Parish Councils. I understand the decision will not now be taken until March 2014. There has also been a delay with the Highways Dept. producing the feasibility study; we are now looking at delivery around mid December.

The Parish Council will still hold a consultation to obtain residents views of the measures recommended in the feasibility study. I expect alternative solutions will be put forward. Since the next issue of Parish News will not be until 1st February, please look out for material advertising the exhibition which will be held before then.

Unfortunately, the Highways are Dept. is unable to fund the measures needed to reduce the speed of traffic and so if we want that to happen, we must find the funding ourselves. The feeling Councillors have of residents views as a whole are that you would like to see speeding reduced and that some prefer not to pay for it. In common with many things a compromise is often the best way forward. The position at the moment is the Council has approximately £30,000 in reserve which it can use, and grants already obtained total £82,000. The Council has until mid January to decide if it should increase next year's Council Tax by £25,000 to add towards the project and is optimistic for the current £50,000 grant application. A £25,000 increase in Council Tax would be roughly an extra £3.30 per month for those living in a band D property.

Meanwhile, complaints from residents about speeding are still coming in. This prompted a further discussion with the Police. They tell me that from 1st April until 31st October, 44 camera van visits were made; each visit lasting about 30 minutes. During the period 330 motorists have been caught speeding. We are now on their priority list for further enforcement activity over the next few weeks, in addition to the normal camera van visits.

Finally, and on behalf of the Council may I wish you a Happy and safe Christmas and New Year.

Ken Crossett, Chairman



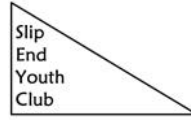
Slip End & District Community Projects Group

2013 the year of the launch!

March 2013 saw the launch of the Slip End Camera Club and the Good Neighbour Scheme. Camera Club has proved very popular, with regular attendance at the Social Club increasing from monthly to weekly! Thanks to Norman Homewood, Fiona Bloomfield & Andy Prothero for the work you do behind the scenes. We look forward to your exhibition.



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Our final launch in January this year was Youth Club. Thanks to the youth workers Caroline Rizza, Karen Bracey, Ursula Bracey, Lise Poultney and Zoe Coombes for giving up their Wednesday evenings to run the club. The number of children in attendance is proof enough of the great job you people do. We look forward to hearing how the Pantomime trip went.

My thanks to Paul Cooper for accommodating Chatty Club every Tuesday at the Frog & Rhubarb, and for feeding them too! Good reports come through every month about what you have put on for the club Paul so thank you.



The Good Neighbour Scheme has gone from strength to strength since its launch and feedback proves that the scheme is working and bringing much needed assistance to our residents. If you would like to give feedback about your experience with the scheme please write to the chairman, Simon Patterson, or you can email me at s.minnighan@btinternet.com.

Any correspondence will be treated in confidence. My thanks to the committee for its hard work and to the volunteers because without you to an extent there wouldn't be a scheme!

Another launch this year was the Facebook page, Slip End Parish Community, which has proved very popular with our residents. The Parish News does a great job of being a monthly round up and Facebook does a great job of being a way to instantly get news out there, be it crime figures, lost property, lost animals, meetings, events or



Christmas Biscuits – Every year the CPG gives a tin of biscuits to those residents of our parish who are over 65 years of age and have lived in the parish for 5 years or more. This year our trusty volunteers will deliver 220 tins and Christmas Cards to those residents. Thanks to the generosity of some of our local businesses, the cost to the CPG is reduced, this means funds can be put towards other great causes within the parish.



Thank you to Simon & Carol Patterson and Pam King, Peter Smith, Carol Beeton, Brian Church, Carolyn Martin & Veronica Williams, Carol Brennan and Rosemary Wickens, and Andy & Debbie Prothero for delivering the biscuits.

Crawley Playground – We are hoping to run an exhibition next year for the children of the parish, with the help of Mr Brown at Slip End Lower School, to find out what new equipment they want before we spend our pot of money! Watch out for details soon.

I attended the Remembrance Day Service at St Andrew's Church on Sunday 10th November 2013, along with other fellow councillors and had the honour of laying a wreath on behalf of the CPG. Thanks to Rev Cathy Pullinger, Chris Barnes and all the church folk for a wonderful service.



Finally, this year we are very lucky to have Santa's Post Box (see the photo on the front cover of the mag) in the parish, meaning that all the boys and girls can write and post their letter to Father Christmas, making sure that he gets their present wish list. By the time you read this the post box will already been sited at Slip End School and the Village Hall and will now be located at the Social Club from the 2nd of December until Christmas Eve, and Father Christmas has told us that despite being as busy as he is, he will try and write back to everyone who writes to him.

My personal thanks to the CPG Core Committee for your support throughout the year and in particular my Vice Chair for stepping in at some meetings for me, and thanks to the regular residents who turn up to every meeting, your input is invaluable. There will be drinks and a buffet at our December meeting on Tuesday 10th at the Social Club, please do pop along. Thanks to Kevin & Lainey and the staff at the club for accommodating us each month.

Merry Christmas and a Happy & Healthy New Year!
Sarah Minnighan, Chairman

Slip End Camera Club

We are looking forward to ending our first year with our Christmas party. This will be held on 17th December 2013, 7.30pm at Slip End Social Club. We will be charging £5.00 per head which will include a buffet. Should you be interested in attending this event, please let any of our members know or contact Norman (number at back of PN) or leave a message on the Slip End Facebook site. We will be organising an exhibition of our work in the near future and once we have a date and venue we will advise.

We have an agenda for the beginning of 2014 and this includes:

January 2014 Meeting:

21st January 8pm Slip End Social Club
Theme for this meeting will be Photoshop demonstration.

February Meeting:

18th February 8pm Slip End Social Club
Theme for this meeting will be "Know your camera". Bring your camera along and lets all take a look and discuss.

Please put these dates in your diary and join us at our meetings. No charge for your first visit! If you are lucky enough for Santa to bring you a nice shiny camera for Christmas, come and join us in January to get lots of hints and tips on how to achieve fantastic images.

Fiona Bloomfield



SLIP END REMEMBERS



Sunday 10th November 2013 saw many communities across the county come together to pay their respects to our fallen soldiers of the Great War. A number of organisations took part in main parades but many smaller communities also paid their respects on Remembrance Sunday.

Slip End saw the local Cub, Beaver & Brownie groups lead the Remembrance Day Parade from Slip End Lower School, through the village to St Andrew's Church where a service of Remembrance was held by Rev. Cathy Pullinger. The church was filled with local residents of all ages who came together on this day to pay their respects to our fallen soldiers of the Great War, WW2 and from more recent conflicts.

The children who took part in the Parade were a picture in their various uniforms led by their group leaders and accompanied by their proud parents, family members and well-wishers as they marched from one end of the village to the other. (photo on front page) During the service hymns were sung, prayers were said and a two minute silence was observed by all paying their respects for our brave Armed Forces personnel who have been lost through war.

After the service the children who took part in the parade were invited along to a children's fun day held at The Rising Sun for a free cupcake and glass of squash. The fun day was in aid of Operation Shoebox UK, a voluntary charitable organisation endorsed by the Ministry of Defence to send packed boxes of treats and goodies to British troops serving in Afghanistan.

The event was arranged and organised by ex-Slip End resident Misty Ballard who is the Bedfordshire Regional Co-ordinator for Operation Shoebox UK. Misty said "I felt it was important to thank the children for taking part in the parade. Remembrance Sunday and Armistice Day are an important part of our history, throughout generations and numerous conflicts our Forces have carried out their duties exceptionally, these conflicts have cost lives and we should remember those who have made the greatest sacrifice for us and for future generations." Misty went on to say "The support I have received for Operation Shoebox UK from the parish of Slip End and its residents has been amazing! I have only been involved with the organisation since August this year and over the last 5 months the support from the various groups and residents has raised a fantastic £600 for Operation Shoebox UK and seen in excess of 100 filled shoeboxes to make their way to our men & women in Afghanistan.

This is a great achievement from a small community and on behalf of Operation Shoebox UK I would like to say a big thank you to each & everyone of you who has supported us, be proud of yourselves for making a difference to our Serving Armed Forces Personnel, they really do appreciate it as the letters of thanks show (these can be found in the Rising Sun & Slip End Social Club). I am very proud to be a Slip End girl! Thank you again for your support I hope you have a wonderful Christmas and a very happy new year."

Anyone who would like to get involved can find all the information they need on the Operation Shoebox UK website www.operationshoebox.co.uk or can contact Misty - email misty@operationshoebox.co.uk

Heathfield Warehouse for shoeboxes

At the time of writing the shoebox cartons continue to grow at the Heathfield Community Centre. It is good to meet up with old friends who have been giving up their time and collecting items all year in preparation for these precious weeks, when the shoeboxes are collected from the Luton area and around, to be checked and packed ready for the long trip to Belarus where our shoeboxes will be heading for distribution. A big thank you to all the volunteers and to Heathfield for allowing us to use its premises, far different from the huge warehouses we used in Dunstable that were freezing!

*Warehouse manager
Alan Goodman working*



Boxes in waiting

Few photos of some of the volunteers



Amanda and toy.



Margaret & Yvonne from the filler section



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Dates for St Andrew's Church

December 2013

Sun 1st: 10.30am: Advent Communion - "The Son of Man will come"

Sun 8th: 10.30am: Cafe Church - Christingle (band) (traid-craft stall)

Sun 8th: 3pm: Bereavement Carol Service - "Sent to comfort all who mourn" (singers)

Sun 15th: 10.30am: Holy Communion (organ & singers)

Sun 15th: 4.00pm: Family Carol Service

Tues 17th: 11am: Caddington Hall Care Home Service

Fri 20th: 2pm: Woodside Care Home Service

Sun 22nd: 10.30am: Nativity Service

Sun 22nd: 6.00pm: Candlelit Carol Service - (organ & singers)

Tues 24th: 11.15pm: Midnight Communion

Wed 25th: 10.30am: Christmas Praise

Sun 29th: 10.30am: Morning Praise - Escape to Egypt (band)

January 2014

Sun 5th: 10.30am: Informal Communion with Bishop Richard (then at Frog & Rhubarb)

Sun 12th: 10.30am: Morning Praise

Sun 19th: 10.30am: Holy Communion

Tues 21st: Caddington Home service Fri 24th: Woodside Home service

Sun 26th: 10.30am: Morning Praise with Baptism



Little Stars for December

Weds 4th: Refreshments from 10am with a 10.30am start:

Little Stars: Christmas - Animal tales from the Bible

Weds 11th: Refreshments from 10am with a 10.30 start:

Little Stars: Christmas - the Christmas Tree's story

Weds 18th: Refreshments from 10am with a 10.30 start:

Little Stars: Christmas - action story - Wise Men

January

Weds 8th: Refreshments from 10am with a 10.30 start:

Little Stars: Garth the Giraffe & friends

Weds 15th: Refreshments from 10am with a 10.30 start:

Little Stars: Typhoon the Baboon

Weds 22nd: Refreshments from 10am with a 10.30 start:

Little Stars: Tweedledee the Chimpanzee

Weds 29th: Refreshments from 10am with a 10.30 start:

Little Stars: Penn the Hen

There will be no Little Stars meeting on 25th December or 1st January

Little Singing Stars



meet Tuesday mornings
at 10 prompt

St Andrew's News

It is difficult to watch the images of devastation caused by Typhoon Haiyan in the Philippines. It is easy to ask questions of God. Where is he in all that? When the forthcoming, amazing, unique, impossible birth of Jesus is communicated – first by an angel to Mary and then in a dream to Joseph, to reassure him because he knew he wasn't the father! Matthew says in his gospel that this fulfils an ancient prophecy: Behold a virgin shall conceive and bear a son and his name shall be called Emmanuel, God with us.

When Jesus left his home in heaven to be born of an unmarried teenager with a confused hurting fiancé he came to be with us in our suffering. His life was one of suffering, he was born in a stable a long way from home, he grew up in exile as it was too dangerous for the family to return to Palestine, and later when he returned he lived under hostile Roman rule. He came to share in our suffering. Where is God in the devastation of Tacloban? He is there, by his Spirit, with people in the fear and loss and desperate need, giving comfort and hope.

He is also in the hands of those who care. When he returned to heaven he handed over his ministry to his followers. We are now his body, his hands, his feet. In fact at St. Andrew's we have been supporting a Christian charity called "Hands of mercy" which has been working in the Philippines for many years, giving practical help, to families who live on the rubbish tips and who try and glean a living picking through the rubbish.

We decided at our PCC meeting last night that all the offerings at our Christmas

services this year (apart from the Christingle service where we give to needy children in the UK) will go to support the relief effort in the Philippines. Everyone is most welcome to come to any of the services listed in our diary section. God will be in all the ordinary people of Slip End who come and give – who are already responding in many ways to this disaster. He is in the lives of those who care. He is also in the voices of those who call us to care for this world that God has entrusted into our hands. As I write I have just received a request that we might use this prayer for the annual UN conference on climate change on Sunday. Here is an excerpt from it.

Faithful, merciful, trusting God,

You have let us loose on your world with enough fossilised carbon to destroy it, and with enough intelligence to know that we do so.

Forgive us, Lord, for we do know what we do.

We pray for the Climate change conference.

Let short term business interests bow to science.

Let politics give way to justice. Let economics step back and allow righteousness to prevail.

Speak to the hearts of every negotiator

that they may feel your love for your earth...

Where is God in the devastation? He is calling us to repent, a word that simply means change direction, live in a different way so that others may also live. When Jesus came to live on earth, to experience the sufferings of human life, he didn't just empathise, he didn't just feed and heal, though he wonderfully did those things. He called us to live differently, to love our neighbours as ourselves.

Baptism

That is the message of Christmas, that is what we celebrate. He came to be with us, he is calling us now to be his hands of mercy, he is calling us to live for others. Be blessed with him this Christmas.

And may you know him "Emmanuel" with you in the New Year.

We have a special service in the New Year on January 5th when the Bishop of Bedford is coming to bless a new piece of art work that one of our members has designed. Afterwards, at 12.30pm we are holding a party in the Frog and Rhubarb, to which everyone is very welcome. There will be a 'finger' buffet, games for the children, and the opportunity to "Grill the Bishop."!!! A question and answer session, with Bishop Richard.

Every blessing, Cathy..

Away in a Manger

Away in a manger, no crib for His bed,
The little Lord Jesus laid down His sweet head;
The stars in the sky looked down where He lay,
The little Lord Jesus, asleep in the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the poor Baby wakes.
But little Lord Jesus, no crying He makes.
I love thee, Lord Jesus, look down from the sky.
And stay by the cradle till morning is nigh.

Be near me, Lord Jesus, I ask Thee to stay,
Close by me forever, and love me, I pray!

Bless all the dear children
in Thy tender care
And take us to heaven, to
Live with Thee there



Ella Brooke Chapman. was baptised at St Andrew's Church Slip End on Sunday 27th October. Ella is pictured here with her mum Louise on the left, Great Grandparents Josie and Derrick Worsley and Auntie Rachael, (Godmother).



Many friends and family were present including Ella's other Great Nan, Nita Edwin who lives in Slip End, which made it a real family occasion. Both sets of great grandparents have lived in Slip End for many years and Louise and Rachael are regular visitors here so it was lovely for Ella to be baptised at St Andrew's Church.



Ella, her mum, dad, godparents & Cathy during the service.

Aley Green Methodist Church

Dates for December & January

Sunday 1st Advent 1

- 11.00am Morning Service-Rev Bob Forrest
11.00am Sunday Communion
4.00pm Ecumenical Advent Service
followed by Afternoon Tea

Tuesday 3rd

- 7.30pm Bible Study: Rev Bob Forrest

Sunday 8th Advent 2

- 11.00am Morning Service Rev Julia Dowding
11.00am Sunday School

Monday 9th

- 7.00pm Fellowship Meeting - Mike Bull
Followed by light refreshments

Tuesday 10th

- 10.00am/12.00pm 'Cakes & Company'

Saturday 14th

- 10.00am - 1.00pm Coffee Morning
In aid of LAMP & NOAH

Sunday 15th Advent 3

- No Morning Service
4pm Nativity Service led by Rev Phil Horner
The Junior Church Leaders and Children
Refreshments ~ Offering for Keech Hospice Care

Tuesday 17th

- 7.30pm Candle Light Carol Service
Followed by hot drinks and mince pies
Collection for Action for Children

Sunday 22nd Advent 4

- 11.00am Morning Service - John Enejo
11.00am Sunday School

Christmas Day 25th

- 9.30am Morning Service - Rev Phil Horner
Collection for NOAH

Sunday 29th

- 11.00am Morning Service Betwixt & Between
A 45 minute service led by Lorna Martin
No Sunday School

January 2014 Sunday 5th

- 11.00am Morning Service Rev Bob Forrest
11.00am Sunday School

Tuesday 7th

- 7.30pm Bible Study - Rev Bob Forrest

Sunday 12th

- 11.00am Morning Service - Rev Phil Horner
11.00am Sunday School Covenant Service

Tuesday 14th

- 10.00am/12.00pm 'Cakes & Company'

Sunday 18th

- 11.00am Morning Service - Martin Wallis
11.00am Sunday School

Monday 20th

- 7.30pm Fellowship Meeting - Mike Bull

Sunday 26th

- 11.00am Morning Service: Mrs Jean Forrest
11.00am Sunday School

Wednesday 29th

- 7.30pm Coffee Evening
In aid of Action for Children



Aley Green will be hosting the Advent Ecumenical Service and afternoon tea on 1st December, everyone welcome.

Our morning service on Sunday 8th December will be led by our former minister Rev Julia Dowding when she will conduct the christening of her grandchild within the service. It will be lovely to catch up with Julia and her family.

We invite you to join us over the Festive Season. At the Coffee Morning on Saturday 14th December we will be serving Bacon Butties, Sausage Rolls & Cakes and from 11.30 to 1pm light lunches. There will be a Christmas tombola, preserves & cakes for sale. All profits will be shared between LAMP & NOAH. Why not join us for one of our studies or services, maybe the Children's Nativity on Sunday 15th at 4pm. Its always a joy to see the young people act out the special story. The Candle Light Carol service on Tuesday 17th, will be followed by hot drinks sausage rolls and mince pies.

Help us put **Christ** back into **Christmas** and remind people that

'Jesus is the reason for the season'

May peace and joy be with you at Christmas and throughout the New Year

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Parish Council News

You have probably heard that one of our Ward Councillors Mrs Ruth Gammons has resigned. Her husband is very ill and she needs the time to look after him properly,



Cllr Ruth Gammons

Ruth has fought hard for the Parish over the years and has been involved in many projects.

Ruth was first elected to South Beds DC in 2002 & elected to Central Beds in 2009 - she was a feisty Councillor who fought hard for those who elected her. We will have a by-election on the 28th November across the Parishes of Caddington, Hyde, Kensworth, Slip End, Studham & Whipsnade.

Ruth's help was instrumental in the Parish receiving a grant of £82000 towards the traffic calming project.

A very big thank you to Ruth for all she has done for us.

The Big Decision

"I'm not going to school today," was the claim of little Jack.
"It's an awful waste of time so I'm never going back."

"Teacher keeps on asking questions and I'm sure as sure can be that she does not know the answers 'cos she keeps on asking me."

After sitting deep in thought Jack jumped up in glee
"I think Id better go to school for that teacher might need me."

By Elizabeth Shankland



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Gardening Diary

Just where has this year gone, can't quite believe that here we are again almost at, dare I say it, Christmas! November was incredibly wet and I for one haven't been able to get some jobs done because it has just been too wet underfoot. Don't know about you but my lawn could have done with another cut but there was no chance with the weather so wet. Oh the joys of gardening!

Lag outdoor taps and drain hoses and spray guns until dry to prevent frost damage. If we have heavy falls of snow this winter knock the snow off the branches of trees and shrubs to prevent them from breaking under the weight of the snow. If you haven't done so already clean and lubricate mowers before putting away for the winter.

Sweet peas started under glass will require the tips pricking out above the second or third pair of leaves to encourage side shoots to develop before planting out in the spring. Remove fallen leaves from alpines and rockeries, fork over between plants with a hand fork and remove weeds.

Spray fruit trees with a tar-oil winter wash this month or next to kill eggs of pests laid earlier in the year. Tar-oil can be sprayed on all fruit except strawberries.

Although difficult to do much in the garden at this time of year, if the weather turns dry continue digging vacant ground and tidy up beds and borders. Prepare a site for runner beans by digging a trench and fill with alternate layers of manure, compost and soil, when full cover with soil and mark out with something so you know where it is.

Burn or recycle waste **but check carefully for hibernating hedgehogs before starting a bonfire**. Examine dahlia tubers, if shriveled plunge in tepid water overnight and if any are starting to rot cut off damaged part and dust with flowers of sulphate.

Keep a check for mice damage amongst stored fruit and vegetables and also amongst autumn sown peas and broad beans and take appropriate action.

It's time to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, see you in February

Russell Sprout



**SLIP END
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AGM
Monday 20th January 2014
7.45pm Village Hall**

**Guest Speaker - Ruth Hutchings
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**NEW MEMBERS WELCOME
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Slip End Gardening Club

Things have been pretty quiet over the last month, since our trip to 35 Digswell Road Welwyn Garden City in October. At the meeting on 18th November, an interesting and amusing presentation was given by Lorraine Law on "Plot to Pot", assisted by Ann Meader from Aley Green Church. The presentation was on how their jam/produce making had developed over the years. From originally using donated fruit, they had taken on allotment plots and grew their own various produce. Over the years they had raised considerable sums for

both Aley Green Church and different charities. They also brought a great variety of the various jams, marmalades and chutneys they had made which members were able to purchase.

This was followed by the annual social finger buffet provided by members and drinks to finish off the year. Planning is to start early in the new year for our 2014 programme of visits to gardens.

The Club AGM is being held on Monday 20 January at 7.45pm followed by a presentation from Speaker, Ruth Hutchings.

PN Gardening Correspondent

Tennis Club Quiz Night

The Quiz Night held on Sat. 16 Nov. was well supported (once again) by members and our “regulars”, also it was good to have some “first timers”! The Teams helped raise £200 for the Club funds.

Once again an interesting and varied quiz was prepared and presented by Peter Smith, ably assisted by his wife Margaret, who kept the scores. Thank you both very much. A welcome and deserved midway break supper of fish/chicken and chips went down very well.

The Quiz was a very close run thing, with the Stoten Gillam (Dunstable) Team “Magenta” eventually winning by two points from the Buttery (Male) Team “Deuce”. The winning team prize was a bottle of wine each. Magenta from Dunstable made up of Rosina, Lawrence, Chris and Geraldine, Rosina is retired from Stoten Gillam Accountants, (one of the advertisers in the Parish News). Newcomers “Co-op Exiles” made a good effort at their first quiz. The Hemel Hempstead Teacher’s Team got the consolation prize of

national lottery tickets for the Saturday evening. Apparently they were also unsuccessful with that.



Winning team Magenta

Thank you to everybody who supported the event, donated a raffle prize, or purchased raffle tickets. See you at the next Quiz.

Steve Lyons

Name	Total
Magenta	196
Deuce	194
Anyone for tennis	192
Decisions	189
Onwards & Upwards	180
Co-op's Exiles	173
Better Halves	166
Right on time	159

As you can see scores were very close with only 37 points between winners and losers!

We have yet to have our November Meeting with Diane Bell. She will speak on Festive Fun so we are in for a surprise!

Further to our October meeting we are all recycling our goods - at least it made us very mindful of the use of recycling. During the next couple of months we have a coffee morning at Luton Hoo to look forward to, parties to attend from our other Groups and a Christmas Festivity which we are joining. In Caddington we are preparing our Tree Decorations for our tree in All Saints Church. This is usually well attended.

The Darts team has won its last four matches and are doing very well. Keep practicing ladies!

Date for your Diary: Tuesday 10th December at 7.30 p.m. at the Baptist Church Hall, the Dunstable Ladies Choir will be performing for us with Christmas songs and carols. Tickets £4 including refreshments. There will be a raffle, too. Do join us as it is a lovely evening.

At our December meeting our usual Christmas Post Box for cards will be made ready, also a gift (this will be the competition for the month) given from one member to another member - a surprise for us all. The tables will be laden with food and we look forward to an entertaining social evening.

You are very welcome to join us on the third Tuesday of each month at 7.30 p.m. at the Baptist Church Hall.

Linda Edwards



A very good attendance welcomed Luton South M.P. Gavin Shuker wife Lucie and 4 month old Ruby to the Lunch Club on Wednesday 13th November. The toast to Ruby 'A long and happy life' was proposed by Ken Cameron and a pink soft cuddly toy presented by Pat Ingray.

During the interval between a tasty cottage pie and a sweet of fruit jelly Gavin gave an amusing talk on Life in Parliament, Iris Boucher then presented Lucie with a bouquet of flowers.

All is well in hand for the joint Christmas Bazaar. FHM, St John's Anglicans, World Wide Church and Farley Bears Nursery combining on Saturday 7th December 12 noon to 4pm at Farley Hill Methodist Church North Drift Way

A Santa's Grotto, Christmas gifts, nearly new clothing, home made cakes, marmalade chutney, tombola, bric a brac, bottle stall, books a jumble stall, teas food and there is a supervised children's play area. In addition a superb Christmas Raffle with hampers and other goodies, face paint and henna artistes await the customers. It promises to be a splendid afternoon.

St John's Anglicans are promoting a Caribbean Christmas Dinner on Saturday 14th December 4pm to 9.30 with music and dancing. Tickets from Shirley 01582 652061.

Wednesday 11th December 12.30 for 1pm the FHM Christmas Lunch turkey and all the trimmings carol singing with Sheila Lathwell on the piano for added enjoyment. Non regulars should contact Ken on 1582 456594.

*Ken Cameron
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December 2013



It is hard to believe that is nearly Christmas. As ever, we have managed to fit so much into the term!

Please sing to the 12 days of Christmas...

On the first week of term at Caddington Village School we learnt how to start the term afresh.

On the second week of term at Caddington Village School we learnt how to plan and draft, and how to start the term afresh.

On the third week of term at Caddington Village School we learnt how to sell cakes, how to plan and draft, and how to start the term afresh.

On the fourth week of term at Caddington Village School our parents learnt our maths skills, how to sell cakes, how to plan and draft, and how to start the term afresh.

On the fifth week of term at Caddington Village School Mum learnt how to write, parents learnt our maths skills, how to sell cakes, how to plan and draft, and how to start the term afresh.

On the sixth week of term at Caddington Village School we gave to Luton Food Bank, Mum learnt how to write, parents learnt our maths skills, how to sell cakes, how to plan and draft, and how to start the term afresh.

On the seventh week of term at Caddington Village School we looked forward to a week at home! We gave to Luton Food Bank, Mum learnt how to write, parents learnt our maths skills, how to sell cakes, how to plan and draft, and how to start the term afresh.

On the eighth week of term at Caddington Village School we opened the new changing rooms, looked forward to a week at home! We gave to Luton Food Bank, Mum learnt how to write, parents learnt our maths skills,

how to sell cakes, how to plan and draft, and how to start the term afresh.

On the ninth week of term at Caddington Village School, we let off lots of fireworks, opened the new changing rooms, looked forward to a week at home! We gave to Luton Food Bank, Mum learnt how to write, parents learnt our maths skills, how to sell cakes, how to plan and draft, and how to start the term afresh.

On the tenth week of term at Caddington Village School, we all wore our mufti, let off lots of fireworks, opened the new changing rooms, looked forward to a week at home! We gave to Luton Food Bank, Mum learnt how to write, parents learnt our maths skills, how to sell cakes, how to plan and draft, and how to start the term afresh.

On the eleventh week of term at Caddington Village School we remembered those who gave, all wore our mufti, let off lots of fireworks, opened the new changing rooms, looked forward to a week at home! We gave to Luton Food Bank, Mum learnt how to write, parents learnt our maths skills, how to sell cakes, how to plan and draft, and how to start the term afresh.

On the twelfth week of term at Caddington Village School, Year 6 sat their mocks (we made our tree for the festival, we rehearsed all our plays, we practiced our singing and continued to learn as much as we can), remembered those who gave, all wore our mufti, let off lots of fireworks, opened the new changing rooms, looked forward to a week at home! We gave to Luton Food Bank, Mum learnt how to write, parents learnt our maths skills, how to sell cakes, how to plan and draft, and how to start the term afresh.

On behalf of the pupils, staff and governors, we would like to wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a peaceful new year.



Friendship Club



Once again Paul and his crew at the Frog & Rhubarb provided us with an excellent meal of chicken or beef casserole with all the trimmings, followed by tea or coffee. He always makes us welcome and is never too busy to have a little chat with us all. Thanks to Pam King for organising everything, the members are very grateful for all that she does, even if they don't tell her as often as they should!

Thanks, Norman Homewood



1st Woodside Brownies WE WILL NOT CLOSE!

Good News! A lady came in after Brownies and asked if we were still looking for someone to take over. I took her name and phone number and passed it on to our Commissioner. They will meet with us soon. The lady is used to working with children as she teaches children with special needs. Debbie, Courtney, Zoe and I will still help to run the pack and Paula will help when she is available.

Wise Owl, Gillian Plummer

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Alfie Hazell

- article from the The Times and The Metro Thursday 7th November .

A boy from Slip End has been given a new ear built using bone and cartilage from one of his ribs.

Alfie Hazell, 10, was born with hemifacial microsomia caused by Goldenhar syndrome. He had an ear lobe on his left side, but there was no ear structure or canal.

His mother, Catherine Hazell, 41, said that the procedure, carried out at Great Ormond Street Hospital in London, had transformed her son's life.

"The new ear means that Alfie won't have to deal with people staring any more," she said.



Alfie and Catherine

Friendship Club

Our last trip for this year was on Monday 11th November where we took a coach ride down to Sevenoaks in Kent. We went to a garden centre called Polhill at Badger Mount in Sevenoaks, Kent and it is a big nursery, more like a mini shopping centre! Everyone enjoyed themselves and it was well worth the journey.

I would like to thank everyone who has supported me through the year and wish them all a Merry Christmas and New Year.

Pam King

A Car for Christmas

Danny had recently passed his driving test and decided to ask his clergyman father if there was any chance of him getting a car for Christmas, which was yet some months away. 'Okay,' said his father 'I tell you what I'll do. If you can get your 'A' level grades up to 'A's and 'B's, study your bible and get your hair cut, I'll consider the matter seriously.' A couple of months later Danny went back to his father who said 'I'm really impressed by your commitment to your studies. Your grades are excellent and the work you have put into your bible studies is very encouraging. However, I have to say I'm very disappointed that you haven't had your hair cut yet.

Danny was a smart young man who was never lost for an answer. 'Look dad. In the course of my bible studies I've noticed in the illustrations that Moses, John the Baptist, Samson and even Jesus had long hair.' 'Yes. I'm aware of that...' replied his father '... but did you also notice they walked wherever they went?'

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☆☆ again making cards in aid of ☆
☆☆ Papworth Hospital. They meet ☆
☆☆ weekly at Jeff Stray's house in ☆
☆☆ Caddington to either make ☆
☆☆ cards, sew or knit etc. ☆
☆☆ They met on 29th October and ☆
☆☆ spent the day making over 100 ☆
☆☆ Christmas, Birthday, New Baby ☆
☆☆ and general cards to be sold in ☆
☆☆ aid of the hospital. ☆
☆☆ Jeff can be seen serving up her ☆
☆☆ delicious home-made soup and ☆
☆☆ rolls followed by dessert for ☆
☆☆ all. Well done ladies, a very ☆
☆☆ good result again. ☆
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Wow! What an amazing 2 days we had at this year's Space Academy Holiday Club! We were joined by 39 young space cadets ranging in age from 3-11; and were taken through 2 intensive days of space training by Captain Fit and Captain Not-so-Fit, getting our bodies in shape with the Phaser Fitness sessions led by our newly formed St A's youth group (YALU - You Are Loved Unconditionally), and frazzling our minds with the amazing space facts shared by mad professor Buzz Brain and his particularly challenging quizzes!

This year's games were some of the maddest I have ever encountered - the game in which we had children competing to see how many cheesy puffs they could get to stick to their partner's shaving-foam-covered shower cap was a particular favourite of mine; but I'd be hard pushed to say whether that was more fun than the water balloon throwing and catching competition, or the game in which children had to retrieve jelly sweets from a pile of flour-with their teeth! Fun was definitely the name of the game!

As ever, the children heard a story develop through the 4 sessions of the club - this year it was the story of Daniel - an Old Testament character, most famous for his encounter with some pretty hungry lions! Some of the crafts the children made over the 2 days related to this story, I know we've enjoyed eating the cress that we grew in the lion pots the children

made in our house. The children also decorated plastic goblets to take home as a reminder of another section of the story.

As a team, we really enjoy having your children spend those 2 special days with us. Over the last 7 years of holiday clubs we have seen many children growing up and learning more about the wonderful, loving nature of God through their time with us. After every club, each team member is asked to contribute to a review of the club and the first thing every single team member said this year was how much they'd enjoyed themselves and how much fun they'd had.

We are very lucky at St Andrew's to have a large team of talented and dedicated people who give so much time, and energy to our children's work. It is a pleasure to work with them and a privilege to spend time getting to know the wonderful children of this village.

Roll on 2014 and...

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If after church you wait awhile
Someone may greet you with a smile.

But if you quickly rise and flee
We'll all seem cold an stiff, maybe.

The one beside you in the pew
Is perhaps a stranger too.

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With us around God's mercy seat.

(verse seen in Grasmere Methodist Church)

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Twins Amelia & Chelsea Bugler from Farley Hill, celebrated their 21st Birthday. Friends and family enjoyed a buffet and disco. Everyone who came had a wonderful time. Happy 21st Girls!!

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- **Christmas Party Nights** are taking place on the 6th, 7th, 13th, 14th and 21st December. Go along for an evening of dancing with our DJ.
- **Christmas Eve** sees the return of Elvis Rivers. This is guaranteed to be a fantastic way to welcome in Christmas.
- **Christmas Day** is already fully booked for dinner but go along and have a Christmas dink with Paul and his team. The bar will be open 12noon – 3pm.
- **Boxing Day** the pub's full menu will be available from 12noon - 5pm and the bar will be open until 6pm.
- **New Years Eve** there is a gala dinner with five-courses, bubbly at midnight and a DJ. There is also an option for those who do not wish to have the meal.
- **New Years Day** the pub's full menu will be available all day. In addition there will also be a choice of roast dinners.

For more details on any of these events contact the pub on 01582 452722 or visit their website at www.frogandrhubarb.co.uk.

In January, look out for discount vouchers for the Frog & Rhubarb coming through your letterbox. The pub will also be launching a new meal deal offering great prices on a two course dinner.

If you have an up coming celebration, get in touch with Paul at the Frog. The pub can offer a range of buffets, barbecues or sit down meals to suit every pocket. They can also arrange decorations and entertainment and there is never a hire charge.



The Rising Sun



As you will have noticed we are now open and enjoying the refurbishment with all our regular and new customers, and now offering "Home Cooked" food every day with daily specials.

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If you fancy the traditional Scampi and Chips, All day breakfast or Pie and Mash to Salads, Sandwiches or a full roast lunch on a Sunday, we cater for the whole family, including children's meals for £3.95.

We have lots of entertainment arranged for future dates, local bands, Quiz nights on a Tuesday and Karaoke.

- 16/11 - Samantha Corrigan and Guest
- 30/11 - Karaoke with Gemma
- 13/12 - Music from "Whiskey before Breakfast"
- 15/12 - music from "Banned"
- 21/12 - Karaoke with Gemma
- "New Years Eve" - 60's 70's Karaoke with fancy dress! Pop into the pub for a ticket.
- 04/01/14 - Music from "Banned"

Our Christmas Menu is now available and bookings being taken - Excellent

value at £8.95 for 2 course and £11.95 for 3 courses, and a free bottle of wine for parties of 8 or more.

Adrian and myself look forward to seeing you over the festive season and would like to wish all of our customers and the Village, A Merry Christmas and A Happy New Year.



Anne and Adrian

Social Club



Look out for the special post box which will be located at the Social Club from the 2nd of December until Christmas Eve waiting to hear from the children of the village who would like to send their Wish list to Father Christmas.



Slip End Good Neighbour Scheme and Central Beds Outreach Programme

There was a meeting at the Village Hall recently which proved very interesting. Some of you may not be aware of the services that are available to help support you in your home, and two of those services were in attendance. We heard from Geoff Comb who is Trust Administrator for the Bobby Scheme which helps elderly or vulnerable victims of crime by giving advice, support and help in improving their home security. Geoff gave many examples of how they can help and is pictured below, for more information ring 01582 394035



We also heard from Jo Haynes, (below with Brian Church) who is the Supported



Housing Officer for Central Beds.

She told us about Careline, designed to help vulnerable elderly people, Lifeline and Sheltered Housing. She can be contacted through Central Beds Council 03003008000.

Line Dancing at Mundesley

Some of the 'girls' from the Red Hot Stompers group that meets in the Village Hall every Wednesday from 10 a.m. had their annual trip to Norfolk for a long weekend of line dancing and meeting similar enthusiasts. They were joined by a group of ladies from Luton and Dunstable. They were soon settled in to their little chalets overlooking the sea.



Good fun at Halloween Night and almost everyone dressed up. Jean Anderson made a great witch! Final night was Sparkle Night which we all enjoyed—see below.



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She had 4 Husbands.....

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The interviewer looked at her, quite astonished, and asked why she had

married four men with such diverse careers.

(Wait for it)

She smiled and explained, "I married one for the money, two for the show, three to get ready, and four to go."

Local Taxi suggestions?

We have been asked to include a few taxi numbers in the magazine - if anyone knows a local firm they consider good value and reliable then let us know and we will see if we have space to squeeze in a phone number or two. We don't want to choose anyone at random without knowing if they may be trustworthy....



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please contact the Editor**

DEC

- Mon 2nd Parish Council Meeting Village Hall 7pm
Tues 3rd Camera Club at Social Club
Wed 4th Final Youth Club of term
Thurs 5th Bingo - Village Hall
Sat 7th FoSELS Christmas Fayre Slip End Lower School Times TBC
Tues 10th CPG Meeting Slip End Social Club 7:30pm
Camera Club at Social Club 8pm
Fri 13th Youth Club Pantomime Visit—Dick Whittington at Grove Theatre
Tues 17th W I Christmas Social Evening Baptist Hall 7.30pm
Camera Club at Social Club Christmas Party
Thurs 19th Bingo (& Christmas Draw) — Village Hall (Carol singing around village
with St Andrew's)
Tues 24th Camera Club at Social Club ?



JAN 2014

- Sun 5th Grill a Bishop at Frog & Rhubarb from 12.30pm
Mon 6th Parish Council Meeting Village Hall 7pm
Tues 7th Camera Club at Social Club
Tues 8th CPG Meeting Slip End Social Club 7:30pm
Tues 14th Camera Club at Social Club
Mon 20th AGM Gardening Club Village Hall 7.45pm
Old Warden Swiss Garden - W.I. Baptist Hall 7.30pm
Tues 21st Camera Club at Social Club
Tues 28th Camera Club at Social Club



FEB

- 18th Boccia at W.I. Baptist Hall 7.30pm



Wheelie Bins:- Black Bins & glass: Put out on Friday 6th, 20th Dec . 3rd Jan, now Sat 4th
Green and Orange Bins: Put out on Friday 13th. 27th Dec, now Sat 28th

Don't forget to advertise your events here!

Please contact us with details of events to add to our diary so that everyone in the community can read about what is on in the Parish and hopefully avoid any clash of dates for events!

**Merry
Christmas**



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(Adverts by 10th please)

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