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&
ST. BARTHOLOMEW'S, EGDEAN**

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From BISHOP MARTIN



**Proclaiming the
Mystery of Faith
2023-2025**

Next year is the first of two special years

Year of the Old Testament - 'Proclaiming the Mystery of Faith' is the headline title for the three-year programme that has now started in the diocese.

[2024 will be the Year of the New Testament] leading up to the 2025 which we will keep as a special Year of Faith.

2025 celebrates 1700 years since the Council of Nicaea which gave us what became the Nicene Creed. It also marks 950 years of Christian mission in a diocese based in Chichester. Hence why the three-year programme is known as Proclaiming the Mystery of Faith.

I would like to invite everyone in the diocese to keep 2023 as a year of the Old Testament. It will reflect on the Hebrew Scriptures. We will seek to understand the Law, the Prophets and the Writings in their original context, and see more clearly how they point us towards Jesus Christ and the gospel, and to our own knowledge of him in the history of his body, the Church.

The Old Testament speaks repeatedly of God as One and as Holy.

So we hope that this Year will help us to understand how the Old Testament guides the Church to be 'one and 'holy: the first two of the 'marks of the Church' and part of our diocesan strategy.

+ Martin

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IS
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A Very Happy New Year to Everyone

Parish Magazine Annual Subscriptions for Egdean 2023:

A reminder that I am collecting the annual £5 subscriptions for the Parish Magazines that I deliver. Also please let me know if you would like to be added to the circulation list.

Christingle Family Service

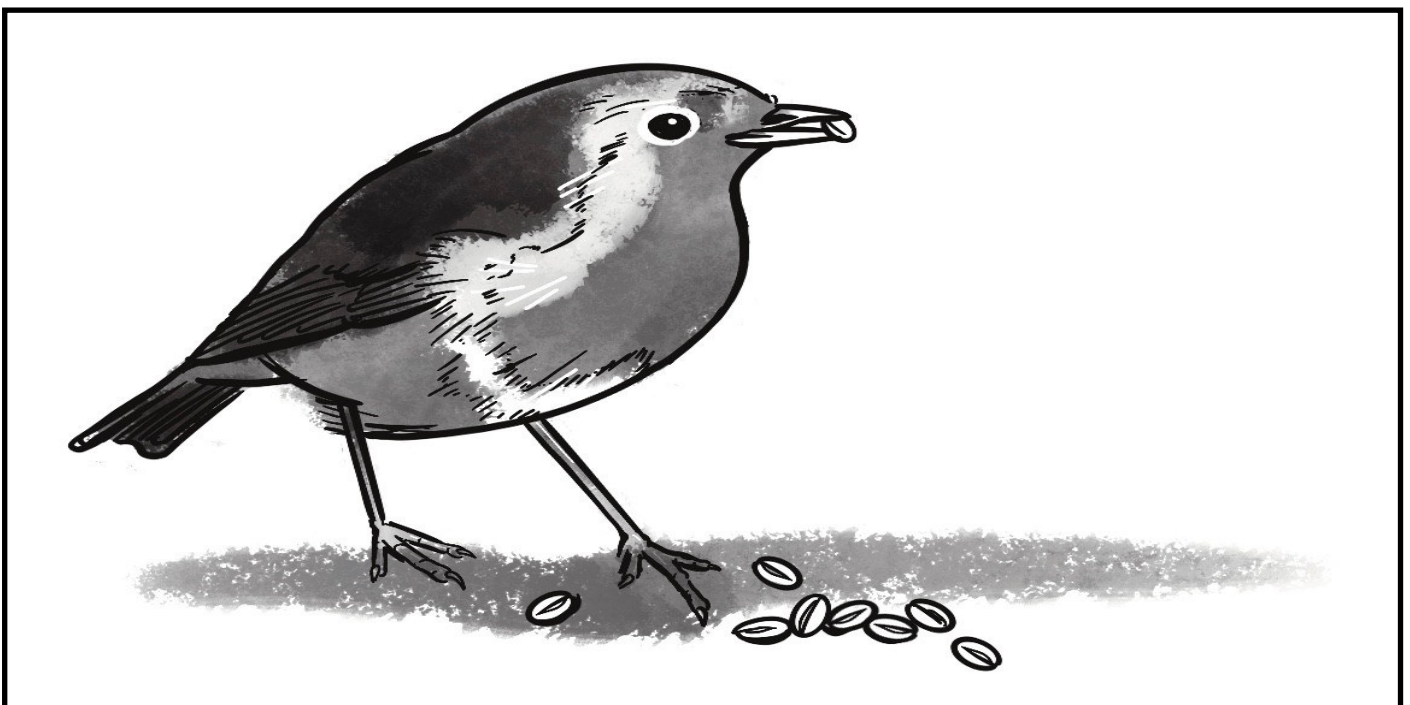
18 people attended our Christingle Service and everyone took home their own decorated symbolic orange. The collection raised £76 for The Children's Society, we are also collected in our Children Society boxes for their annual end of year emptying.

Anyone who would like to hold a Children's Society box in their own home for loose change please let me know.

Come and join us for the next Family Service on Sunday 8th January at 9.15 to celebrate Epiphany - The Three Kings.

Christine Dallyn

Hon Secretary to Egdean PCC



MAGAZINE SUBSCRIPTIONS

Now is the time of year when your magazine subscription is due.

Many thanks to those who deliver the magazines. If you have your magazine delivered please have your £5 ready when you receive your copy. For those of you who receive your magazine by post sadly, due to the increase in postal rates, we have had to increase the cost to £15. Can you please send your cheque to me, made payable to 'Petworth PCC St Mary the Virgin Church'.

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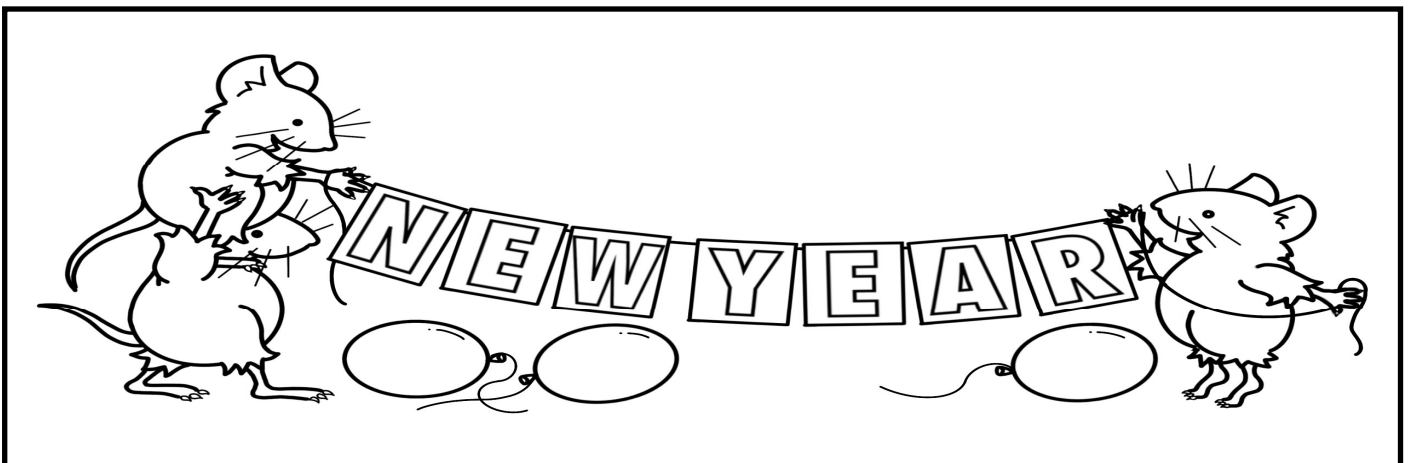
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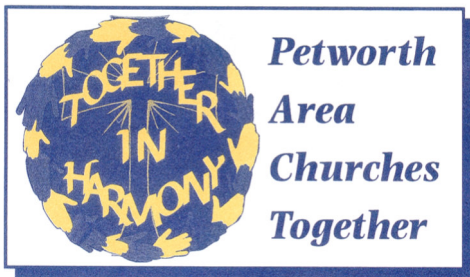
Carole Field

PETWORTH LUNCH CLUB

Petworth Lunch Club will meet in the URC Hall on Tuesday 10th January at 12 noon when we will enjoy a warming beef stew with dumplings to keep out the cold! Pudding to be decided. All for £7.50 - tea and coffee included.

Booking essential through Caroline on 342942.





P A C T N E W S

Petworth Area Churches Together *working together in harmony*

JANUARY NEWS

Our Church Unity Service on Sunday 22nd January will be held at the beautiful Grade 1 Tillington Church GU28 9AF - one mile from Petworth.

The church is the only church in the country painted both by John Constable and JWM Turner. It is also just one of three in England with a Scots Crown on top of its tower, thus being a landmark, especially when seen from the A272.

The Service starts at 3.00 pm and will be led by Rev'd Dr David Crook, priest-in-charge of the Parishes of Duncton, Fittleworth, Stopham, Tillington and Upwaltham.

All are welcome to celebrate our strap line - '*working together in harmony*'. Refreshments afterwards.

As mentioned last time, after three years Bob Sneller has stepped back as Chairman and Hugh Rolfe of the Sacred Heart RC Church in Petworth was elected.

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PETWORTH & DISTRICT OVER 60S CENTRE **The Friendship Centre**

The Over 60s Centre will open on Tuesday 3rd January after the Christmas and New Year Break and the minibus will be available to bring members in. There will be a bingo session on Wednesday 18th at 2.00 pm, again the minibus will be available. We are still only open on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday mornings as we don't have enough help on the rota - please let us know if you can offer some of your time.

We are hoping to plant our memorial tree on Wednesday 11th January - information will be posted in the Centre.

Caroline Stoneman

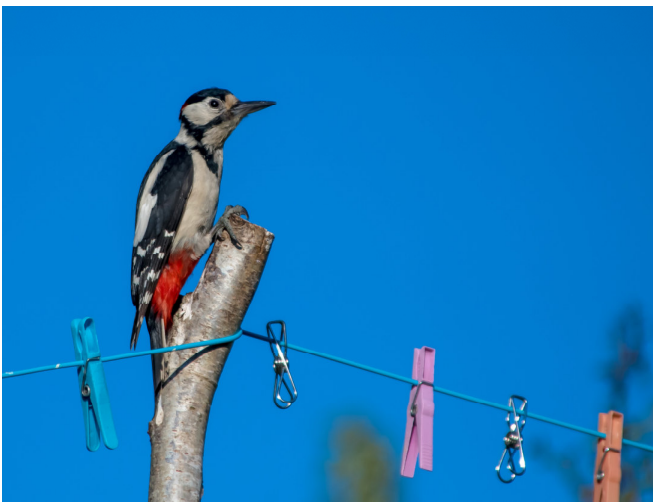
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Great Spotted Woodpecker

by Michael Blencowe of the Sussex Wildlife Trust

My New Year's resolution is to try and be more positive about the future - but I already feel like banging my head repeatedly against a tree. Standing out in the street this morning, I heard a noise that reassured me that I'm not alone.

The drumming of the Great Spotted Woodpecker is a familiar sound throughout



February, surely earning this striking black and white bird the reputation as one of Britain's most famous drummers along with Ringo Starr and Phil Collins. The bird's drumming serves an important function because the Great Spotted Woodpecker realises it can't sing and doesn't attempt to. Sadly, the same can't be said for Ringo Starr and Phil Collins. Instead, its drumroll is a percussive proclamation that hammers home the message to other male woodpeckers to stay away from its

territory in the treetops. It also serves to drum up support from female woodpeckers in the vicinity who may be looking for a pied partner.

This 'song' may not be as sweet as the melodies sung by the Robin or Blackbird but it still gets its message across. Indeed, the drumming can carry the bird's message across half a mile of countryside, with a male broadcasting up to 600 drumrolls a day. Each drumroll consists of up to 10-16 beats, typically in a one second burst. Of course, if I did attempt to take my frustrations out on a tree in a similar way, I'd suffer some form of concussion - but woodpeckers are specially designed to avoid this by having shock absorbent tissue between the base of their bill and their strengthened skulls to cushion the impact.

Their incredible beak is more than just a drumstick, it's also a pickaxe which allows them to chip away at trunks to excavate their own nest hole; and a chisel with which the woodpecker prises open tree bark to find food.



That mighty beak is a formidable weapon too, which sends other birds on the peanut feeder scarping pretty sharpish. And Great Spotted Woodpeckers are becoming more greatly spotted, as it is a British bird which is actually increasing in numbers. The pecker's population leapt in the seventies and nineties, with some estimates stating they have increased by 300% over the past five decades. The availability of dead wood thanks to Dutch Elm Disease and the availability of peanuts thanks to British bird lovers being among of the reasons for this increase. See, I ended the article on a positive note, maybe I won't break my New Year's resolution after all. Well done to me, I'm feeling upbeat about the future. Now to put the kettle on, put my feet up, and turn on the news...

FOODBANK

Urgently needed items for Chichester District Foodbank (Trussell Trust)

The donation points in Petworth are at: the Co-op, Petworth Primary School and the Sacred Heart Church.

We run low in all types of food stock in January. We'd be very grateful for:

All types of long-life food that are in-date and unopened
Due to 'Natasha's Law' (a law brought in to protect allergy sufferers), the foodbank is unable to accept items without a full ingredients list.

If you'd prefer to donate money online, then please go to:
<https://chichesterdistrict.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-money>

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

Do you need help from the Foodbank?

We aim to get food parcels out to people as quickly as possible but please be aware it may take 2 – 3 days.

Full details on how to get help can be found at:
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You'll need a voucher to get a food parcel. Vouchers can be issued by schools, GPs, housing support officers, social prescribers, social workers, health visitors, your local vicar or priest, local charities etc.

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Citizens Advice on freephone: 0808 278 7969 or
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The Petworth Village Minibus will be doing shopping trips on Friday 6th and on Friday 20th January both to Worthing and The Trading Post at Barnham, unless passengers would like to go somewhere else, and weather permitting. There are also trips to the Friendship Centre (Petworth Over 60s) on Tuesday mornings and Bingo on 18th at 2.00 pm.

Subscriptions are due in January and will be £10.00 for individual members and £40.00 for Affiliate members. Please pay the escort on your first trip.

Affiliate membership is for clubs and organisations who might like to use the bus to take a group of their members on outings or trips (pub lunches, etc). This entitles their members to use the bus for these specific trips without becoming individual members. Affiliates would be expected to have their own driver although in some cases a driver could be provided.

For booking and further details please contact local organiser
Caroline Stoneman on 01798 342942

A NEW YEAR VIEW

This New Year's actions must be bold to last,
Be brave with change; use lessons from the past.
Take care while dancing to the piper's tune,
Beware of the elephant in the room.

Changes to patterns of forward thinking,
Working together must stop islands sinking.
Turning things round as an art is surprising;
For 'islands sinking' read 'waters rising'.

Make lots of friends whether young or old,
Friendships at all life's stages are pure gold.
Kindness and thanks are above parsimony,
Discord is no path to life's harmony.

As church bells ring their music to our ears,
God bless you all and a Happy New Year!

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The Arts Society West Sussex

THERE IS NO TALK IN JANUARY

On Tuesday February 7th, Louise Schofield will give a talk on
'Travels with a Trowel'
Adventures of an Archaeologist

**This richly illustrated talk will take us to a mysterious city
in southern Albania, to two great rivers in Mesopotamia and
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www.theartsocietywestsussex.org**



FAMILY SUPPORT WORK

Here we are with the last update of the year. It has been a challenging year in so many ways, as the problems facing our families have worsened, and referrals have shot through the roof. But we have been encouraged in so many ways, particularly with the expansion of our practitioner team earlier in the year and our ability to support even more families.

December saw Christmas parties across the county and over 160 Christmas hampers delivered to families. We were so grateful for all the wonderful donations we received which enabled us to really send special packages to our families, as well as appropriate toys for children and gifts for parents. Our carol service at Ashburnham was attended by many supporters old and new, and we are grateful to Revd Gary Cregeen at St Peter's for all of his support.

We know that 2023 will bring new challenges for the families we support, particularly regarding financial issues and obtaining support for children with additional needs – these are themes that have already been at the forefront of our work but we know will cause even more stress and worry. However, we are really seeing an increase in people wanting to help us in so many ways – through volunteering, fundraising or simply telling people about what we do. We have to thank all of you for everything that you continue to do in these areas – we simply couldn't be as effective as we are without this wonderful community around us.

We are looking forward to many events in 2023 including our annual sponsored walks as usual, but also some new events which we hope will be of interest to many of you. We will of course share details of these as soon as we can. It only remains for me to wish you all a very happy Christmas and a peaceful New Year.

November's work in numbers

- 299 individual visits and 900 calls with families supporting 265 adults and 224 children
- 75 supported meetings with other agencies
- 65 group sessions held supporting 608 parents and 274 children
- 84 food deliveries made

Prayer points

- Pray for all the families who will find Christmas particularly difficult this year as a result of bereavements and family breakdowns
- Pray for all of FSW's staff, that they will be able to relax and enjoy time spent with their own families
- Give thanks for the generosity of so many people to our Winter Fuel campaign
- Pray for our new student social workers who will be joining us in January for their placements

Nikki Kerr, FSW Director of Fundraising and Marketing

SPORTS QUIZ

- 1. Snooker:** Which Welshman has three world titles to his name?
- 2. Darts:** Which ex-player was known as 'One Dart'?
- 3. Cricket:** Who scored a triple hundred in a test match vs England at The Oval in 2011? He was South African.
- 4. Tennis:** What nationality is new US Open champion Carlos Alcaraz?
- 5. Football:** What was the nickname of former Italian footballer Gennaro Gattuso?
- 6. Table-Tennis:** Which country are renowned for their table-tennis ability more than any other nation?
- 7. WWE Wrestling:** Which late WWE wrestler was also referred to as 'Latino Heat'?
- 8. Golf:** Bubba Watson won Which tournament in 2012 and 2014?
- 9. Rugby Union:** How many points are awarded for a penalty?
- 10. Formula One:** What make of car does Charles LeClerc drive?

Mark Thomas

Answers at the back of the magazine

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Wednesday 1st February
PEGGY GUGGENHEIM
By Alexandra Epps

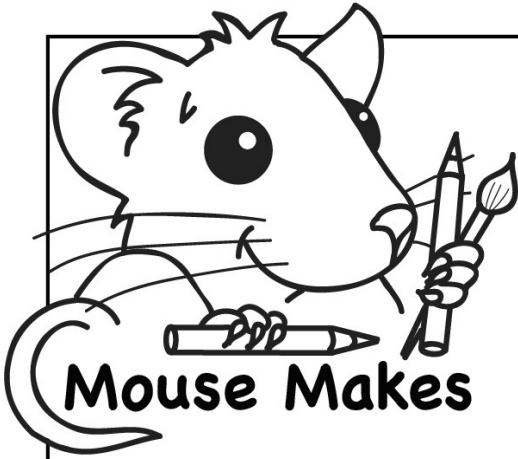
Talks are in Fittleworth Village Hall, RH20 1JB
10.30 am for Starting time **10.45 am**, preceded by coffee from **09.50 am**
Members Free Visitors £7

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Not only was Peggy Guggenheim ahead of her time but she was the woman who helped define it. She discovered and nurtured a new generation of artists producing a new kind of art. Through collecting not only art but the artists themselves, her life was as radical as her collection.





A JOURNEY TO BETHLEHEM



When the **Magi** (wise men) came to **Bethlehem** where had they travelled from?

The _____

Why did they make the journey?

What did they follow to get there?

A _____

What did they see?

Read *Matthew 2:1-12*



Why did **Joseph** and **Mary** travel to **Bethlehem**?

Read *Luke 2:1-4*

When **Samuel** came to **Bethlehem** who sent him? Who did he go to see?
_____ and his sons.

Who had he come to anoint as king?

Read *1 Samuel 16:1-13*



Naomi and **Ruth** came to **Bethlehem** where had they travelled from?

_____ and why?

When did they arrive?

At the _____ harvest.

Read *Ruth 1:22*

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B E T H L E H E M I Y M A G I

The name **BETHLEHEM** means 'House of Bread'

Look up the Bible references to find the missing words, find them and these words below in the wordsearch

JOURNEY
BETHLEHEM • GOD
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JESUS • BORN
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1st MARY THE MOTHER OF GOD
Numbers 6.22-27, Galatians 4.4-7, Luke 2.15-21
 Holy Eucharist 8.00 am
 No service at Egdean
 Parish Eucharist 10.30 am

8th THE EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD
Isaiah 60.1-6, Ephesians 3.1-12, Matthew 2.1-12
 Holy Eucharist 8.00 am
 Family Service at Egdean 9.15 am
 Jubilate Family Mass 10.30 am

15th THE SECOND SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
Isaiah 49.1-7, 1 Corinthians 1.1-9, John 1.29-42
 Holy Eucharist 8.00 am
 Parish Eucharist (Egdean) (BCP) 9.00 am
 Parish Eucharist 10.30 am

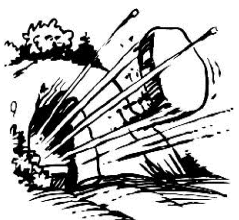
22nd THE THIRD SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
Isaiah 9.1-4, 1 Corinthians 1.10-18, Matthew 4.12-23
 Holy Eucharist 8.00 am
 Parish Eucharist (Egdean) (BCP) 9.00 am
 Parish Eucharist 10.30 am

PACT UNITY SERVICE 3.00 pm at All Hallows, Tillington

29th CANDLEMASS
Malachi 3.1-5, Hebrews 2.14-18, Luke 2.22-40
 Holy Eucharist 8.00 am
 Parish Eucharist at Egdean 9.00 am
 Parish Mass and Procession 10.30 am

WEEKDAY SERVICES

Tuesday	Holy Eucharist	9.00 am
Wednesday	Holy Eucharist	9.00 am
Thursday	Holy Eucharist	9.00 am
Friday	Holy Eucharist	9.00 am



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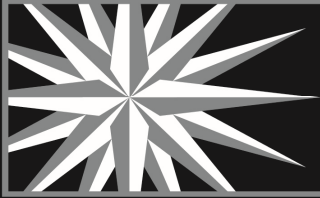
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HOLY BAPTISM

We welcome into the family of our church

BETSIE MABEL JOAN WHITE who was baptised at St Mary's on 27th November.

HOLY MATRIMONY

We offer our congratulations

PAUL WILLIAM WHITE and **ZOE ANTONIA CARVER** from East Street following their marriage at St Mary's on 27th November.

LIVES REMEMBERED

We recall the life of **CYRIL HAMILTON** from Littlecote who sadly passed away suddenly at St Richards hospital after being taken ill at his home.

His growing up years were spent at the family home in Hampers Green from where he attended our local schools. He had been a familiar figure around Littlecote where he lived in his late mother's home for a number of years.

The committal service was held at Worthing crematorium on 29th November.

The parish was saddened to learn of the passing of **ROBERT GRIERSON JENKINS**.

Born in South Wales, Rob ran Heath End stores for a number of years before joining Alan Sutton's chauffeur business, which he took over in 2019.

Known for his kindness and much loved by many, he became much involved in the community, serving many local customers, often doing far more than driving for those in need of support and friendship. He leaves three daughters. Ellie, Annie and 8 year old Hope.

The committal took place at Gwent crematorium in South Wales on 20th December.

A SECRET WEDDING

In what was probably a first for St Mary's we recently held a joint Baptism and Wedding service.

It came as a surprise to the 60 plus guests who had assembled for a baptism. The Godparents were all seated in the front pew waiting for the service to begin when, unbeknown to those present, the bride arrived escorted down the aisle by her father.

It was a joyous occasion and we wish parents and daughter Betsie every happiness for the future.

Answers to the Quiz

1. Mark Williams
2. Peter Manley
3. Hashim Amla
4. Spanish
5. 'The Terrier'
6. China
7. Eddie Guerrero
8. The Masters
9. Three
10. Ferrari

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MIDHURST ROITHER COLLEGE

Charity is always at the heart of MRC with numerous fundraisings and events throughout the academic year. Back in October, students supported Wear Something Yellow Day, raising funds for the Young Minds charity. At the recent fireworks event a Community Bar raised almost £700, which has been divided between the MRC Parents Association and the Midhurst Community, who have used their share to purchase further large red baubles for the street decorations and presents for Santa's Grotto at the Midhurst Street Party. Children In Need this year at MRC, saw fun events throughout the week and raised in excess of £1,400. The Christmas Foodbank Collection gathered not just a vast amount food and household goods but an array of gifts and seasonal extras including books, games, socks, hats, gloves and a huge number of hot water bottles, to be added to the Christmas Foodbank boxes.

The Sixth Form leadership team oversee charity events. These events also form part of the House challenges at the College, with each of the 4 Houses choosing their own charity. Monies raised are divided equally between the 4 House charities to fairly reflect the contribution all students make to events. The chosen charities this year are Austen House - the Red Cross, Kipling House - Fareshare, Tennyson House - Stonepillow and Woolf House - Macmillan Cancer Support.

2022 arrived with its own challenges and staff and students through the year have faced these challenges head on and strived to always do their best and uphold the College values of respect, happiness and achievement.



PETWORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

Firstly, I hope you had a wonderful Christmas and a happy New Year. This period of our lives always seems so busy, with lots to fit in whilst always trying to make time for the ones who are precious in our lives. It is also a time to reflect and as well as look forward to what new adventures will occur.



School is a fantastic place as every day is different, although some children will argue that point! In the New Year we are continuing our relationship with Petworth Cricket Club as they offer a free club to our children. Also, Sylvia Beaufoy are working with us as we start a brand new club focusing on our Goblin car. A great introduction to engineering as well as consolidating the children's knowledge of green energy. The children will also get to drive the car around our school grounds.

Clubs play an important part of our school life, as we offer many different free clubs to our children. These range from sporting clubs, well-being and looking after our animals. It is always great to see our children in different situations.

Finally, our farm is very important to our children. The children learn so much by looking after the animals. Our parents are fantastic in volunteering to help over the holidays and weekends. Our next addition will be putting in proper fencing, which would mean we could invite other schools and clubs to visit our animals and enjoy what we have every day. Therefore, we are looking for sponsorship of our 'farm'. If you know of anyone or business, who would like to be involved in sponsoring an animal or an animal pen, please contact our school, so we can discuss. Thank you.

