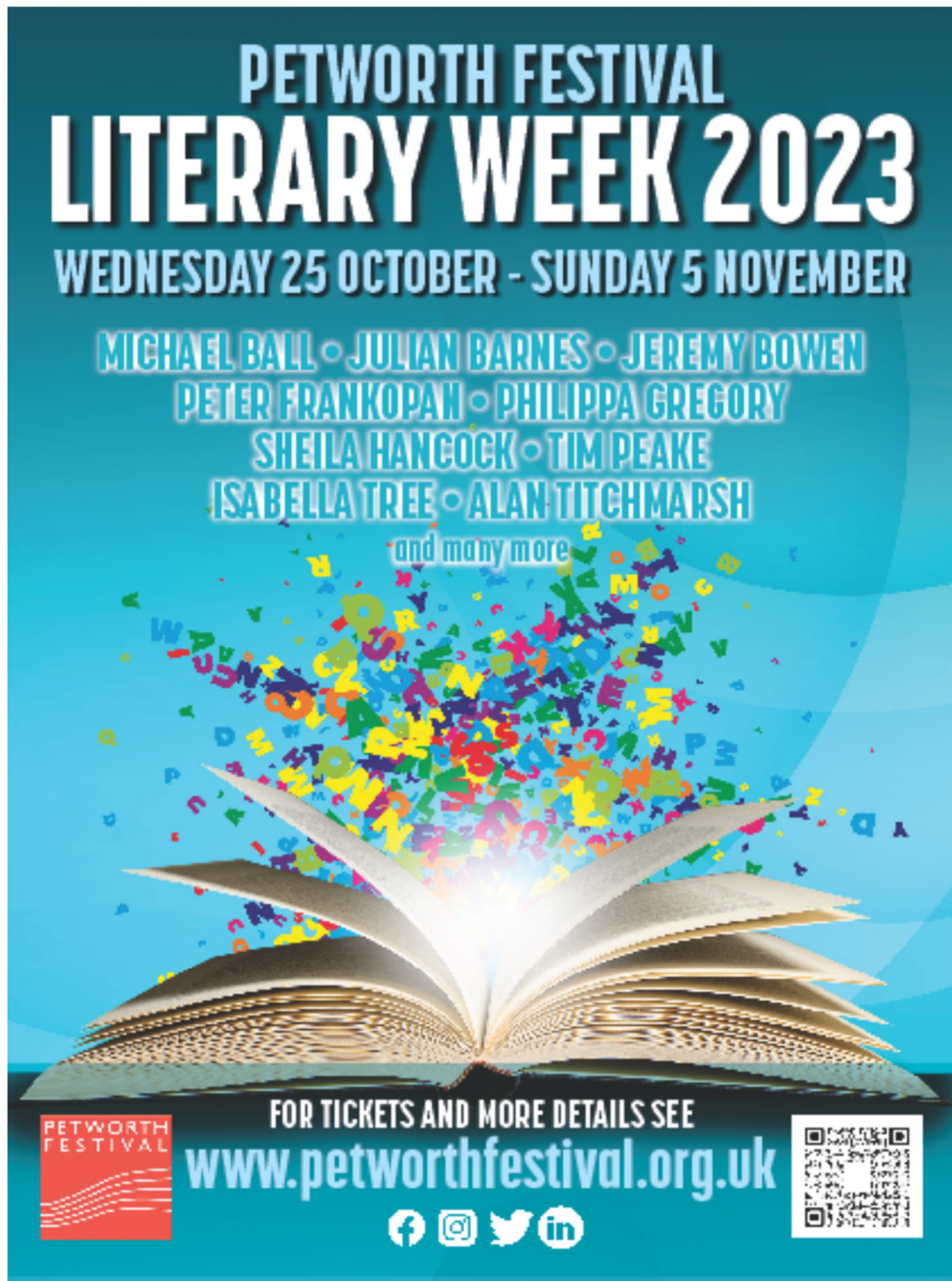


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OCTOBER 2023



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LITERARY WEEK 2023
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At the Hampers Green Hall

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FROM CANON MARK GILBERT

Dear Friends

As the leaves begin to turn to brilliant shades of red and gold, and the air carries with it the crispness of autumn, we find ourselves once again at that wonderful time of year - Harvest Season. It is a time of abundance, a time of plenty, and a time to give thanks.

I would like to take this opportunity to express my heartfelt gratitude to each and every one of you for your unwavering support and dedication to our parish community. It is through your generous hearts and tireless efforts that we continue to flourish as a loving and caring family of faith.

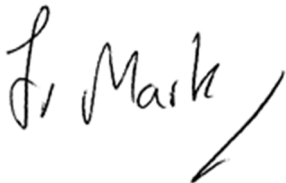
The bountiful harvest we see around us is not just the result of a fruitful season for our farmers, but also the fruits of our collective labour as a community.

Let us also remember that Harvest Season is a time to reflect on the blessings we have received throughout the year. It is a time to appreciate the simple joys of life, the warmth of family and friends, and the beauty of our natural world. Let us not take these gifts for granted but continue to cherish and nurture them.

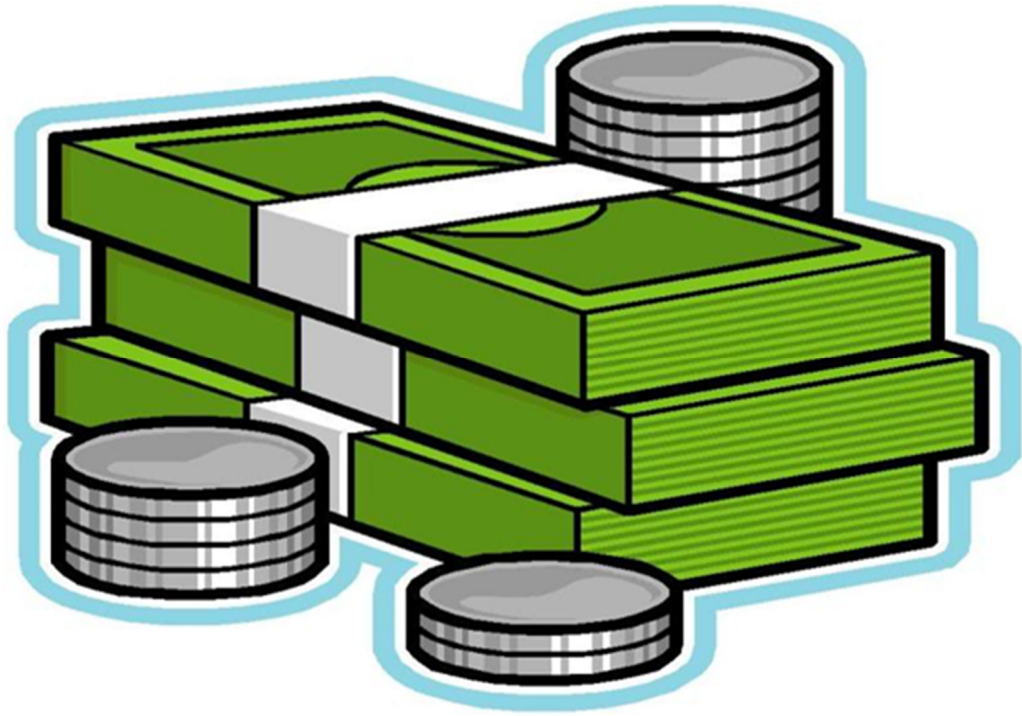
As we come together to celebrate Harvest Festival, I invite you to join me in a spirit of thanksgiving. Let us thank God for the abundant blessings He has bestowed upon us and for the opportunity to share our blessings with others. Let us also remember those who may be going through challenging times and offer them our support and prayers.

May this Harvest Season be a reminder of the importance of gratitude and community.

Wishing you all a joyful and bountiful Harvest Festival. May the season ahead be filled with love, warmth, and an abundance of blessings.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Fr. Mark" with a long, sweeping flourish extending from the end of the name.

**COPY DATE FOR THE NOVEMBER MAGAZINE
IS
MONDAY 9TH OCTOBER**



St. Mary's is in need of a Treasurer!

Can you help?

Do you love/are you good at finances?

Can you help?

Please contact Father Mark to discuss

FROM MINEHEAD TO WESTWARD HO!

I arrived in Minehead by steam train into what was obviously once a very busy station. The line now starts at Bishops Lydeard so from Taunton station there is a connecting bus. Minehead has a certain charm to it and from there the first day's walk to Porlock is fairly manageable. A 'rugged' but manageable alternative path takes a more scenic route.

On then to Lynmouth and Combe Martin, taking in Culbone on the way (with the smallest parish church in England, only accessible on foot), and Lee Abbey, where I was once taken as a babe in arms. Heavy walking days, and you have to carry your own supplies of sustenance, but one's efforts are richly rewarded, given a clear day. The weather was changeable, but I was prepared, and the view from the summit of Great Hangman was sensational. Along the way I was looked after in various guest-houses, my main bag being transferred on ahead of me.



Woolacombe (named after wolves not wool) was next, with its extensive sands used by American troops for the rehearsal for D Day. I nearly caught the bus at Saunton as the rain had been incessant all morning, but as I ate my sandwiches the weather magically improved, so I continued on.

Then on to Braunton and Instow and the Taw and Torridge estuaries. The surfing hotspots along the way all looked very smart, though a few of the towns along the North Devon coast sadly looked a bit tired and forgotten, like so many British seaside resorts.

Due to the train strike I had to come home a day early, so I took the ferry between Appledore and Instow instead of the long detour down to the bridge at Bideford. This was a welcome relief from several miles of tarmac along the old railway line, shared with people pedalling along on some strange contraptions...I had to do this last stage in reverse to catch the tide, so took a bus out to Westward Ho! and walked back round the Northam Burrows to the ferry. Westward Ho! is named after Charles Kingsley's book of the same name, which was based on the area. There was initially a Westward Ho-tel and then the name caught on more generally, although the resort is a little more modest than its exclamation mark would seem to suggest.





There were a number of record breakers on the path: the smallest church (Culbone), longest high street (Combe Martin), highest sea cliffs (Little Hangman), the oldest pub (The Ship at Porlock), and the steepest and highest water powered cliff railway in the *world* (Lynmouth to Lynton). Sadly this was the scene of a devastating flood in the 1950s, but much has been done to control the water coming down from Exmoor.

Along the way I met some interesting fellow walkers, often on several occasions. A dentistry lecturer from Newcastle, who, more sensible than I, missed

the rainy section out. There was also a couple in their late 70s from North Carolina who lived in the Appalachian mountains. They set a cracking pace and, like my godfather, have convinced me that I still have many years of long distance walking to look forward to. Though I have done quite a bit of hiking in the past, it was good to do something out of my comfort zone, although I do get itchy fingers once I have been away from the 'keyboard' for a while.



I had planned this walk some months in advance, and the Chestnut Tree fundraising aspect was an afterthought. However, I have been heartened by the response so far. I gather some people have had difficulty accessing my Justgiving page. However, if you type the following into your search engine you will be taken straight to it. Don't forget the hyphens.

matthew-cooke-1688246550005

My 86 year old father can manage Justgiving so I reckon probably just about anybody can, with help from friends or family where necessary. I can pay funds in on behalf of other people, if necessary, when given cash donations, but am not permitted to claim gift aid from other people's money, so direct online payment is preferable, if at all possible.

Matthew Cooke



The End!

St Mary the Virgin Church Petworth



Harvest Festival

10.30 Sunday 1st October

Do come and join our
Family Service
Followed by our Harvest Lunch at 12.30
Tickets £5

We look forward to welcoming you



EGDEAN CHURCH HARVEST SUPPER

FRIDAY 6TH OCTOBER AT 7.00 PM

IN

**MONCRIEFF-BRAY GALLERY
WOODRUFF LANE, EGDEAN**



Dress Code: Casual with Harvest Hat!

Drinks Bar

Raffle

£20/head

**Booking and payment in advance to Christine:
christinedallyn@hotmail.com or 01798-343454**

PETWORTH LITERARY FESTIVAL

Capitalising on the major success that was last year's Petworth Festival Literary Week, a roster of genuinely household names has been lined up for the 2023 edition. Covering the widest possible range of books and authors, the near-fortnight of events will see events featuring top fiction writers Philippa Gregory and Julian Barnes; autobiographies from Michael Ball and Sheila Hancock; top journalists Justin Webb and Jeremy Bowen; historians Peter Frankopan and Robert Hardman; and new volumes on gardening from Alan Titchmarsh and Sarah Raven - and that's before mentioning British astronaut Tim Peake, and the rewilding and sustainable food gurus, Isabella Tree and Henry Dimbleby. In other words a remarkable fortnight of conversation and debate is anticipated come the end of October.



Michael Ball

Commenting on the programme, Petworth Artistic Director Stewart Collins is pretty bullish about prospects. 'We have seen a real growth in interest in the literary week over the last few years and this is unquestionably being recognised at the national level as more and more leading authors welcome the invitation to join us in our beautiful part of the world. I'd like to think we have a real treat in prospect: 40 riveting events over twelve packed days.'

Box Office at - www.petworthfestival.org.uk



Tim Peake
Photo credit:
Alex Chamberlin



Sheila Hancock
Photo credit:
Pal Hansen – The Observer

GIFT DAY 2023

This year's Gift Day is on Saturday 30th September. Our regular supporters will already have received their letters inviting their support. I am afraid that we need considerably more as St. Mary's financial position is in deficit! So please give generously!

You can donate online by using the link on our website, shown below, if you wish: <http://www.stmaryspetworth.org.uk/Finances.html>

You can pay using on line banking to the following account:

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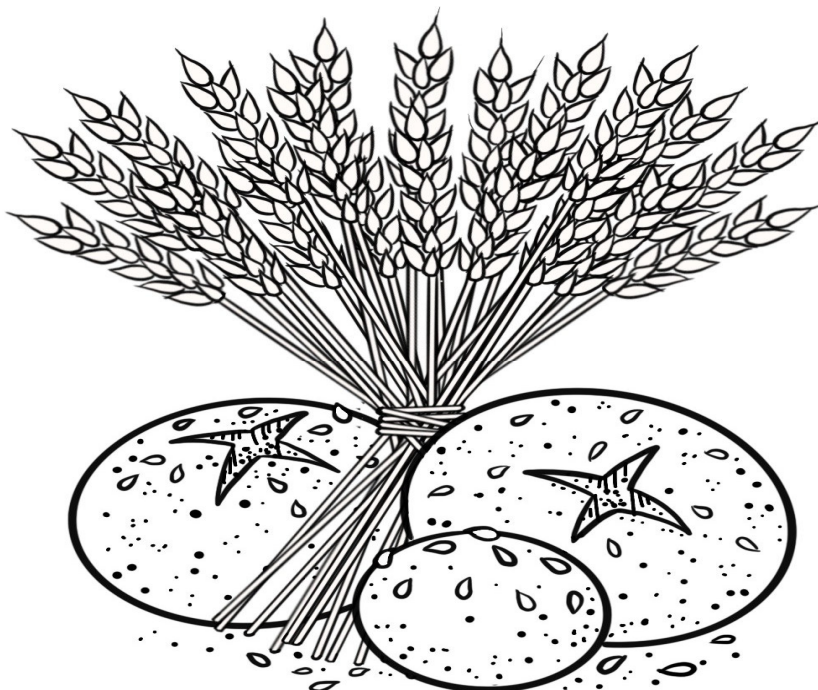
Or you can pay by cash or cheque, either by coming to St. Mary's between 10.00 am and 2.00 pm on Saturday 30th, or depositing your gift in the 'glass-topped' donations box just inside the church at any time.

It's never too late - no donation will be refused because it's late!

Thanking you in anticipation.....

Judy Howard

Secretary to the PCC



ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH, EGDEAN

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NB: Gift Aid forms are available in Church or from our Treasurer

NOTICES:

Sunday 1st October 9.15 am Harvest Festival

We will be decorating the church for Harvest from 9.30 am on Friday 29th September, please come and join us if you would like to help.

**Friday 6th October 7.00 pm Harvest Supper Woodruffs Barn £20/head
You are invited to wear a Harvest Hat**

Booking and payment in advance to Christine.

Christine Dallyn

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PCC MEETING REPORT

At the meeting held on 14th September Christine reported that the Church roof repair works has been completed, but unfortunately when the scaffolding was removed we suffered two broken window panes on the vestry window which was reported to BJN Roofing. Christine will research suitable replacement obscure glass to match and will enquire from the firm that restored the 'Shepherd' window.

Roger reported on the Church Working Party which had been well supported and a lot was achieved. The Church gates, noticeboard, porch and bench seats were sanded and all treated with timber preservative by Monica, Christine, Robert and Roger. Dougie Cox brushed away the high level cobwebs below the bell area and cleared and brushed out the church gullies. Richard Hodgson strimmed an area of the old churchyard and cut the side of the tall beech hedge in the new churchyard. Jenny Mottram cleaned the brass crosses and candlesticks and Jenny Walker trimmed around the headstones in the old churchyard.

The Treasurer circulated his financial update, he reported that there is £5,055.55 in the current account and £14,608.71 in the reserve account and that £2,293.59 had been reclaimed from HMRC through gift aid for the year 2022/23.

Lucy reported on the last Deanery Synod meeting held on 17th May which had been a most interesting meeting with the speaker, Dr Kathrine Prior, speaking about helpful ways to apply for different grants for works to church buildings. She mentioned several places to apply, in particular, The Prince's Trust for rural churches.

The Services were discussed and the following were agreed:

Harvest Festival Collection - The PCC approved that it should go to the local Food Bank.

Christmas Services

Carol Service Sunday 17th December at 4 pm

No service on Christmas Eve

Monday 25th December Christmas Day Family Eucharist with Carols at 9 am

Sunday 31st December Eucharist 9 am

Topics for the Family Praise Services were agreed as follows:

7th January	Epiphany
4th February	Candlemas
10th March	Mothering Sunday
7th April	-

Lucy put forward that the Lent Book next year could be 'The Great Passion' by James Runcie and that the April Service could be about the true story after everyone has read it. It was agreed to order the book for Lent and Fr Mark will consider if it can be incorporated into a service for April.

5th May	Rogation
2nd June	'Give us our Daily Bread'

It was approved that Roger/Christine should have access to the online church bank account to view transactions so that when we are fundraising it is easier to know who has paid direct, also useful when the Treasurer is unavailable.

The date for the next PCC Meeting was arranged for Thursday 18th January 2024.

Christine Dallyn

Hon Secretary to Egdean PCC

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ST MARY'S COFFEE MORNINGS

The Coffee morning on Saturday 9th September raised £212.60 for Church Funds. Many thanks to all who helped, came and spent.

The next Coffee Morning will be on Saturday 14th October, 10.00 am to 12 noon, with the usual sales table, raffle and refreshments.

Jean Huggett and Jackie Smith



You are welcome to join us for a free family breakfast at 9:15-10:15 am at St. Mary's Petworth. Followed by family jubilate service on Sunday 1st of October!

PETWORTH & DISTRICT OVER 60S CENTRE The Friendship Centre

You may have noticed that work has been going on in Trump Alley. This is to provide a smooth access to the Friendship Centre, doing away with some of the cobbles that make walking and pushing a mobility aid difficult. I hope this will encourage more of you to visit the Centre.

The Petworth Village Minibus is available to bring members into the Centre on Tuesdays, and Wednesday afternoons when there is a Bingo session. (N.B the Minibus is a separate charity from the Over 60s and you need to be a member to use it).

In October there will be Bingo sessions on Wednesday 4th and 18th at 2.00 pm, and the minibus will be available to bring members to the Centre.

We are holding a Coffee morning on 21st October in the URC from 10.00 am and we welcome any contributions towards the Tombola, Raffle, Bric-a-Brac and cakes and produce stalls, and of course your presence.

Make a note in your Diary for The Christmas Tea on Sunday 3rd December at the URC and there will be a Christmas Raffle in the Centre later in the month.

Caroline Stoneman, House Committee Chairman (01798) 342942

PETWORTH HOUSE AND PARK

News for September



<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/visit/sussex/petworth>

October Half Term: Halloween Trail

Saturday 14th - Sunday 29th October, 10.30 am - 3.30 pm

Explore the gardens and solve the spooky mystery of a stolen pumpkin on our Halloween trail this October Half Term.

With activities, games and challenges for the whole family to complete together.

Pick up a free trail map from visitor reception. Normal admission applies.

Deer Rut Guided Walk

16th October, 2.00 pm - 4.00 pm

18th October, 10.30 am - 12.30 pm

20th October, 10.30 am - 12.30 pm and 2.00 pm - 4.00 pm

23rd October, 10.30 am - 12.30 pm

25th October, 10.30 am - 12.30 pm

27th October, 10.30 am - 12.30 pm

30th October, 10.30 am - 12.30 pm

Discover more about the annual deer rut on this 2 hour guided walk. There is a chance we might see some examples so we recommend bringing binoculars, and there will be an element of hiding and remaining silent.

This walk will be outdoors on some uneven ground. Please come prepared for the weather and wear sturdy footwear.

Adult tickets are £5 each, children go free.

Call 0344 249 1895 or book online via our website.



PETWORTH PRIMARY SCHOOL

As the new academic year starts we are always excited to welcome the children back, welcome new children as we guide them in their first steps in formal education and we wonder how our previous year six children embark on their secondary school education.

I am really pleased to say that our new reception class have settled in really well and they have soon got used to the routine of school life. Reading a story to these children is a very special thing for me.

As you know sport is very important to our school. Our children have already had their first whole school intra event as they participated in a cross country run. Our year 5/6 and year 3/4 football teams played in a tournament we organised against three other local schools, and a tournament at Dorset House; we took part in a biathlon (swimming and running) at the Great Ballard School. Year 5 and Year 6 are working with Victory Gymnastics for five weeks to develop their gymnastics skills.

Over the next few weeks we have lots of exciting opportunities for our children, which all complement our curriculum and include Petworth Week, swimming sessions, residential and Navy STEM sessions. It is an exciting time to be at Petworth CofE Primary as we inspire, nurture and challenge our children.





Coultershaw History Group *Petworth and surrounding villages*

Programme - Autumn 2023 (revised)

13th September	10:30	The Story of Iping Paper Mill	Hazel Flack
27th September	19:00	Coultershaw People	Tony Sneller
11th October	10:30	Almshouses	Juliet Fynes
25th October	19:00	Fernhurst Furnace	Sam
8th November	10:30	Petworth Town Band	Michelle Clifford
22nd November	19:00	Wey & Arun Canal	Richard Shenton
13th December	??	Christmas special !	

**Come and join us in The Warehouse at Coultershaw
for tea, coffee, biscuits and informed chat .**

Coultershaw Heritage Site, Station Road,
Petworth, GU28 0JE

MIDHURST ROTHER COLLEGE

STUDENTS CELEBRATE GREAT EXAM SUCCESS

Students and staff at Midhurst Rother College celebrated on recent results days as Sixth Formers confirm their places at high-quality university destinations, after receiving an excellent set of A Level results and there was a stand-out raft of GCSE results students and staff reaped the rewards of their two years' hard work.

Sixth Formers saw their hard work recognised with 39% of A Level entries achieving grades A*-A and 63% achieving grades A*-B. Similarly impressive, in their BTEC studies, 63% of entries achieved Distinction*-Distinction, equivalent to the top A Level grades. Students also displayed their prowess in STEM subjects with 86% of entries achieving A*-A in Computer Science and 75% of entries achieving A*-A in Mathematics. Pass rates in GCSEs were also high at the College this year, with 80 per cent of students achieving a grade 4 or above in both English and Maths, and 57 per cent achieving a grade five or above in both subjects.



Among the Sixth Formers celebrating were:

Matthew Grzywacz, who achieved four A*s in Further Maths, Maths, Computer Science and Physics, will be attending the University of Warwick to study Mathematics.

Ethan Sharp, who achieved three A*s in Further Maths, Maths and Physics, will also be attending the University of Warwick to study Mathematics.

Thomas Salter, who achieved two A*s in Maths and Computer Science and a Distinction* in Digital Media, considering a place at the University of Exeter to study Film.

Gwen Keuhne, who achieved two A*s in Textiles and Art and a B in English Literature, will be attending University of Arts in London to study Costume for theatre and screen.

Among the GCSE students celebrating were:

Adeleigh Buckrell, who achieved nine grade 9s and one grade 7;

Lily Bull, who achieved eight grade 9s and two grade 8s;

Chloe Lin, who achieved six grade 9s, two grade 8s and two grade 7s;

Ella West, who achieved six grade 9s, one grade 8 and one grade 7;

Furse Simpson, who achieved four grade 9s, two grade 8s, two grade 7s and one grade 6;

Edward Grant, who achieved four grade 9s, three Grade 8s and three grade 7s.



Roger Burton, Assistant Principal for Key Stage 5 at Midhurst Rother College, said:

‘These are exceptional results which show the very high standards being maintained at MRC Sixth Form. All of us across the school are absolutely delighted for our students and wish them the very best of luck as they take up their places at university or on top-quality apprenticeships. We are very much looking forward to continuing to grow and strengthen our Sixth Form so that more young people are able to benefit from all that it has to offer.’

Fiona Lunskey, Assistant Principal for Raising Standards, Year 11 at Midhurst Rother College said:

‘Many congratulations to our GCSE students on this fantastic set of results. Each and every student put an incredible level of effort into their studies in order to achieve these grades and are highly deserving of their success. It is particularly pleasing that so many of our Year 11 students will now be going on to take up places in our Sixth Form in September, where they will undoubtedly continue to make excellent progress.’

Stuart Edwards, Principal at Midhurst Rother College, said:

‘I am incredibly proud of our students’ performances this year. They have shown real dedication to their studies and have achieved outstanding overall results. Our Sixth Form students are leaders in the school and I would like to thank them, in particular, for leading our charity work this year – raising several thousands of pounds for good causes. I would also like to acknowledge and thank staff across our Sixth Form team for their ongoing hard work and the enduring support they have shown to students. With the majority of our Year 11s now set to join our Sixth Form, I am sure they will follow in the very successful footsteps of their peers.’

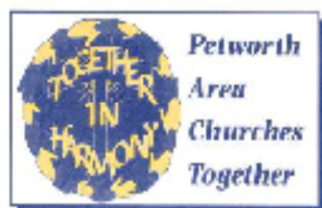


Mr Burton - Assistant Principle
for Key Stage 5



Mr Edwards - Principal

PACT Autumn Lecture



Friday 6th October at 7.30pm
Ford Prison Chaplain: More than just tea and sympathy



Rev'd Steve Gurr

Steve is currently the Anglican Chaplain at HMP Ford, runs training sessions in pastoral care and is a spiritual director. He has worked previously in parish ministry and as Chaplain at St Barnabas and Chestnut Tree Hospices.

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Our Lady of Walsingham

Festival

Saturday 14th October 2023



Programme

- 10:30 Solemn Mass
Celebrant: The Bishop of Lewes
Preacher: Fr Graeme Rowlands
- 11:30 Tea and coffee
- 12:00 'Mary in the Old Testament?'
The Revd Dr Earl Collins
- 12:45 Lunch*
- 13:45 'Mary in our lives today'
The Ven Dr Edward Dowler
- 14:30 Healing ministries
- 15:15 Benediction
- * there will be no charge for lunch,
but donations gratefully received.*

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Brighton,
BN1 4GP



PETWORTH FOOD BANK UPDATE

Foodbank 10-year anniversary

In June, we marked the ten years that the Chichester District Foodbank has been open with a service at Chichester Cathedral. When Joanne Kondabeka, CEO, set up the first foodbank centre in Chichester, then the centres at Selsey, Midhurst and Petworth, it was not expected that foodbanks would still be needed by 2023 let alone that demand would be greater than ever.

We can only keep going thanks to the amazing generosity of the public in donating food and money and of the volunteers in the district who give up their time to keep the foodbank running. In our Petworth centre, we have thirty dedicated volunteers who do a range of different roles including collecting and sorting donations, packing boxes, delivering food, helping with events and speaking to clients.

Our focus is no longer only on supplying a 3-day food parcel - we want to help clients find a way out of their crisis. This means directing or signposting them to other sources of help that they may not be aware of. This can be the Citizens Advice or Supporting You, who can help to sort out utility bill payments or provide benefits or debt advice, or other charities and professionals who can provide help with a range of issues such as finding work, homelessness, mental health problems, tackling social isolation and family support.

Seaford College community action day

In June, we were fortunate to have help from Seaford College in cleaning our foodbank. Thank you very much to the two teachers who came to help us - it was a day of solid work but much was achieved.

Petworth Fete

We had our first ever stall at the fete in July. There was a great response from the public and our tombola tickets sold quickly. In total we raised over £700.

This success was in no small part down to the many wonderful prizes that were given to us by local businesses so thank you very much to them for such generous donations.

Petworth Festival Service collection

Many thanks to all those who gave to the collection during this service at St Mary's church in Petworth in July. In total, just over £369 was raised which is a terrific contribution to our work supporting people in crisis.

Kids Lunch Packs

This summer we delivered 82 boxes of food to children in the Petworth area including the surrounding villages.

Our lunch packs are provided to children who normally receive free school meals due to low income and are store cupboard staples to help cover the loss of those meals in the main school holidays.

These boxes were packed for us by Seaford College students and staff, and all the food was paid for by parents of children at the college. In addition, we were given freshly baked bread from SØDT bakery. We are so grateful for all this incredible support.

With good wishes from Petworth Foodbank. For assistance, 01243 773687 or help for hardship 0808 208 2138.

Save the Date...

The Petworth Centre of



Present their Fundraising Concert on Saturday 25th November at 7.00 pm with the UK Forces Veterans Show Band in aid of the Foodbank.

The Band features former musicians from HM Forces, led by Ian Young, and they will play tributes to... Earth Wind & Fire, Chic, The Drifters, Tina Turner, Tony Bennett, Glenn Millar and an ABBA singalong.

The Concert will be held at the Herbert Shiner Hall, Petworth and tickets (£15p/p) will be available online via Eventbrite and at Austens Home Hardware, The Square, Petworth.

PETWORTH LUNCH CLUB

The Petworth Lunch Club will meet in the URC Hall on Tuesday 10th October at 12 noon when the menu will be Chicken Bacon and Tarragon potato topped pie with Vegetables followed by Tiramisu. Including tea or coffee the price will be £7.50. We will announce the date and Venue of the Christmas Lunch at this meeting.

Looking forward to seeing you - don't forget to book!
With Caroline on 342942

Lunch Club date for November will be 7th November, menu yet to be decided, when we will require your menu choices for the Christmas Lunch.

St Mary's Church Petworth



Coffee Morning

**Saturday 14th October
10.00 am - 12 noon**

**Bring and Buy, Raffle
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PETWORTH VILLAGE MINIBUS

There will be a shopping trip on Friday 6th October to Worthing and The Trading Post at Barnham, and to a venue of your choosing on Friday 20th October.

There are also trips to the Friendship Centre (Petworth Over 60s) on Tuesday mornings and Bingo on 4th and 18th at 2.00 pm

The Pub Lunch on Friday 27th October will be to the White Horse Inn, Pulborough, booking essential through me.

Trips could be arranged on a Tuesday afternoon to Lidl in Billingshurst if wished, please contact me if interested.

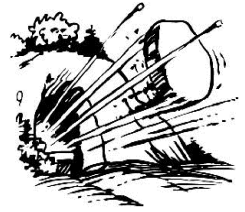
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Hoverflies by Michael Blencowe for Sussex Wildlife Trust

Everyone loves bees, don't they? Knowing that our bees are in decline has prompted protests and petitions and highlighted the important service these buzzing pollinators provide to our planet. Without them our crops and ecosystems would collapse. Yet many other pollinators that provide the same service don't get the same level of public support. So today I'm waving my flag for the hoverflies.

For some reason, they're not as loveable as bees. Perhaps it's because most of the time people mistake them for wasps. This isn't totally our fault because that's exactly what the hoverflies want you to think. The 283 species of hoverfly in the UK come in many shapes, colours and sizes but most of them sport yellow and black stripes, making them easily confused for wasps, bees, hornets and bumblebees. It's a strategy called Batesian mimicry and was first proposed by Leicestershire lepidopterist Henry Bates in 1861. Hoverflies are harmless. They don't sting and can't bite but they have discovered you don't actually have to be dangerous to deter predators – you just have to look like something that's dangerous.



Syrphus ribesii

Yet their devious mimicry isn't the most incredible thing about them. Their wings are the things. Hoverflies (like all flies) have just two wings (half as many wings as bees and wasps). Whereas other flies keep their wings straight, hoverflies incline theirs to create an angled downward stroke at a remarkable rate of 120 beats per second. This allows hoverflies to fly to a most amazing place: nowhere. Hoverflies have become the motionless masters of mid-air.



Marmalade housefly

It's not all sitting around in the sky though. During their few days of life, hoverflies fight, fornicate and feed and while busy collecting energy-giving nectar and protein-rich pollen they inadvertently provide that vital pollination service to our flowers and crops.

And hoverflies have earned the title of ‘The Gardeners Friend’ because about 40% of them have a larval stage which is basically a tiny crawling stomach that roams around your flowerbed eating aphids. Pollination, pest control – next thing you know these beneficial little insects will be mowing the front lawn for us too.

So why not thank these friendly flies by planting some of their favourite flowers in your garden - parsley, fennel, borage, hebe, sedum and alliums - and consider putting in a pond no matter how small. Do your bit for the pollinators and they’ll keep the world working for us.



Helophilus sp

AUTUMN LEAVES

Autumn leaves are falling -
Colours change and all are blown,
Tumbling and spiralling,
Covering all around.

Nuts and seeds are plenty now,
As nature’s best energy store;
Days are shorter, nights become long,
Survival instinct is now raw.

Autumn leaves are falling,
Blocking up the drains;
Lots more fall ‘onto the lines’,
Slowing down the trains.

Hips and berries are feeding
Foragers of every type,
Stocking up on harvest bounty,
Making ready for winter’s bite.

Autumn leaves are falling,
Falling to the ground;
Twisting and tumbling,
Almost silent, whispering sound.

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The Arts Society West Sussex

On Tuesday 3rd October Gavin Plumley will give a talk on

‘Bauhaus: The Idea and Reality’



Founded in 1919 in Weimar, the Bauhaus was a progressive art school. Under the directorship of architect Walter Gropius, its students studied a broad range of artistic disciplines. The Bauhaus lasted for a 14-year period, with bases in Weimar, Dessau and Berlin, and during that time it not only came to typify an age but also dictate matters of style for decades to come, through its art, architecture and design. This talk looks at some of the movers and shakers behind this hugely influential movement, including Marianne Brandt, Mies van der Rohe and Marcel Breuer, as well as exploring their legacy in our world and homes today.

A writer and broadcaster, appearing on BBC Radio 3, BBC Radio 4 and contributing to newspapers, magazines, opera and concert programmes worldwide, Gavin lectures widely about the culture of Central Europe during the 19th and 20th centuries. Recent talks include the Royal Opera House, the National Gallery, the National Trust, the National Theatre, the British Museum, the V&A, the Southbank Centre, the Tate and the Neue Galerie, New York. His first book, *A Home for All Seasons*, was published in June 2022.

Talks held at 2.00 pm in Fittleworth Village Hall RH20 1JB

Doors open 1.40. Coffee & tea afterwards

Non-members welcome for £7

Contact Jackie Buckler on 01903 411086

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On Tuesday 7th November Ian Swankie will give a talk on

‘The Gleaming Spires of London’

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WEST SUSSEX COUNTY COUNCIL

Autumn is with us, what a glorious September and most of August we had weather wise although it was a bit extreme at times.

It is during the extreme weather situations that we have to think of those more vulnerable and I am sure most of us do try and make sure that those we know are looking after themselves as best they can.

One excellent way to look after yourself is to keep active and no, this does not mean you need a daily 5 mile run, it just means that to move about as much as you feel able and indeed keep the brain active even if it's only reading a good book. For those of you who would like to walk with others can I point you in the direction of HeartSmart walks led by several experienced walkers. One local, who most will know or have heard of, is Gerald Gresham-Cooke who has some excellent walks for all abilities and some very informative walks in Petworth Park. Just look up Heart Smart walks and there is something to suit nearly every walker.

Heritage weekend will have passed by the time you read this so I hope some took advantage of all on offer. It's amazing the amount of Heritage there is in and around Petworth and one popular event is the ride to some sites on an old Southdowns Bus. This usually goes as far as Burton Mill which is still grinding flour. It turns around here and also stops at Coultershaw, and all the things going on there, and then heads back to the town. If you missed it this year make sure you look for it next year.

Also, people come from near and far for the Petworth Literary Festival in October.

Please take care and always feel free to contact me if you think I can help with a problem.

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FAMILY SUPPORT WORK

I seem to write this in every update, but we really are incredibly busy at the moment. With things returning to routine after the summer, our practitioners are hugely involved in very complex cases and trying to help families achieve lasting change in very challenging circumstances. Financial hardship, mental health issues and parenting challenges are the three most pressing problems at the moment, none of which are quick to resolve. We have received over 20 new referrals in the last month which we are having to put on waiting lists as demand is still exceeding our capacity.

Harvest season is upon us and we know that many of you will generously be collecting items for our foodbank, for which we send enormous thanks. Our stock levels are still pretty low so we are in need of most items. See the flyer at the end of this article.

If you would like a member of FSW staff to come and talk at a service or any other event then do let us know, as we would be delighted to do so if we can. Please contact the office on admin@familysupportwork.org.uk if this is the case. IF you would like us to collect Harvest donations then please give us as much advance warning as possible as our van diary is already pretty full - please use the same email address as above.

We have recently introduced three new members of staff to the head office team - Jane Lyons, Alison Dewdney and Danni Stillwell.

Jane and Alison are the new community engagement and volunteer coordinators for West and East Sussex respectively, who will be helping us to raise the profile of our work all over the county and encourage more people to volunteer with us.

Danni is our digital fundraising apprentice, who will be supporting the fundraising team by increasing our profile online and finding new ways to reach out across social networks. This increase in the back-office team is much needed to support our expanded practitioner team, and we are delighted to have them all on board.

Thank you for all your continued support and prayers for our work.

August's work in numbers

- 201 individual visits and 1017 calls with families supporting 220 adults and 215 children
- 17 supported meetings with other agencies
- 53 group sessions held supporting 806 parents and 531 children
- 127 food deliveries made

Prayer points

Pray for all the children who have started new schools recently, that they are able to overcome any initial nerves quickly, and settle in to their new routines

Pray for all of our families who are experiencing mental health difficulties and finding it so hard to access specialist support

Give thanks for new volunteers who have recently come forward to support our work, and pray that more people may take this step

Nikki Kerr, FSW Director of Fundraising ad Marketing



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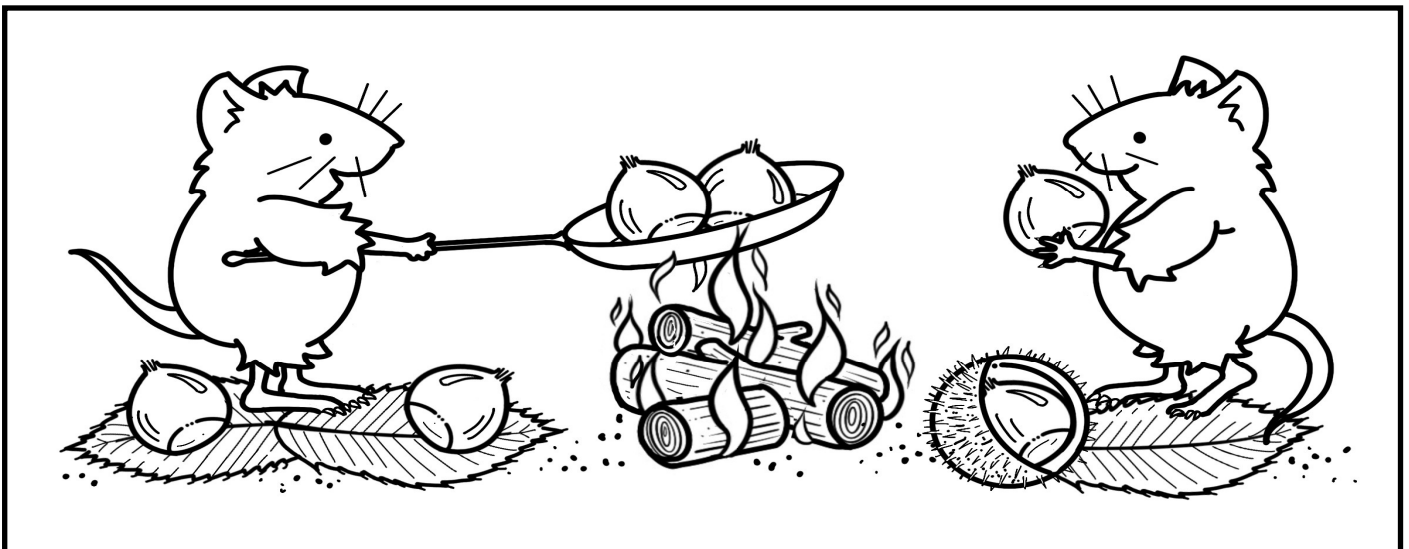
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Email: wchiltfloralclub@gmail.com

THE ARTS SOCIETY SOUTH DOWNS

Wednesday 4th October

WOMEN BEHIND THE LENS - OUTSTANDING FEMALE PHOTOGRAPHERS By Brian Stater

BRIAN STATER has written on architecture for a wide range of publications and an exhibition of his own photographs was held at UCL. He is a member of the Association of Historical and Fine Art Photography and he works with a pre-War Leica camera, as used by his great hero, Henri Cartier-Bresson, and many others.

The work of women photographers has often been unfairly neglected. This lecture seeks to correct that by examining the contribution of three outstanding British practitioners; Julia Margaret Cameron, a Victorian pioneer; Jane Bown, a brilliant portraitist; and Fay Godwin, who excelled in landscape photography. We also explore the work of two highly influential Americans: Dorothea Lange, who produced brilliant documentary images.

Annie Leibovitz, who continues to both surprise and delight her audience



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Wednesday 1st November
PACKING UP THE NATION
By Caroline Shenton

PETWORTH FOODBANK

Urgently needed items by Petworth Foodbank (one of the Chichester District Foodbanks covering Petworth and the surrounding villages)

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If you would prefer to donate money - only to be used for food - please donate via Bankuet, please see bottom of page on the link below:

<https://chichesterdistrict.foodbank.org.uk/give-help/donate-food/>

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.

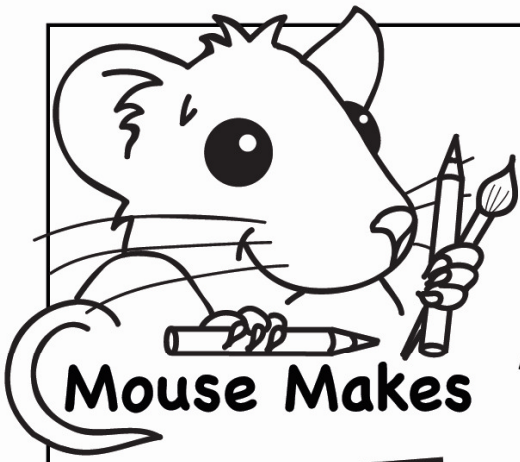
Foodbank Donation from Trainthatdog

A very big thank you to everyone involved in the Trainthatdog's Annual Competitive Training Day held on Monday 7th August at Stopham Estate. This resulted in an amazing donation of £900 for Petworth Foodbank (part of the Chichester District Foodbank).

This money will be so helpful as we enter the autumn months when Foodbank

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What food did God supply for his people in the wilderness?

_____ and _____

Numbers 11:7-9 and 31

After Elijah came to visit, what never ran out?

_____ and _____



1 Kings 17:14



What food did the ravens feed Elijah?

_____ and _____

1 Kings 17:6



What food did John the Baptist eat in the wilderness?

_____ and _____

Matthew 3:4

What did the boy give Jesus to feed 5,000 people?

Five _____

and two _____

John 6:9

CONNECT THE BIBLE FOOD PAIRS

MANNA	HONEY
OIL	WINE
WATER	FISH
LOCUSTS	QUAIL
LOAVES	FLOUR

What drink ran out at the wedding?

_____ and what did Jesus use to make more?

John 2:3 and 7

FIND THE BIBLE VERSE

Change each letter in this bible verse to the letter **before** it in the alphabet.

NBO TIBMM OPU
MJWF PO CSFBE
BMPOF, CVU PO
FWFSZ XPSE UIBU
DPNFT GSPN UIF
NPVUI PG HPE.

NBUUIFX 4:4

DID YOU KNOW?

As Lot escaped Sodom with his family an angel told him not to stop or look back, but Lot's wife did look back and became a pillar of salt.

READ Genesis 19 v15-26

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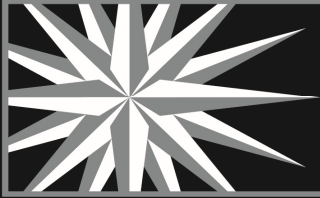
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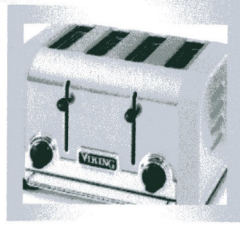
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FROM THE PARISH REGISTERS

HOLY MATRIMONY

We offer our congratulations to

BEN HILL and JOANNA REEVES from Roffey, near Horsham, following their marriage at St Mary's on 16th September.

FUNERALS

We remember with thanksgiving the lives of the recently departed.

KEVIN AUBREY FRANCIS BURKE of Westlands Farm, Fox Hill, who passed away at St Richard's hospital on 7th August aged 77 years. His funeral was held at St Mary's on 5th September and was followed by Cremation.

GWENDOLINE PATRICIA HILL, known to everyone as Gwen, had been a long term Petworth resident. A member of the Dormer family, Gwen married Arthur Hill from another well established local family at St Mary's in October 1959. Gwen and Arthur opened their home to fostering children for 15 years, eventually adopting Gary and Maryanne and then completing the family with the arrival of Donna. Gwen had a number of jobs including working at Harwoods garage, valeting cars and then at Courtlea for number of years. After Arthur's passing, she was to move to Lund House and eventually to Warmere Care Home at Yapton where she passed away on 3rd September at the age of 84 years. Her funeral was held at St Mary's on 15th September and was followed by burial at Hampers Green cemetery.

DAPHNE BERRY'S family originated from Tillington but moved to Hampers Green, with her parents Ernest and Alice Hollingdale, along with Daphne and her brother, Brian. In March 1965 she married Michael Berry at St Mary' and soon after moved to one of the newly built properties in Mant Road. Here, the couple brought up their two children, and it was to remain their home for more than 55 years. Sadly, the latter part of her life was overshadowed by illness and she passed away at her home on 29th August. The funeral takes/took place at The Oaks Crematorium, Havant on 26th September.

IVOR JOHN MORGAN had been a Consultant Surveyor before his retirement when he and Shirley moved to Petworth in the mid 1980s. They set up their home at George House in East Street where John also ran a picture gallery. After a number of years they moved to Angel Street. Both had become familiar figures and part of the community. John passed away at his home in Angel Street on 31st August at the age of 92 years. The committal service took place at Chichester crematorium on 21st September and was followed by a Thanksgiving service at St Mary's later in the day.

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ST BARTHOLOMEW'S CHURCH, EGDEAN Patronal Choral Evensong Service

Thirty-six people, including members of The Prayer Book Society, joined us for evensong to celebrate our patron saint, St Bartholomew, on the afternoon of Saturday 26th August.

Fr Mark opened the service with 'Saints of God! Lo, Jesus people' (which reading the first letter in the verses downwards spells out *St Bartholomew*).

Our guest, The Rev Canon John Green delivered a most interesting sermon of the several versions of the life of St Bartholomew and his fate. Finally, we sang 'Thy hand, O God has guided thy flock from age to age' and after the Blessing we all enjoyed sparkling wine and cups of tea in the churchyard.



Pet Service

Nine dogs and one cat were blessed at our Pet Service on Sunday 3rd September. All were well behaved and quite excited to meet one another.

We took this photo as a record of the service.



FROM MINEHEAD TO WESTWARD HO! Matthew's Walk

