

THE FARTHINGHOE CHRONICLE

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FARTHINGHOE SCHOOL NEWS

Ofsted judges Farthinghoe Primary School to be 'OUTSTANDING'

Following an inspection of the school on 24-25 February 2015, Ofsted has confirmed that Farthinghoe Primary School *is an outstanding school*, the highest possible rating.

Not only was the overall effectiveness of the school judged to be outstanding, the school achieved the outstanding accolade in each of the 5 individual inspection categories: behaviour & safety of pupils, achievement of pupils, early years' provision, quality of teaching, and leadership & management.

In his report, the Ofsted inspector stated that "achievement is outstanding", "pupils are exceptionally well looked after" and that "pupils' excellent behaviour contributes much to the school's happy, calm and nurturing learning environment".

Everyone connected to the school is rightfully proud and delighted that Ofsted have recognised what a fantastic school this is and what a special place it is to learn and work.



During the spring terms, we have been busy with our learning and have especially enjoyed our trips out of school. The older children went away for 5 days on an adventure residential where we did activities such as caving, abseiling, survival skills and orienteering. Our pupils in year 6 went on a Junior Citizen Day where they learnt about personal safety, including cyber crime and what to do in an emergency. We have also been to the Chiltern Open Air Museum and Holdenby House.

We are now looking forward to our Easter Breakfast next week where we get to wear our pyjamas to school and have our breakfast there. This is one of the many fundraising activities we are having this year to raise money for our chosen charities—International Animal Rescue and Roald Dahl's Marvellous Children's Charity. It has been a very busy, but exciting, 2 terms!

SPECIAL POINTS OF INTEREST:

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150 CLUB

FEBRUARY DRAW

1st prize

53—Mr R Osborne

2nd prize

47—Mr R Osborne

3rd prize

74—Mrs J Mildren

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RECTOR'S LETTER

Easter 2015

It is a well known phrase that actions speak louder than words and that a picture speaks a thousand words. Easter is a time when both of these adages ring very true.

Jesus had spent the last three years of his life telling those who would listen about God's love for them and his creation. Jesus had told his closest friends, his disciples, what the future held for him, how Jesus would be arrested and beaten and killed and raised to life on the third day. He knew they had heard his words but hadn't understood the implications. So before he is arrested he gathers his friends together for a special meal. A meal that for generations had

celebrated freedom and hope. Now Jesus shares it with his friends giving it a new meaning for them. One they would treasure and cherish and hand on from one generation to another, even to today and beyond. In the actions of that meal, in the taking, breaking and giving of bread and in sharing a common cup, Jesus' actions spoke louder than the words he had used before. His actions we still echo today each Sunday as we gather to remember and give thanks. His last great action of hope was in his death and resurrection, which we celebrate on Good Friday and Easter Sunday. This is a celebration that is not tied neatly into modern life, at the same time each year, but one that relates to the rhythm and

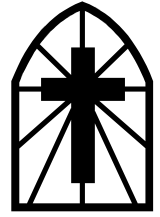
continuous cycle of the earth, God's creation. As such it keeps catching us out, it is something that we do not have control over, yet has control over us.

Jesus' journey to the cross is often depicted in pictures known as the Stations of the Cross. Here pictures attempt to capture the significant moments of that journey and when we view these pictures today, we can imagine ourselves as part of them. This Easter I invite you to come on a journey and see and I don't think you will regret coming.

Have a Happy Easter

Rev. Simon Dommett

01869 810903



An Organ Recital by Ian Tracey

Organist Titulaire at Liverpool Cathedral

*At All Saints Church
Croughton NN13 5LS
Saturday 2nd May*

7:30pm

Tickets £12 / £10 concession

Children under 16 free

10% discount to groups of ten or more

Tickets include a glass of wine or fruit juice and Canapés

01869 810023 or 01869 811445 or 01869 810903

Professor Ian Tracey is one of Britain's best known and most widely respected musicians, having been organist at the monumental Anglican Cathedral in his home town of Liverpool for over 30 years.

In aid of church restoration funds

NOTIFICATION OF ROAD WORKS



After years of fighting, we have been informed by Northamptonshire County Council that they are planning to carry out highway improvement works on Main Road, Farthinghoe. The work will involve reconstructing the existing carriageway and refreshing road markings, between the 30mph/derestriction signs at each end of Main Road. Also some extensive carriageway patching will be carried out on the A422 to the east and west of Farthinghoe.

The scheme is provisionally scheduled to begin in early May this year. In total, it is anticipated that it is likely to take up to 2 to 3 weeks to complete (weather permitting and subject to the demands and progress of the overall works programme). Signs will be erected shortly before the works commence on Main Road and the A422, informing motorists of exact dates and times. It is understood that a letter will be sent to you, by Northamptonshire County Council, confirming the details, prior to the scheme commencing.

Due to the nature of the works, it will be necessary to operate an off peak weekday road closure and weekend 24 hour road closure to maintain both the safety of the public and workforce.

Please note that as a resident/business, you will have limited access to your property during the works.

During the work, some drivers may wish to allow a little extra time for their journeys and all drivers are asked to reduce their speed to a minimum and take the utmost care in the vicinity of the work. Please think carefully about parking, so as not to obstruct the works, to not get blocked in temporarily, and to not obstruct the heavy plant and delivery trucks.

Immediately following the above works, a road closure is scheduled to take place on 27th May 2015 and part of Queens Street, Farthinghoe (between Chapel Lane and Baker Street) will be closed to allow for drainage works to be undertaken safely. The road will be closed for one day.

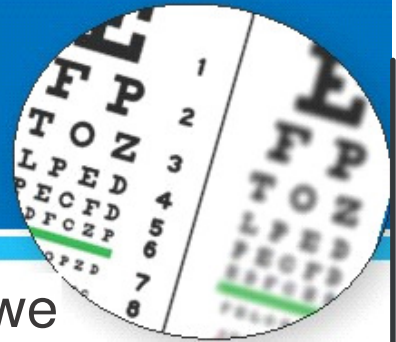
Please make a note of these dates in your diary so that you are not caught unaware. Some disruption is inevitable, but we hope you will agree that the short term inconvenience will be far outweighed by the long term benefits.

If you have any queries or problems regarding this information, please contact the writer.

John Grant
Vice Chairman
Farthinghoe Parish Council



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VILLAGE NEWS AND EVENTS



Farthinghoe Friends

We will meet for lunch at the Village Hall on Tuesday 7th April, 12.30pm to 1pm. Please contact Lin on 01295 711938 for further details.

Lin Deeley

Church Fete

There will be a follow up meeting on Mon-

day, 27th April at 7.30pm at Farthinghoe Lodge. Still time to offer your help!

Church Cleaning

This will take place on Tuesday, 21st April from 9am onwards.

Mothers' Union

We will meet on Tuesday, 14th April. Venue and subject to be arranged.

Coffee Morning

In the Church Vestry on Friday 24th April from 10am to 12 noon. Bring & Buy and also a Raffle. In aid of Church Funds.

COMPOST CORNER

You can tell that the new growing season has begun in earnest by the many signs of increased activity on the allotments, not the least of which can be seen on Lois's plot; namely, Duncan's erection of a greenhouse. I think we are all looking forward to seeing their endeavours of propagation and the fruits of their labours in the Village Show in September.

Elsewhere in the village, there is evidence which reflects this wonderful time of year. Calvin was spotted

trimming Jo's bush in the front garden.

Unfortunately, he was using garden shears which were probably a bit too large so the result was perhaps not as neat as it could have been. However that's as much as Jo could have expected, given that Calvin then had to dash off to collect one of the girls, leaving the job somewhat unfinished and some untidy loose ends sticking out.

As for me, I'm trying to decide which cucurbitaceae to focus my efforts on. I do love a

good cucumber but I know my limitations and have gone for gherkins this year. For the Village Show, I have decided I shall enter the marrow competition. If I am going to stand a chance at beating the past masters at this, I will need a least a pair of big ones to enter as the competition is usually quite stiff. If you see me scooping up the horse muck from the road, you will know why.

From the muck heap,

Mrs Trellis



Welcome to The Fox

Easter Weeeknd

**We are open throughout the weekend
Bar Open all day Fri, Sat, Sun and Monday
Extra Fish Specials on Good Friday
Chocolate Eggs with Lunch on Sunday**

Ladies Night every Wednesday

**This popular night is only £16.50 for your
choice of three courses from our special menu
and a glass of house wine. Book early!**

Happy Hour every Friday

**5 to 7pm each week with discounts on popular
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for lunch and early evening dining
and now on Fridays from 5.15pm
Fruit Shoot, Main Dish & Ice Cream £6.50**

Pop in or call us for details



The Fox at Farthinghoe

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sat 28 March to	Easter Bunny Hunt		Limes Farm
Mon 7 April			
Tues 7 April	Farthinghoe Friends	12.30pm	Village Hall
Wed 8 April	Annual Parish Meeting	8pm	Village Hall
Mon 13 April	Annual Parochial Church Meeting	7.30pm	Church
Tues 14 April	Mothers Union		To be confirmed
Tues 21 April	Church cleaning	9am	Church
Fri 24 April	Coffee morning	10am	Church
Mon 27 April	Church fete meeting	7.30pm	Farthinghoe Lodge
Sat 2 May	Organ Recital	7.30pm	All Saints Church, Croughton
Wed 27 May	Road Closure		Queens Street

CHURCH NEWS

Maundy Thursday, 2nd April

7pm—Maundy Communion Meal

This is the day that Jesus shared his last supper with his disciples and when he was then betrayed and arrested. This year we will remember and re-enact that last meal in an extended Eucharist or Maundy meal. **This will take place in Aynho Village Hall** from 7pm and combines a simple 3 course meal with a Communion or Eucharist following Jesus' command to "do this in remembrance of him". There will be no charge for the meal, but for catering numbers I ask that you sign up on the lists in church or email

me, the.revdsimon@gmail.com to sign up for the Maundy Thursday Communion Meal.

Good Friday, 3rd April

We celebrate Good Friday at 11am in the morning with an All Age Praise Service at Evenly Village Hall and a Good Friday service at 11am in Aynho, followed by hot cross buns.

In the afternoon we have at 2pm 'An Hour at the Cross' at Hinton-in-the-Hedges. This is a reflective service with music and readings for adults supported by the Benefice Festival Chorus.

The churches at Aynho, Evenly and Farthinghoe will be

open from 12 noon to 3pm for quiet private prayer and reflection. Hinton church will be open from 12 noon to 2pm

Farthinghoe Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Monday 13th April

7.30pm in church

Nomination forms for Churchwardens and PCC members are at the back of churches or available from the churchwardens or Revd Simon Dommett. Completed forms should be returned to the Wardens or Simon.

BENEFICE WORSHIP FOR APRIL

DATE	FARTHINGHOE	AYNHO	CROUGHTON	EVENLEY	HINTON
29th March Palm Sunday			10am—meet at All Saints School then process to All Saints Church for Palm Sunday Communion		
Holy Week					
Monday 30th March				7pm Service of Compline	
Tuesday 31st March					
Wednesday 1st April	7pm Service of Compline	7pm Maundy Communion Meal, Village Hall	7pm Service of Compline		
Thursday 2nd April		11am Family Service			
Friday 3rd April				11am Family Service, Village Hall	2pm An Hour at the Cross
Sunday 5th April Easter Day	9.30am Communion	11am Communion	9.30am Communion	11am Family Service	11am Communion
Saturday 11th April	4pm Family Service				
Sunday 12th April Easter 1		9.30am Communion	9.30am Communion	11am Communion & Baptism	6pm Evensong
Sunday 19th April Easter 2	10am Communion 4.30pm Pizza Praise				
Sunday 26th April Easter 3	6pm Evensong	10.30/11am Family Service	9.30am Communion	5pm Patronal Festival—St George	11am Communion

PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

In March's Parish Council meeting, representatives from the Farthinghoe Playpark Committee provided an update on progress.

The team has been working very hard on the village's behalf, raising funds and liaising with suppliers to get the best quotes and to design a great facility for the children of Farthinghoe.

The recent questionnaire which was sent to all households within Farthinghoe will provide information to support an application which is being made for additional funding. If successful, it is very likely that we will see the playpark coming into being before the end of the year.

Such projects require a huge amount of time and effort from a relatively small number of individuals and the councillors would like to thank all involved to date for their input.

Annual Parish Meeting

Just a reminder that the Annual Parish Meeting is taking place on **Wednesday, 8th April at 8pm** in the Village Hall. There will be updates from various groups within the village, along with reports from County Councillor Ron Sawbridge and District Councillor Rebecca Breese and from the Chairman of the Parish Council. It would be

great to see as many of you there as possible, so that the Parish Council can hear your views on the matters that affect all of us within the village.

Village Hall Committee

Village Hall committee meetings are held on the last Wednesday of the month at 7.30pm. They are keen for new members to join the committee to help make the hall a great facility for the village.

They are currently working on the Village Show, taking place on **Saturday 12th September from 2pm to 5pm** and would love to hear from anyone who would like to be involved. Please contact Diane Jones (details on page 2).

Traffic Issues

Traffic through the village is a major concern for most villagers. Councillor Grant works very hard, raising the profile of our traffic problems with Northamptonshire County Council and Highways, but the more people that make their views known, the more chance we have of the authorities listening.

We will shortly be including a page on the website for traffic issues and this will include contact details for complaints. We would urge everyone to take responsibility and write, expressing any concerns regarding traffic through the village.



Farthinghoe Parish Council

Fun Day

Free
Admission

25th July 2015 – 11am to 3pm

Stoneleigh Park, Warwickshire CV8 2LG

Young
Kennel Club
Kid's Zone

Magicians &
Balloon Sculpting

Fencing, Archery
& Basketball

Zoo Bus &
Birds of Prey

Games &
Competitions

Dog Show
& Agility

Jugglers &
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Easter Bunny Hunt

at Limes Farm in Farthinghoe

ONLY £3.50
per child

Come on down to Limes Farm this Easter for our fun Children's Easter Bunny Hunt. You don't need to book, just come along any time on any day from Saturday 28th March until Monday 7th April.

The Easter Bunny Hunt is **only £3.50 per child** and the aim of the hunt is to find the **6 bunnies** hiding around the farm, collecting a special Easter stamp as you find each bunny!

Use our special Easter Bunny Hunt Map to guide you around the farm and use the clues provided to help you seek out those over 'eggs-cited bunnies! Once your sheet has all 6 stamps, hop back to the tearoom to choose your Easter egg.

Don't forget to bring your bunny ears and wellies and to collect your map from the tearoom on arrival.



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