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Village News & Events

ALMSHOUSE VACANCY

A single vacancy is available at the Farthinghoe Almshouses. Northamptonshire.

The property is a one bedroom terrace cottage with patio garden.

Trustees invite candidates to apply who are resident in the parish of Farthinghoe or the surrounding area at the time of appointment. Although preference will be given to those aged 60 and over who are able to live independently, younger applicants are welcome to apply.

Please apply in writing for an application form to:

The Charity of Thomas Amphlett/Vacancy

c/o Mrs J Forbes, Manor House, Steane, Brackley, Northants NN13 5NT

Church Piece Charity Allotments The Annual meeting will be held on Monday 2nd September at 7pm in the Vestry. The yearly fee remains the same at £12 per plot.

Parish Council The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 11th September in the meeting room in the Village Hall. Public Time is from 7.00 - 7.15pm. Don't forget to use your vote in the County Council election on 5th September.

Farthinghoe Friends will meet at the Village Hall on Tuesday 3rd September, 2.30 - 4 pm. All welcome.

Farthinghoe W.E.A. America in the Jazz Age: A ten

week course, examining the development of Jazz and the society in which it grew, looking at the techniques, people and events which helped to shape this musical genre and how the music may have wrought changes in American society.

Tutor - Len Jenkins. Village Hall: Fridays 7.30 - 9 pm, from 20th September. Fee - £52.50 **Highly recommended! Contact Lin Deeley on 711938 for further details.**



Rector's Letter

September sees lots of exciting services around our benefice of five villages. We welcome our newest

members Hector, Milo and Benjamin as they are baptized. We start our Harvest celebrations giving thanks for God's gifts to us and the marvel of creation. We also remember those less fortunate than ourselves in our harvest collections. Some of these will be sold at auction and the money given to various charities. Less perishable food stuff will be given direct to food banks to help those who are struggling to feed their families. All



gifts are welcome at all the churches, why not come along and help decorate your local church for harvest or bring your gifts to the Sunday services. The appeal from the food bank is for cereals, sugar, long life milk, Pot Noodles and jam.

September also sees us celebrating the patronal festival for St. Michael and All Angels on 29th September, this is the day when we remember the patron saint of the church. St. Michael is depicted as a great warrior angel who is in charge of the angels who defend heaven and will be used at the end of time when evil is removed from the world. September takes a break from Pizza Praise but it returns in October as usual.

Pet Praise Service Come and celebrate and give thanks for our pets, real, imaginary or cuddly toys. As part of our celebrating creation season, we remember the creatures that God has given us to help and comfort us and also to work for us.

Everybody is invited to our service on Sunday 29th Sept at 4:30pm at St. Michael's Aynho to bring your pet large or small, please take great care of your pet and make sure other people's pets are safe as well. If the weather is dry we will be outside church, but if wet we will go inside. Suitable for all ages and pets.

Home Communions Although everybody is encouraged to come and share together in worship on Sundays, this is not always possible—to enable those who cannot make a Sunday we hold short communion services in people's home around our five villages. Everybody is welcome, if you need help or transport please let me know.

Rev Simon Dommett

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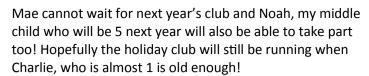
Showstoppers!

Showstoppers is a church run holiday club for children 5-11 years from Farthinghoe and surrounding villages.

It takes place on mornings from 9.30-12noon for one week each summer holidays and is run by Rev Simon and Heather Dommett and lots of lovely willing volunteers including teenagers who have previously attended the club. The club is run at Croughton Primary School and activities range from singing, acting, cooking, baking, drawing, colouring, making, creating, painting, crafting, games and FUN!

This is the second year my daughter Mae, aged 6 has attended and I cannot explain how much she absolutely loves going! It is a pleasure to take her and watch her run in excited about what the morning has in store! Mae brought home cakes, pizza, puppets, a bag, pictures and songs in her head!

The week ended with a concert in Croughton Church the following Sunday which was attended by the children, helpers, mums, dads, grandparents and friends. The children all had a part to play and they all stood at the front and told the story of David and Goliath through songs, acting and music.



The holiday club is free but relies on donations which parents happily contribute towards. It is advertised several months before places are available in the Pew News and places are located on a first come first served basis - as you can imagine it is very popular!

I would like to take this opportunity to thank Simon, Heather, Carrie and all the people involved with making this week such a success and for all the time and effort put into the holiday club by all concerned.

Katherine House Hospice News



FESTIVAL OF OPEN GARDENS 2013

We are delighted with the success of our fourth Festival. Nineteen wonderful gardens opened this year from April to July, as well as the Simon Weatherby Gardens at Katharine House.

The weather continued to be a challenge for some of our gardens, following a wet 2012, cold winter and very late spring. Some gardens, including Broughton Grange had very wet days and some

had scorching days, but still attracted a good number of supporters to see the result of the hard work of so many keen gardeners.

In total our 2013 Festival raised over £7,000, a magnificent sum, thank you so much to all who attended and of course to our green-fingered supporters. We could not do this without you!

If you are thinking of opening your garden for us in 2014, call Nicky in the Fundraising Office on 01295 812161. Your garden can be minute or massive, all are of interest to a gardener!

PLANT FAIR

Broughton Grange will open its doors one last time this summer to hold an end of season plant sale. Open Friday 6 and Saturday 7 September, between 10am and 4pm on both days, there will be a good selection of garden perennials available in addition to light refreshments. Entry to the plant fair is free and the gardens can be viewed as per open days for the usual fee of £6.

CHARITY HANDBAG AUCTION

Handbags for Hospices will host an auction at the Malmaison Hotel, Oxford on Thurs19 Sept between 6.30 and 9.30pm. £5 entry includes first drink and all profits will be shared equally with Sobell House Hospice. See www.handbagsforhospices.com for further details. Come bag yourself a gorgeous new handbag!

What's on at Limes Farm this month



Seasonal Ranges

The time of the year is very important to us farmers. It reminds us when to plant, when to lamb and when to harvest. Seasonality is thus very important and it's not surprising that it has become so popular in recent times in regards to food. Strawberries in December are not seasonal, unless you live in Africa!

Limes Farm grows almost all of the ingredients for its products so seasonality plays a massive part in what is available. We can't sell you a fresh punnet of strawberries in December but we can sell you a delicious strawberry jam that we preserved from our summer crop! So, some Limes Farm products are only available at certain times and these include:

- Fresh Strawberries
- Fresh Raspberries
- Asparagus
- Cox Apples
- Halloween Giant Pumpkins!
- Various Vegetables



Look forward to seeing you soon, contact Limes Farm on 01295 711229 or intouch@limesfarm.com

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Compost Corner

There are many aspects of working on an allotment that bring pleasure but, I suppose, the most obvious pleasure is that which is at the heart of the process, namely, harvesting.

Perhaps it is the innate Puritan work ethic in us that makes the rewards of the hardest work the most valued. Take gooseberries for instance. Despite, or perhaps because of, pruning my bushes very hard in a vain attempt to attain that sought for "goblet shape", my two bushes have thrust out so many new branches that it was almost impossible to see any fruit, let alone reach it. Gooseberry thorns are the most vicious I know—half an inch long, needle sharp and unbending—very unforgiving to a bare arm, at the end of which is a hand whose fingers are grasping for the hairy balls dangling out of sight. But the taste of those sharp green fruits is exquisite.

Potatoes on the other hand are a much easier crop to harvest, but no less exciting. I had popped down to the allotment to unearth the last of my early potatoes for lunch. In went the fork and, as I lifted the soil, I caught a glimpse of the first potato. But, hang on, it was brown

and I was expecting a beautiful ivory colour. It was smooth and egg-shaped. I tapped it—it was an egg! Lunch was sorted! My allotment guru was nearby and a consultation was granted. "It's a fox" was the diagnosis. I worked out that that was not a definition of the object I held in my hand nor of the creature who had laid it but shorthand for "a fox has buried that to be eaten later" Apparently this is not uncommon. Chicken keepers—your birds may actually be more productive than you thought!

Mrs Trellis

Playground Update We are waiting for quotes from a few play area companies at the moment and will meet again after the summer holidays to discuss them. Meanwhile



we'd like to say a big thank you to Beth, Alice and Ellie for raising £34.10 for the play area funds by providing an amazing nail painting service at the school's summer fun day! We raised another £32 from further raffle tickets and Beste's homemade cordial sales. The second leg of the prize draw took place in Limes Farm with the help of our lovely children. Congratulations to all who won the remainder of the prizes and a huge thank you to those who donated prizes and bought tickets.

We have been given a very exciting opportunity to host a *Coffee & Cake Morning* plus raffle at Abbey Lodge (next to the Church) on *Friday 27th September* from 10.00am-11.30am with all proceeds going to our play area fund. Abbey Lodge is a unique period residence, built in the year 1189 and is a property of exceptional historical interest. It is the home of Mrs Joan Lewis who has resided at Abbey Lodge for over 50 years.

So please come along and enjoy Coffee & Cake in this beautiful mediaeval home. Cake is kindly being donated again by Limes Farm, however we still need cakes to sell on the morning and raffle prizes, so all donations would all be gratefully received (please email Louise on reidylou12@aol.com). I have been offered another £25.00 Dry Cleaning Voucher to kick off the raffle prizes! We are extremely grateful to Mrs Lewis for this kind and generous offer and hope to see you there!

We're also looking forward to a busy, fun, fundraising autumn! Watch out for a *Turkish evening* at Limes Farm coming soon. We now have a date set for this event; *Friday 25th October* and details will be released very soon.

Becky, Louise, Beste, Mary and Jenny x



Thanks to Mrs Trellis for another thought-provoking article! Just one query—we managed to pick enough gooseberries to make some jam but can't understand why half way through the cooking the whole mixture turned from green to red! Can anyone solve the mystery? Thanks to

Tanya too for her article this month on the children's holiday club—it's great to have feedback on local events. Sounds like the playground fundraising is really taking off too!!

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September Church Services

Sunday, 1 September

09:30 FARTHINGHOE ~ Communion BCP

11:00 AYNHO ~ Communion

11:00 HINTON ~ All Age Service

18:00 EVENLEY ~ Taize Service

Tuesday, 3 September

10:00 CROUGHTON Home

Sunday, 8 September

09:30 AYNHO Communion

09:30 CROUGHTON ~ Communion

11:00 EVENLEY ~ Communion and Baptism

11:00 FARTHINGHOE ~ Family Baptism and Communion

18:00 STEANE ~ Evensong BCP with Rev Peter Gompertz

Sunday, 15 September

10:00 BENEFICE ~ Communion HINTON

Monday, 16 September

10:45 EVENLEY ~ Home Communion

Sunday, 22 September

09:30 CROUGHTON ~ Communion

11:00 AYNHO ~ Matins BCP

11:00 EVENLEY ~All Age Worship-Harvest

11:00 HINTON Communion BCP or CW

18:00 FARTHINGHOE ~ Harvest Evensong BCP

Monday, 23 September

11:00 Aynho ~ Home Communion



Sunday, 29 September

St. Michael and All Angels

10:00 FARTHINGHOE- Benefice Communion

Patronal Festival with commissioning of Eucharistic Assistants

16:30 Pet Service at St. Michael's

Aynho

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Rotas for September

Week beginning	Church Cleaning	Brass Cleaning
2nd Sept	Mrs Phipps	Mrs Pim
9th Sept	Mrs Dashwood	Mrs Pim
16th Sept	Mr & Mrs Jarvis	Mrs Pim
23rd Sept	Mrs Mason	Mrs Pim
30th Sept	Ms Walker	Mrs Pim

There will be a *Churchyard clean up* on Wednesday September 11th starting at 5pm (or earlier if it suits you). This is a general tidy up around the area. Many thanks again to all the people who have continued to work hard in the Churchyard. Much appreciated!

Harvest Festival This will take place on **September 22nd** at 6pm. Donations of vegetables, fruit, flowers or tins will be very welcome. Soup will be served after the service, and any produce will be sold.

Mothers' Union A fun quiz evening will be held at the Village Hall on **Friday September 13th** from 7-10pm. Admission £2 per person. Teams of 4 people. Please bring your own food and drinks. The proceeds from this fun evening will go to the Away From It All holiday scheme. This allows people who would otherwise not have a holiday get a break.

Macmillan Coffee Morning This will take place in the Church Vestry on **Friday September 27th** from 10am - 12 noon. Bring & Buy and a raffle. This is part of The World's biggest Coffee Morning. Hope you can make it - if not donations are always welcome!

Did you attend the Church Fete? Despite the cold weather we had a good turn out and lots of fun—but we are always looking for new ideas. So, if there is something you would like to see at the 2014 Church Fete please do let us know, by contacting anyone on the Church Fete committee. **Thank you!**

This Month at The Fox

Join our mailing list and we can send offers direct to your inbox

Regular Specials

Curry Night on Tuesday

Curry and a drink £8

Ladies Night on Wednesday

3 course menu with a glass of wine for just £16.50

Seafood Specials Thursday & Friday

Some great seafood specials

Happy Hour on Friday

5pm to 7pm with deals of many of your favourite drinks including our new cocktails

Food to Take Home

Enjoy some of our Fox dishes at home

To stay up to date with promotions and events at The Fox join our e-mail list at our website now

Charity News

Over the last six months we have given over £600 to charities as part of our Charity Puds scheme.

50p for every portion of Sticky Toffee Pudding is donated to our Charity of the Month In September we will be adding the total to the village's MacMillan Coffee Morning Fundraiser

See you at the church on Friday 27th September

Christmas

So sorry to mention it so early but we have to put plans together—and start writing the quiz! We will again be open for drinks on Christmas Morning and have a party on New Years Eve, is there anything else you would like to see?

As well as all the events at The Pub, Mark and the team are doing lots of parties for local companies. Can we help

arrange your office party?

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