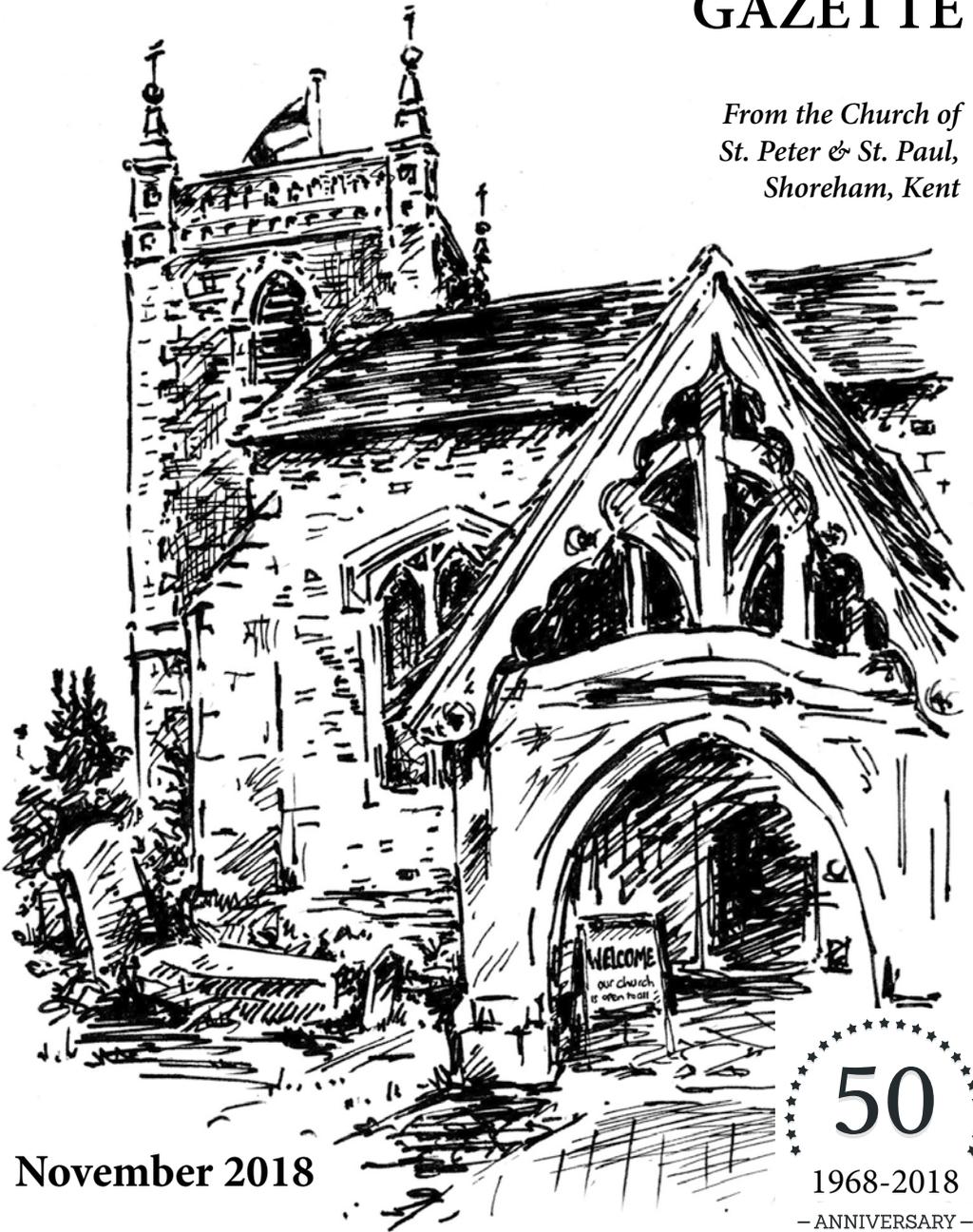


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NOVEMBER SERVICES

4th November – All Saints Day

10.00am – Festival Eucharist

4.30pm – Service for the Commemoration of the Departed

This will be a quiet, reflective service to remember and give thanks for those we love who have died. There will be an opportunity to light a candle. All welcome.

11th November – 3rd Sunday before Advent – Remembrance Day

8.00am – BCP Communion

10.00am – Remembrance Sunday - service starts in church and ends at the War Memorial

4.30pm – Songs & Poems

18th November – 2nd Sunday before Advent

10.00am – Eucharist

4.30pm – Discussion

25th November – Christ the King – Sunday before Advent

8.00am – BCP Communion

10.00am – All-age-Service - Travels in Tanzania

4.30pm – Compline



The Revd Dr Diane Rees

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FROM THE CHURCH REGISTERS

Interment of ashes

17th September Gladys Clegg
Joan Weight

Thanksgiving Service

16th October Ann Prosser

TRAVELS IN TANZANIA

It is hard to believe that it is only about two weeks since Gillian Lovatt-Young and I returned from our trip to Tanzania. It was an amazing, challenging, eye-opening and life enhancing trip in so many different ways. We look forward to sharing the things we learned over the coming months with the parish and with our two schools.

We were fortunate enough to travel to Tanzania with Stephen and Sylvie, who co-ordinate the links between our diocese of Rochester and Mpwapwa Diocese of Tanzania, with which our diocese has, over many years, established successful long term partnerships. We were even more privileged to be travelling back to Mpwapwa with the Bishop Jacob, who had been in the UK for two weeks. Whilst he was here, Bishop Jacob visited St. Michael's Prep School Otford, Shoreham Village School and we held a welcome supper for him in the church ... after which Neil took him to The Olde George to collect a picture. It was the first time the bishop had been in a pub!

You may recall that one of the reasons we decided to explore establishing a partnership in Mpwapwa Diocese was because of the historical connection with the son of a former Vicar, Verney Lovatt Cameron.

When first crossing from Zanzibar to the East coast of Africa, the place that Cameron almost certainly would have started his journey would have been the seaport of Bagamoyo. Nobody in our group had been to Bagamoyo before, so we decided to do a slight detour on our eight hour (fairly bumpy) route to Mpwapwa town. Bagamoyo was at the end of the slave traders' route, which ran inland from there and goes past the Cathedral that has been built in Mpwapwa town. It was a fascinating place to visit but sad to recall the cruelty that took place there.

Our itinerary was full, with open air services (usually lasting 3 - 4 hours but with lots of wonderful singing, dancing and drumming). We visited Queen Esther's School (a secondary school for girls) and St Luke's Medical Centre. We met with staff at the Diocesan Office (and gave them 15 footballs - 1 for each of the 13 Deaneries and 2 for the Diocesan Youth Leader - they are now planning to create a football league), visited a theological college and some other partnership links before spending three days in Chunya ... where ... our parish, Shoreham Village School, St Michael's Prep School have been partnered with St Joseph's Church and the primary and secondary schools. We had three wonderful days where the welcome we received was extraordinary and deeply humbling. The welcome included amongst other things, a song and dance where we were each welcomed by name, giving each of us (including our two absent husbands), a Shuka (a colourful piece of cloth that is tied on a shoulder) and the simple but tasty meals that were prepared for us amidst the hordes of smiling children (once they'd got over the shock of seeing the first white faces they'd ever seen). There were endless knuckle bumps, high 5's and a special Tanzanian handshake. Despite having very little, their sense of gratitude and real joy was wonderful to share.

We enjoyed our visits to Chunya Primary School (847 pupils, 7 teachers, children aged 7 to 13) and Chunya Secondary School (currently about 300 as the Government's policy

of free education begins to work its way up, pupils aged 14 to 18). The children at the primary school were delighted to receive the postcards that had pictures and messages from the children at Shoreham Village School. All the children and teachers were thrilled to receive the balls, books, pens, pencils (and two badminton racquets) that we had brought with us in our suitcases.

We gave the pastor (Stanley) and the two head teachers a water filter each. When we had visited Queen Esther's School we had witnessed the transformative impact of a simple water filter they had been given two years before. The £15 water filter can clean up to 200 gallons of water a day and will last 10 years. At QE's, typhoid and other water borne illnesses had been eradicated freeing the girls to learn, play and thrive.

The two schools and St Joseph's parish were each given a small gift of 150,000 TSH (about £50) to help with a project.

The secondary school has created another girls' toilet and the parish has used it to buy 16 bags of cement with which they have made bricks and are continuing to build a bigger church. We have formed a WhatsApp group and they are updating us with regular photos showing us what they are doing with the money we gave them. Diane will be basing the 10am service on Sunday November 25th around her visit ... and then early next year we will try and do something for their village. *Revd Diane*

While Diane was in Tanzania she took some amazing photographs and this is one of my favourites of Bagamoyo, the landing point from Zanzibar *Editor*



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The next project that we are keen to help fundraising towards is the creation of the Garden of Remembrance in the Churchyard.

Here is a poem by David Harris on Friendship to celebrate Diane's recent return from a kind of Harvest of Friendship journey.

You hold out a hand of Friendship
To everyone you meet
Sometimes it is taken
Sometimes it is not
The ones that refuse never know
What they might miss
If the outstretched hand
May have belonged to an Angel waiting there
Someone who would have helped
Unburden some of their load
So the next time someone puts out a hand of Friendship
Grasp it readily
For you will never know if the stranger is really an Angel there

Agneta Edwards

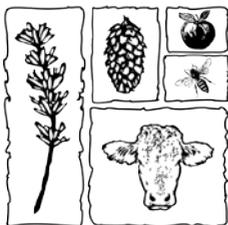
SHOREHAM CHURCH EXTENSION UPDATE



Building contract

Site Progress Meeting No 2 took place in the morning of 12th October. Although the foundations are complete, the building of the walls started, and the steel framework about to be erected, there is a problem with the timing of the supply of the stone. The stone earmarked by the supplier turned out to be not of sufficiently high quality when they started to cut it. In consequence drainage work down towards the Lychgate has been carried out ahead of schedule. If new stone of appropriate quality cannot be sourced in time building work will suffer a temporary halt some time in November.

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Foul drainage

A sub-contractor has been identified to make the foul drainage connection in Church Street: a special qualification is needed since this interferes with the highway. The cost is within the provisional sum provided for in the building contract. The timing of the work is currently uncertain

War Memorial in the Church

An estimate is being obtained from a specialist for the moving of the World War II Memorial from its current position (which is directly in the path of the new entrance from the extension to the main body of the church) to a position to the left of the World War I Memorial.

Fundraising

In order to cater for those who would like to contribute specifically to repairs and decorations a bank account has been renamed for that purpose with an initial donation (with gift aid) in excess of £40,000.

Cheques for repairs and decorations should be made payable to Shoreham Church Repair Fund and sent to The Vicarage with an indication of whether it is gift aided.

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Please 'Gift Aid' your donations. For every £100 donated we receive an additional £25.

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Frank Hinks, Churchwarden

SHOREHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE 100 YEARS CELEBRATION

Friday 23rd November at 11.30am in the Church we will be holding a special celebration of this well-loved Institute. The music will be led by Henry Desmond and we will be singing songs that everyone knows, including Jerusalem with the words written by William Blake, friend of Samuel Palmer. Do come and hear of our history and sing with us.

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FARMING IN SHOREHAM

The Sunday closest to the September full moon (this was 24th September) has traditionally been the moment to celebrate 'harvest home'. By this time the cereal crops would be safely in the barn. However, if adverse weather delayed the corn cutting, the bright nights close to this "harvest moon" provided a sort of celestial night light, allowing the scythe wielding teams to work on after dusk.

Agricultural crops.....

- Grass - is first crop to be harvested in the Darent Valley in May. These silage cuts saw only average yields because grass growth had been limited by cool temperatures during the spring. Rainless days in June & July not only turned your garden lawns brown, but pasture growth slowed even further, leaving dairy farmers struggling to feed their cows and maintain milk production.
- Wheat, Barley & Oats – the grain yields from this year's winter crops proved to be a lot better than many farmers had feared. A dry weather bonus has resulted in superb quality of grains in 2018 - high protein in wheat will mill into ideal bread flour.
- Oilseed Rape, Beans & Peas – are mostly 'spring-sown' crops and they fared badly. Wet weather delayed sowing, only to be followed by drought and dry soils that prematurely ripened these crops. Disappointingly low yields were the inevitable consequence to this shortened growing season.
- Beef, Pigs, Chickens & Sheep – livestock is less directly affected by lack of rain, but shortages of forage and straw which now cost more, remains of concern to many farmers as winter approaches.

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- Lettuce and salad vegetables – dry conditions disrupted continuity of production causing some minor shortages of supply to the supermarkets.
- Cauliflowers & green vegetables – irrigation saved the day in most regions but they say brussels sprouts may be short this Christmas!
- Potatoes and root vegetables – water restrictions from both rain and irrigation has led to a reduced crop and higher priced chips will be the consequence.
- Hops – variable growth in the driest months led to some reduction in the hop crop, but sufficient for brewers to brew all our beer.
- Grapes – 2018 weather was just perfect for vines, leading to bumper yields and finest quality, so this year will be remembered as one of the best ever vintages for English wine.
- and of course, Lavender – as a dry-loving plant lavender absolutely loved this summer and duly delivered high yields of fragrant oil.

William Alexander

SHOREHAM ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

THIRTY SHOREHAM MEN REMEMBERED.

On the 11th hour of the 11th day of the 11th month in 1918, the guns fell silent and The Great War...the, so called, war to end all wars...was over. Over 200 men from the Parish of Shoreham left their homes to fight for their country. There are 33 on our War Memorial. Through research it's been discovered that 11 others who were born or were living here when war broke out died but, for various reasons, are not on our War Memorial. There may be others we don't know. For the last four years we have been going to The War Memorial to mark the 100th Anniversary of each soldier's death.

The first was Albert Ford and the last is Thomas Kimber. Each man has been remembered with a short Candlelit Service at 7pm 100 years after he died. The Candle burned all night beside an official CWGC framed certificate and a brief history of that man was read. We ended with The Exhortation and a minute's silence. When we started this the end seemed such a long way off. But, here we are, everyman has been remembered.....I hope we've done them proud. I hope they know they will never be forgotten and I hope that in another 100 years....people will once again remember them as we have. It's been a privilege and an honour to stand at The War Memorial and remember each and every man of Shoreham who laid down his life for us and their country.

May they all forever rest in peace.

Lorna Robinson

RBL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Our Annual General Meeting is on Friday 9th November in the Village hall at 7.30 pm. Everyone is welcome to join us. Photographs of this year's events will be on display. Refreshments will be served afterwards

REMEMBRANCE SERVICE

Sunday 11th November at 10am (please note the new time) in The Church. Following the service we will be marching to The War Memorial for the Wreath laying and the reading out of the names. This year Remembrance falls on Armistice Day and it is especially poignant because it is The Centenary of the end of WW1.

LEST WE FORGET

The final three Soldiers to be remembered on their 100th Anniversaries are:

Henry Morgan Wednesday 14th November

William Annett Saturday 17th November

Thomas Kimber Thursday 22nd November.

As always, we will be at The War Memorial at 7pm for a short service of Remembrance for each of these men who, sadly, lost their lives after the war ended.

SHOREHAM CROWN ROAD CHRISTMAS LIGHTS 2018

The lights are going up on Saturday 24th November and the big switch on will be on 1st December.

To make this event a success we need help; with bulb testing (fingers crossed we will have LED next year), and lots of help for putting up and taking down.

Dates for your diaries.

Testing:	Week of 19th November
Put-Up:	Morning of Saturday 24th November
Switch-On:	Saturday 1st December
Take-Down	Morning of Saturday 5th January 2019.

On Saturday 1st December meet in the Church at 5pm for traditional Carol singing. We will walk through the village so wrap up warm bring lanterns, torches and your voices good or bad to sing your heart out. We arrive back at Crown Road at approximately 6.30pm when the lights will be switched on. Refreshments from the Crown will be available and there will be a visit from Father Christmas. Please bring your friends and family to enjoy this thirty year old festive tradition. Look forward to seeing you *Eve, Keith, Marina, Jane and Paul.*

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The Society invites residents and members to its Annual General Meeting on Friday, November 23rd. The meeting takes place in the village hall, and starts at 7.30pm with the formal business part of the evening. Our guest speaker, David Hutton, from The Kent Wildlife Trust, will then follow this with a talk about Polhill Bank and other work being carried out by the Trust.

As a reminder, the Shoreham Society has been in existence for over 50 years, working to protect our very special and precious environment. We have been involved in numerous campaigns to fight threats to the village such as gravel extraction, a traveller site in Filston Lane and, more recently, an application by the District Council to build on Green Belt land. A further role of the Society is to organise a range of events which aim to bring the community together such as the annual Duck Race and occasional organised walks and talks.

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Sheila Birkin

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In 2015 a hedge was planted round the perimeter then in autumn 2015 the trees were planted. Finally in 2018 ten Shoreham school children helped plant ten trees. There are two entrances, one by the footpath and the other behind the tennis shelter.

The wood will be opened on November 10th and 11th and it will remain open to walk round. Next summer paths will be cut and there will be seats to sit on. A sign about the wood will be erected. A grant was made from Fields in Trust on the condition that an outdoor table tennis table is installed.

Sarah Parkes

SID WILSON

I was sad to hear of the death of Sid Wilson who was a great contributor to the Gazette with his poems that we all loved to read.

Ann Ball

The Dreamer

When I was young and skies were blue,
I had a dream that didn't come true.
No mountain was too high to climb,
I'd live forever 'til the end of time.
No problem was too hard to solve,
I'd face the world with firm resolve,
Sail the seas and visit each port,
Play for my country in our national sport,
Save my money as fast as I can,
I would not fail, I had a plan.
When I was young I thought they'd come true,
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SHOREHAM WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

TUESDAY 6TH NOVEMBER at 7.30pm

Our meeting for November will be in the Village Hall commencing at 7.30pm and our speaker will be Lucy Allen Stafford and her theme will be 'Stunt Woman'. New members and visitors welcome - Please come and join us.

THURSDAY 8TH NOVEMBER COMMUNITY COFFEE MORNING

10am – 12 noon in the Village Hall, all welcome. Please come and join us for a cup of tea or coffee, cake and a good natter. See you there.

FRIDAY 23RD NOVEMBER at 11.30am in the Church

We are holding a service in the Church as Shoreham Women's Institute celebrates 100 years - all are welcome to attend.

Sylvie Poynter

OUR CHURCH BELLS

The glorious 2018 summer has slipped into autumn and we have come to the end of our Wedding Ringing Schedule.

Our bells are special. FIVE of the current round of eight date from the 1600's. When compared with other towers our bells are considered heavy; the largest is nearly half a ton. Our oldest bells – now numbers 6 & 7 – were both cast in 1635 by John Wilmar at a small foundry in Borden, near Sittingbourne.

Ringers do tend to have a favourite bell – or looked at another way – their least feared bell! Some bells are kinder and less quirky than others. *Number 6 is usually Johnny Aisher's allotted bell and I can testify that it is quite unruly and particularly tricky. Some ringers even try to avoid it!!*

Fund raising for the church is never far from our thoughts and it would have been no different back in the early 1630's. Church officials and wardens would have had the task of finding the means to purchase these two new bells and plan for their arrival.

When the bells were cast in 1635 England was in the middle of what historians have termed the “11 year Tyranny”. Charles I had last called a Parliament in 1629 so was having to be ever more inventive in ways of raising taxes. Ship Money had long been levied in times of war but had previously been confined to the Ports. In 1635 a Ship Tax was demanded across the country as a whole. Up until 1635 taxes were paid by landowners and on the purchase of luxury goods. The Ship Money was demanded of relatively poor people who could often ill afford it and those who did not pay were summarily imprisoned.

So we can imagine the congregation having just managed to raise enough for their bell project (!), being plunged into fear and uncertainty by the demands of the King's

representatives to finance the royal coffers....we all know what happened a few years later when the people were forced to choose sides and so lurched into civil war....

After the Restoration in 1660 relative tolerance and calm had spread across the country. Our next bell (*now number 5 which is odd-struck and my preferred bell*) was cast in 1672 the year that Charles II introduced the “Royal Declaration of Indulgence” relaxing penal laws against protestant non-conformists and Roman Catholics.

Two more of our bells pre-date 1700 - 1675 (*now bell 4 - our favourite for learners*) and 1693 (*now 3 our lead bell - loved by all*). The year 1675 witnessed gathering optimism and enlightenment with King Charles II laying the foundation stone for the new Royal Observatory in Greenwich and the start of the reconstruction of St Paul’s Cathedral by Christopher Wren. Our historic bells nearly 400 years on remain a source of celebration for all....

WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN OUR VILLAGE RINGERS?

If you would like to try ringing please feel free to join us on practice night – most Monday evenings from 8pm or contact any of the ringers for more information. Our village ringers are Alison Collins, Amanda Hopkins Johnny Aisher, Frank Rodgers (Tower Captain), Jasper Hollingsworth-Payne, John Harling, John Orford, and John Smith

Alison Collins

ROYAL OAK GOLF SOCIETY

Our last meeting before our Christmas game and AGM (07.12.18) was held at Chislehurst Golf Club Friday 12th October. There were many of us that hoped that our games would match the gracious Regency elegance of the clubhouse - home to Napoleon III for several years. However, high winds and narrow fairways made it a challenging day for all, despite the teasing nature of so many par 3s.

The winners of the nearest the pins and longest drive were John McQuillen, Malcolm McFarlane and Martin Stevens respectively. Third place was Richard Sansom; second was Stuart Bryant and first prize (on countback) went to Nick Watkins with 36 points. A further prize went to the person who went round the course with the fewest number of strokes - the best scratch score - Dave Caldwell. The prestigious jar of marmalade went to Kate Howie who had the best guest’s score.

The Rogues’ season is drawing to a close, with only our meeting at Darent Valley Golf Course, followed by our AGM and Christmas Festivities to follow, but it’s been a good year with some great golf courses, perfect weather and, most importantly, convivial and happy friendships. Do get in touch if you think you might like to join us next year. christineecuman@yahoo.co.uk

Chris Euman

SHOREHAM VILLAGE STORES

Like other Shoreham businesses we have seen our takings suffer a bit of a dip as a result of Thames Water's long residency in the village. People have obviously found it harder to drive up and see us. So don't forget to come by and give us your support now that the water works are (hopefully) near an end.

Next year's diaries and calendars are in store this month. And you can now send and receive UPS parcels via the shop using the UPS Access Point service. Print off a label and leave the package at the counter by 1.30 pm for collection that day. Deliveries can go to the shop if you're out and you'll receive a text when it's there.

Santhosh, Kannan, Lorna and Prasanth

SHOREHAM VILLAGE SCHOOL

We have had a busy start to the school year following on from commendable and much celebrated academic results, with our published Key Stage 2 SATs showing well above average progress for our pupils; we are very proud of their successes which we feel reflect the high quality of teaching and learning that takes place in our school.

We achieved the Gold School Sports Mark for our PE provision (no mean feat for a small school like ours) and to back this up, we had some amazing sporting successes in the recent Aquasplash Swimming Festival, from which the children brought home not only gold, silver and bronze medals but commendations for determination and self-belief. Our football team played extremely well at the St Michaels Community Tournament last week, coming third out of eleven schools.

We were delighted to welcome members of the local community to our Harvest Cream Tea early in October and have been really pleased with the response we have had from our guests, who clearly enjoyed the tea and cake but most importantly, the chance to talk to our confident, articulate pupils, who were commended for their hosting skills and polite, enthusiastic conversation.

I have spent two weeks of this term in Tanzania with Rev Diane, setting up a multicultural link between our school, church and St Michael's, Otford, and a primary and secondary school in Chunya, a village in the Mpwapwa region. We have learned so much from the visit that we intend to share with the village of Shoreham. The main piece of learning that we can summarise is just how important education is; I thought I would be focusing mainly on primary education but have realised from a first-hand visit how much wider our thinking needs to be. This link was never supposed to be about sponsorship and we are determined to focus on education but we realise that there are simple and inexpensive

things that could be done to improve education and health for the people of Chunyu. We therefore hope that we will have your support as we establish the link and begin to raise some funds to carry out projects that will develop the learning of our own pupils and those in Chunyu. Please look out for local events or, if you would like to make a small donation to the school office for the Chunyu Partnership, even £1 will make a difference.

Finally, I am seeking local volunteers who would be willing, subject to appropriate safeguarding checks, to come into school and listen to children reading. You would be given guidance on what to do but it really is a case of being a listening ear. If you are interested, please contact the school office: office@shoreham.kent.sch.uk

Gillian Lovatt-Young Headteacher

SHOREHAM REACHES OUT TO GIVE HELP

The faces of children suffering through famine in Yemen and as a result of the earthquake in Indonesia are heartbreaking. We are planning a fundraising morning on Sunday 4th November based at Shoreham school. A village walk starts at 9.30am or you can take part in a cycle ride at 9am. These will finish at the school at about 11am when there will be brunch served. There will be a Bring and Buy Stall, a raffle and activities for children. Please try and help us raise as much money as we can for the children who are suffering.

Sheila Birkin, Agneta Edwards and Christine Euman

CITIZENS ADVICE

Independence at Home

Most people want to stay in their own homes for as long as they can; they want to be as independent as possible. Citizens Advice in Sevenoaks have been asked by Sevenoaks District Council to help eligible people to apply for grants to enable them to remain in their own homes (owner-occupied or rented) safely and independently for longer.

To assess what help you need, we can visit you in your home and then help you to apply for a NON-MEANS-TESTED Safe and Secure Grant of up to £1,000 if you are over 60 or have a specific medical condition. Grants can be obtained for anything that will help keep you safe and promote your independence, including:

- * Aids such as grab rails, chair raisers, bath seats, raised toilet seats, ramps and stair rails
- * additional security measures such as mortice locks, door chains, window locks, even a new secure front door
- * aids to help those with memory problems who might, for example, leave the bath running or forget to close the front door.

We can help you to apply for a NON-MEANS-TESTED Accelerated Facility Grant of up to £7,500 which could, for example, pay for both a wet room and a straight stair lift.

There are larger, means-tested Disabled Facilities Grants of up to £30,000 to pay for more extensive adaptations needed as a result of a disability.

If you own your home but have a low income, so claim Pension Credit or Council Tax Support, then Citizens Advice can help you to apply for a Housing Assistance Grant of up to £10,000 for urgent repairs - like a leaking roof - or to buy a new boiler.

Some of the grants are repayable, but not until the property is sold or transferred, and no interest is added.

For further information, or to book an appointment, ring 01732 454443, quoting 'Better Care'. For the drop-in service (10.00am-2.00pm T,Th, F) come to Sevenoaks CAB (next to the library). You can email info@sevenoaksdistrictcab.org.uk. Or you can ring 01732 454443 for an appointment with a CAB adviser at Otford Parish Council rooms on a Tuesday from 10.00 - 12.00.

SHOREHAM HISTORICAL SOCIETY

To publicise the Kent Firefighting Museum the Historical Society had a talk in October on the history of the formation of the Fire brigade, The museum which is run by volunteers, is located at Woodlands Garden Centre, Ashe Lane, Ash TN157EG open from 10.00am to 4.00pm www.kentfirefightingmuseum.org.uk, entrance is free. On 16th November David Cufley will talk to the Society about Brick Making.

Lynda Alleeson

AN EVENING WITH OWLS

14th November at 7pm

Tickets for 'An Evening with Owls' are now available to purchase! Join us for a magical evening in the company of our beautiful owls. From little to large, step into their world as they fly just inches over your head. Discover the hidden lives of these secretive birds as we travel the world meeting owls from frozen forests and sun-baked grasslands. Date: 14th November at 7pm in the Village Hall. Tickets cost only £5.50 per adult, £3.50 per child. We advise that tickets are purchased in advance as there may be no availability on the night - to book or for more information, you can call us on 01268 944023 www.owlevenings.co.uk.

Daniel Clark

SHOREHAM OVER 60S

14th November in the Village Hall at 2.15pm - we will be taught how to make a Christmas Card.

28th November is the day of our traditional Christmas Dinner all beautifully prepared with Carol singing to entertain us. Let us know if you are coming.

Ann Ball

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CHURCH FLOWER ROTA

3 rd November	Joyce Meade
10 th November	Sylvia Lyons
17 th November	Dale Newnham and Margaret Simmons
24 th November	Erica Dale

VILLAGE DIARY NOVEMBER 2018

4 th	Shoreham Reaches Out	School	9.30am
6 th	Shoreham Women's Institute	Village Hall	7.30pm
9 th	Royal British Legion AGM	Village Hall	7.30pm
14 th	Over 60s – make Christmas Cards	Village Hall	2.15pm
14 th	Owls	Village Hall	7pm
16 th	Historical Society	Village Hall	8pm
23 rd	Shoreham Society AGM	Village Hall	7.30pm
24 th	Crown Road lights up	Crown Road	9am
26 th	Friends of Shoreham Church fair	Church	10am – 1pm
28 th	Over 60s Xmas Dinner	Village Hall	12pm

The Shoreham Gazette and the Shoreham Extension fund acknowledge an anonymous donation of ~£10 to each fund

We have a very good website for the Church developed by Emily Aisher and updated by Jasper Dale. Do check it out for all church information.
<http://www.shorehamchurchkent.org>

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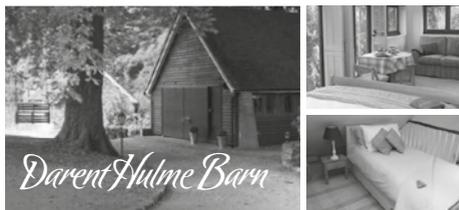
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