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martleshamscouts.thowell@yahoo.com.
Becoming a helper or hiring of the Scout HQ please contact
Lindsay Macleod 07828559026
Lindsayfw@msn.com

GIRLGUIDING MARTLESHAM



Currently we have
2 Brownie Packs (ages 7-10), 2 Guide Units (ages 10-14) & 1 Ranger Unit (ages 14-18) meeting around the Parish.
If you are interested in joining as a young member, or helping as a volunteer, please contact Jo on
martleshamguides@gmail.com or
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MARTLESHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Two Parish Councillor vacancies

Are you passionate about your community? Do you have concerns on a specific issue and want to do something about it? If so, then we need you. We need people from all backgrounds to help make a change. You can make a real difference in your community through having a voice in the decisions that your Council makes on the services and projects it should take forward. The work can be both exciting and rewarding, e.g. establishing the Community Orchard, getting involved with the Recreation Ground Management Plan, joining Martlesham Climate Action to bring about change in our community to tackle the climate emergency. If you want to improve the quality of life for your fellow residents, see Martlesham Parish Council as a tool to make that change.

Please get in touch with the Clerk if you are interested.

Harry Higgins Play Park

Martlesham PC is pleased to have financially supported the refurbishment of the Harry Higgins Play Park which opened on 6th October. The Pavilion Management Committee successfully revamped the site, expertly packing in lots of exciting play equipment that has been very well received by children and parents alike.

The Harry Higgins Play Park is situated behind the Pavilion by The Green on Martlesham Heath.

Planning issues

Brightwell Lakes

In 2018, East Suffolk Council (ESC) gave outline planning permission to an application from the owners of the Brightwell Lakes/ Adastral Park development for 2,000 dwellings. This outline permission reference DC/17/1435/OUT is still extant and details can be found on the ESC planning portal.

Three years on from the outline permission, the site has been sold, this time to the construction firm Taylor Wimpey who are now planning to take development forward. Preparatory groundwork is due to start later this year.

The site will be brought forward in phases with each phase being subject to 'reserved matters' applications. These will provide the details required to discharge the conditions attached to the outline application.

The first applications are:

DC/21/4002/ARM The construction of 173

dwellings (including 80 affordable houses)
DC/21/4003/ARM The construction of 22 dwellings

DC/21/4004/ARM The construction of 119 dwellings (including 34 affordable houses)

DC/21/4005/ARM The construction of 3 dwellings

The Parish Council has submitted its comments on these first four reserved matters applications. Go to www.taylorwimpey.co.uk/brightwelllakes for more details, please also check the East Suffolk Council website <https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/planning/>

McCarthy & Stone application

At the time of writing the Parish Council's Development, Environment and Transport Committee is waiting to be given the opportunity to comment on the conditions concerning the McCarthy & Stone application DC/21/3305/FUL Land to the east and south of The Square, Martlesham Heath.

Martlesham Speed Reduction - Speed Indicator Display

Work has been going on behind the scenes and by the time you read this our working group plans to have the Speed Indicator up and running at the first of the six sites. Thereafter it is planned to move it from site to site every couple of weeks.

Unfortunately, the work to erect two suitable replacement poles on Eagle Way north and south of the Valiant Rd junction by Suffolk County Council has not been carried out - we will push to have this done soon so we can slow down speeding past Birchwood School.

Once we have started collecting data on traffic speed and volumes this will be published on the Parish Council website, with summaries in the monthly magazines and our Facebook page.

Cutting back vegetation over footways

Now is a good time to trim back most shrubs, bushes and leafy plants that have thrived over the summer months and may be hanging over the footways from household gardens and business areas. A thoughtful prune will ensure that footways around the parish are accessible to all including those pushing buggies, people in wheelchairs and young children. Thank you!

A messy problem - dealing with dog fouling

Help keep our parish a lovely place to live and work in by picking up your dog's mess.

Anecdotal evidence suggests that the amount of dog owners in the area has increased as a result of the lockdowns and that some areas such as Martlesham Common Local Nature Reserve have seen the amount of dog poo on or by its paths increase. The message is simple, pick up after your dog and use the bins provided. You may have to walk a short way before finding a bin, but it shouldn't be too far before you find one!

Anti-social behaviour

Please report any anti-social behaviour to the Police at www.suffolk.police.uk/contact-us/report-something or: www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/community/anti-social-behaviour/

or telephone Suffolk Police on 101 or in an Emergency: 999.

Forthcoming meetings

Please note that the Council has agreed to hold its formal meetings in St Michael's Church Centre to allow for social distancing until December.

Parish Council - Wednesday 03 November 2021

Recreation & Amenities Committee - Wednesday 17 November 2021

Finance & General Purposes Committee - Wednesday 01 December 2021

Please note there is no meeting of the Parish Council in December.

All meetings start at 7.30pm and are open to the public, who are welcome to ask questions or make comments to the council during a public forum.

Venue: St Michael's Church Centre, The Drift, Martlesham Heath, IP5 3PL

Before attending, we strongly recommend you check our website or noticeboards in case of changes.

Contacting the Council

Clerk to Martlesham Parish Council, Parish Room, Felixstowe Road, Martlesham, Woodbridge IP12 4PB

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e-mail: enquiries@martleshamcouncil.org.uk
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Please "Follow Us" on our Facebook page which is @Martlesham Parish. The full address is <https://www.facebook.com/MartleshamParish>

REPORT FOR NOVEMBER 2021 FROM YOUR CONSERVATIVE DISTRICT COUNCILLOR CHRIS BLUNDELL

Planning Matters. I was recently disappointed to learn that the East Suffolk's Planning Referral panel considered The McCarthy & Stone's deferred application for apartments adjacent to the Square on Martlesham Heath, decided, in their view, that there were no further planning matters to consider and so delegated the application to the Planning Officers for determination which effectively meant that the application was certain for approval.

I now have a serious concern that with the loss of so much car parking space and the additional demand that will occur from the residents of the forty-one apartments, the majority of whom will need some form of motorised transport to travel to the retail park for their main shopping. The pressure on the remaining parking facility may cause problems and lead to further roadside parking.

Brightwell Lakes Estate. At the present time the area is being made safe for the wildlife that abounds on the site particularly around the miniature lake that will form a key part of the park/recreational area. The Brightwell Lakes forum will have met on the 15th October so it may be possible to report more up-to-date news in my next report.

Support available to help businesses recover. Funding and support are available

for businesses in East Suffolk which have been, and continue to be, severely affected by Covid -19 restrictions. Delivered in partnership with the New Anglia Local Enterprise, the new 'Plan for the Future' scheme provides support to local business which are looking to bring forward investment projects that will have a significant impact on their business. Eligible businesses will be able to apply for grants of between £5,000 and £25,000 to help support their projects.

Businesses wishing to apply for support should first contact the New Anglia Growth Hub on 0300 333 6536 or by email: growthhub@newangliagrowthhub.co.uk

Community Partnership. Currently the partnership is considering highway safety for non-motorists. The creation, maintenance and adoption of public highways is the responsibility of Highways England together with the County Council. Dangerous and careless driving is a matter for the police. Therefore, when considering safety for pedestrians and cyclists there is a limit to what can actually be achieved. Probably the most effective way to tackle speeding and careless use of the highway is the use of Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs) and cameras placed in suitable locations. The Community Partnership (CP) can provide funds to enable these projects.

I have had a number of meetings with the relevant County Councillors and officers who stress that the number of complaints

that they receive far exceeds the resources available to deal with the problems. Unfortunately, the East Suffolk Council has no authority to deal with any form of highway maintenance. The CP along with district and county councillors can make their budgets available to purchase equipment to help with highway safety.

Road Safety Week. This will be from 15th to 21st November 2021. During that week the CP will be making every effort to bring to the attention of motorists the importance of speed particularly on the many narrow roads in and around Suffolk. Other organisations will also be participating in the safety aspects.

Helping young people to take the next step. East Suffolk Council is continuing to support young people with further funding agreed by cabinet for the East Suffolk Youth Employment Service (YES), which is helping young people, aged between 16 and 24 years old, to find employment and training opportunities.

Delivered by Inspire Suffolk, young people can visit the dedicated YES Suffolk website at www.yessuffolk.co.uk to view current job opportunities.

If you wish to have further information on any of the foregoing topics or any other district council matter, please contact me by email at chris.blundell@east Suffolk.gov.uk. Otherwise by phone on 01473 622716.

MARTLESHAM HEATH HOUSEHOLDERS LTD

Annual Maintenance Surcharge

Thank you to all that have already paid, and we would encourage everyone else to pay asap. Please remember that all members who have not paid the 2021/2022 Annual Maintenance Fee by 1 December will be charged an additional £10 surcharge.

Saturday 9th October 2021

On the day 45 members made their payment at the Pavilion on the Green on Saturday 9th October 2021 between 9.00am and 1.00pm. The weather was beautiful, and we thank all members for making the effort to get to the Pavilion.

Shielding

If you are shielding, please let us know and we are happy to visit your house so you can pay by Contactless Card and we will maintain social distancing from you by leaving the card reader on your doorstep for you to use. Our phone number is 01473 612207 where you can leave a message.

Future Invoices by Email

If you would like to receive these invoices via email in future years, please go to the MHHL website mhhl.co.uk where you will find a blog with a link to allow you to register.

The use of e-scooters in the area

Police in the Ipswich and surrounding area are conducting a month-long campaign on the illegal use of e-scooters in the area. Currently in the UK, you can legally buy an e-scooter, but you cannot ride it on a public road, cycle lane or pavement. The only place it can be used is on private land. The purpose of the campaign is to highlight to the public the current legal status of e-scooters, whilst also removing them from the roads and pavements where powers allow. Police are keen to educate owners and riders of privately-owned e-scooters about the current legislation and, where appropriate, take enforcement action, especially where there is evidence of anti-social behaviour, other riding offences, persistent use or wider criminality. Just to be clear, the use of e-scooters on Martlesham

Heath Householders Limited land is strictly prohibited.

Birch Woods Restoration

MHHL have been looking at the pathways in Birch Woods and we have noticed several new ones have appeared probably established due to lockdowns and Covid restrictions over the past year. We are now in the process of restoring some of these back to their original state and ask that branches etc are not removed to create further pathways. The pathway which cuts a corner off near the Green has been highlighted for bluebells to be planted as well.

Contact and further information

If there are any issues that you feel that need attention please do not hesitate to contact Martlesham Heath Householders Ltd by leaving a voicemail on 01473 612207 or by email to mailto:martleshamheathhouseholders@gmail.com or by post to Martlesham Heath Householders Ltd, PO Box 897, Martlesham Heath, Ipswich, Suffolk, IP1 9PB.

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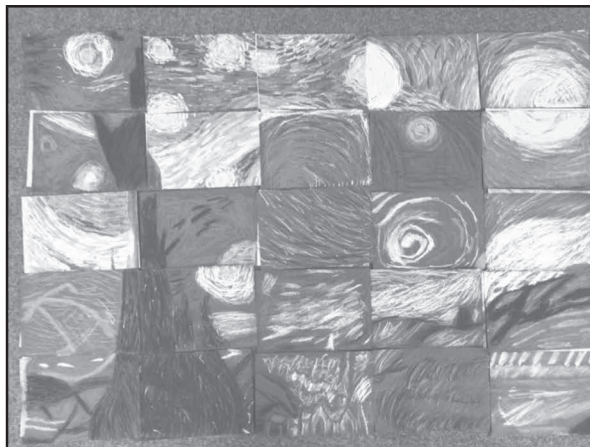
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MARTLESHAM PRIMARY ACADEMY

We have enjoyed welcoming our new reception starters and are very proud of how well they have settled.

Since the start of term all the children have been enjoying their themes for this term. In Small Blues, they are exploring 'Me and My Community' and have had a birthday party for Humphrey (the class toy cat).



In Holly Blues, they are exploring 'Paws, Claws and Whiskers' and were able to meet a bearded dragon and dogs who have visited them! In Adonis Blues, they are exploring 'Traders and Raiders' and have designed and created their own Viking long ships.

In Chalk Hill Blues and Silver Studded Blues, they are exploring 'Stargazers' and have learnt about our Solar System and re-created Vincent Van Gogh's Starry Night artwork collaboratively as shown.

You can find out more about the school, including our Early Years provision, by visiting the school and meeting Miss Churchman, Head Teacher. If you have a child starting Reception in September 2022 we have two open morning sessions or you can contact the School Office to book a convenient time. We welcome all families, including those outside or catchment. More details about our school are on our website, you can call us on 01473 624409 or email office@martleshamacademy.org.

We are MPA and we are proud.

GORSELAND PRIMARY SCHOOL – Reception 2022 Admission Information

We would like to welcome all prospective parents who are applying for a school place for September 2022 to join us for one of our 'Open Sessions' which aim to provide you with an insight into our Gorseland community. Our sessions will provide you with an opportunity to meet our Headteacher, Mr. Jackson and some members of our existing Reception team as well as have a tour of the school with our Year 6 pupils.

This year's remaining open sessions are being held on:

Tuesday 2nd November from 6.00 p.m. to 7.00 p.m.

Thursday 4th November from 1.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m.

Please contact the School Office on 01473 623790 or email office@gorseland.net to confirm the date you would like to visit us; we look forward to welcoming you to our school.

AUTUMN AT HEDGEHOG NURSERY

Our new 2021 Hedgehog family has settled in fantastically, we have built friendships and jumped straight into our new adventure. The learning atmosphere we provide is where children can explore and investigate in a safe, stimulating and challenging environment. We capitalise on the children's interests to springboard them into learning experiences that extend what they can already do. We have loved putting some amazing ideas into practise already!

We have been celebrating the changing season, where we have made observations using our senses and collected Autumnal treasures such as leaves and horse chestnuts that we then incorporated into all aspects of our play. We have been thinking about Harvest and how the farmers are busy at work collecting all of the crops. We have had a go at harvesting some of the crops we have in our very own growing beds; we of course don't have big machinery but our hands were perfect for the job!

If you are 'curious' and have a three or four-year-old, please don't hesitate to get in touch with the School Office on 01473 623790. We are holding open sessions on the following dates this month:

Wednesday 10th November 9.30 a.m. to 10.30 a.m.

Thursday 11th November 1.30 p.m. to 2.30 p.m.

SCOUT CHRISTMAS POST

The Scouts Christmas card collection and delivery service is back this year.

The delivery area covers Kesgrave, Rushmere, Martlesham Ipswich Borough ie. all postcodes IP1 to IP5, together with Felixstowe, The Trimleys and Kirton and some surrounding villages including Claydon, Barham, Gt Blakenham, Westerfield, Witnesham, Henley, Tuddenham and Old Martlesham.

Postboxes will be available from **25th November** at many collection points across the area. The cost per card will be 30p and the closing date is **Tuesday 7th December**.

All profits are shared between the scout groups taking part in the ratio of the number of cards collected and delivered. Further information about delivery areas and collection points can be found at www.scoutspostipswich.org.uk

The collection postboxes in Martlesham Heath will be at Duncans Bakery & The Runway Café and in Martlesham, BlackTiles Lane Post Office and J's Fish and Chip Shop, as in previous years.



Would you like to receive our Bright Stars Activities sheets for pre-school aged children?

Bright Stars normally runs free fun Activity Sessions for Pre-school aged children with their parents, grandparents, friends, family and/or carers at St Michael's Church Centre, Martlesham Heath, on the 2nd and 4th Monday mornings of each month during term time. They usually involve singing, games, making crafts to take home and telling stories from the Bible.

At the moment we are sending out activity sheets by email and/or post for the children to enjoy doing with their family and/or carers. Unfortunately, we are not meeting in person at present due to the coronavirus pandemic. We recently learnt about Noah and the ark, making our own ark and rainbow mobile. We also thought about Harvest, the food we eat and how it gets to us.

If you have or look after a child/children of pre-school age and would like to receive our sheets, please give us a call on the telephone number below; we look forward to hearing from you.

*If you would like further information, please contact: Sonya & Maureen Burrows
Tel.01473 625196*

PORTAL WOODLANDS CONSERVATION GROUP

At our September work morning, a stunning effort from our Volunteers cleared a huge swathe of the perimeter track. Again this month, we were very pleased that several new people joined us.

Those taking a walk through the woods might have discovered some late summer colour. Red admiral butterflies could be seen drinking nectar from the very unassuming flowers of ivy. Often unrecognised, being so different from its spring form, the bright red berries of the lords and ladies plant stand out in the green undergrowth. Although visible any time of the year, fungi becomes more prevalent as we move into autumn and can bring some very unusual forms and colour.

With Guy Fawkes Night approaching, please take care to check for hedgehogs in your bonfire and carefully remove them.

Our November work morning is Saturday 20th, from 10:00 to Noon, meet at the Education Area. Please bring your own gloves, refreshments and, if possible, tools. Please visit <https://pwcg.onesuffolk.net/volunteer-work-mornings/> for full details of how we are operating our volunteer work mornings post-covid.

New volunteers of all ages and abilities are always welcome. No experience needed. For further information, please contact us at pwcg.martlesham@gmail.com, phone: 01473 612632 or visit our website: pwcg.onesuffolk.net or join our members' Facebook Group by messaging Duncan Sweeting.

Stephen Corley, Chairman



MARTLESHAM BRASS 'Making Music Fun in East Anglia'

Members of Martlesham Brass will be paying their respects on Sunday November 14th at Remembrance Day parades in both Woodbridge and Martlesham.

Looking forward into December, the ever popular 'Coffee & Carols' will take place on Saturday December 4th, and our Christmas Concert is on Saturday December 18th. Both events will take place in St Michael's Church Centre Martlesham Heath - there will be further details next month.

Our beginners band is now operating again, so if you feel you would like to learn to play a brass instrument, or if you already play and would be interested in joining us, please email join@martleshambrass.co.uk. Please note that we operate a waiting list for new members.

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Martlesham in Bloom Shrubs and trees in your garden

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Whatever plants you choose the more you can grow in your outdoor space the more you are helping our wildlife, our planet, and ourselves - we hope you enjoy your plants and enjoy watching the wildlife they bring in!

Hanging baskets and planted containers in The Square

The Square had certainly looked much brighter this summer with the floral hanging baskets and several containers of summer bedding plants. We were very grateful to the following who had given a donation towards the cost of the baskets and containers:-

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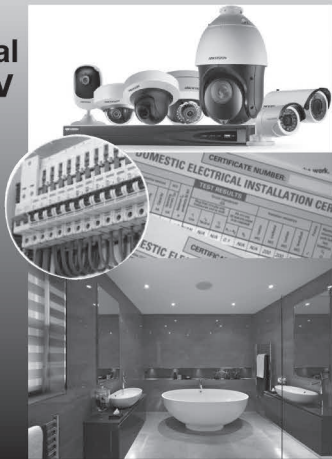


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There are dozens of Community First Responder (CFR) groups across Suffolk, and as volunteers we only respond to calls from Ambulance control to help patients in an emergency at the discretion of the Ambulance Service, depending on the individual circumstances of each call.

As we are a small team, we are not able to be on call all of the time, but working in conjunction with the BT Adastral Park Ambulance team, we do endeavour to be available as much of the time as possible. If anyone would be interested in helping us by joining the team and training as a CFR, then please take a look at <https://www.eastamb.nhs.uk/join-the-team/community-first-responders> or contact me at johnny.dixon@btinternet.com



Martlesham Heath Baby and Toddler Group meets every Wednesday and Friday at Martlesham Heath Pavilion Session time is 10.30 – 12.00 (term-time only)

We have play time, along with song time with instruments, before providing a drink for the children, and tea or coffee for the parent/carers.

**Session prices are £3.00 for the first child and £1 for any additional children
£5 capped fee for Childminders**

Sessions have to be pre-booked as we are limited on attendees, so please follow our Facebook page. We are only taking bookings one week in advance and to book you need to message the Facebook page directly. Please email for more information.

**Find us on Facebook
email: MHBTG@outlook.com**

The extraordinary aviation history of Martlesham Heath from the Great War to the jet age, local wartime exploits, and other general Aviation topics, are covered at our monthly meetings. The 1st Friday of the month at The Community Centre, Felixstowe Road IP12 4PB @ 7:30 p.m. (subject to any Govt restrictions)

General contact details:
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MARTLESHAM CONSERVATION GROUP

Many thanks to those who attended the Martlesham Climate summit and came to our stand to discuss wildlife both locally and on a wider scale. It was good to speak to you all and discuss the two major challenges that we face of climate change and of declining biodiversity and the inter-play between them.

We are fortunate to have Heathland locally, which is a rare habitat in the world context and so very important for biodiversity. It may be you could help with our locally important wildlife sites by joining our Group or trying one of our work parties, which have started up again on a regular basis. Please contact me for details.

For a more general view of things that we can do to combat Climate Change The Wildlife Trusts have published a guide online - <https://www.wildlifetrusts.org/things-you-can-do-climate-change>. The guide has tips and ideas on what you eat, travel, energy use, water use, re-cycling and re-use, reducing flood & heat risk, etc.

The disappointing summer will have had an impact on some of our wildlife which may not be truly felt until next year. Most of the butterfly species have disappeared now but there were still a few that could be seen at the beginning of October. Indeed some butterfly species over-winter in the adult stage and take up residence in our sheds and garages, hoping to find the necessary shelter and humidity to keep going until they can re-emerge in the spring. Our birdlife has changed, most of the summer migrants that came to us from Africa should have got well on their way but there may still be a chance of a migrant dropping in on passage, so it always worth keeping a look out.

Over the last year we managed to complete a number of surveys and managed to cover birds in the woodland and heath, and butterflies on

the heath. The Silver Studded Blue butterflies did not seem to have a good year.

Unfortunately the trend of recent years seems to be continuing. The Silver Studded Blue butterflies were found in several spots but all with very low numbers. One individual Silver Studded Blue was found on the Common, so the colony which re-established a few years ago may be hanging on. Single brooded butterfly and moth species may be becoming victims of Climate Change; Butterfly Conservation has some articles online discussing the results of some research. For example <https://butterfly-conservation.org/news-and-blog/climate-change-among-british-butterflies-and-moths>

We will discuss the results of our surveys in more detail as well as other aspects of our local wildlife at our AGM, which we intend to hold online via Zoom in mid November. Please contact me if you would like to attend.

Looking ahead we may get colder weather through the winter, please try leaving some piles of twigs and other organic material out in your gardens as a refuge for wildlife including small mammals such as hedgehogs. But please do not disturb these piles until we are well into the warmer weather of spring. Also look out for winter migrant birds on our heaths, woodlands and gardens. In previous years these included Stonechat and Dartford Warbler and visitors from further afield such as Redwings that seem to like the shelter and food resource amongst the sparse trees and heather of the heath whilst also using the puddles formed after winter rain to take a drink.

If you are interested in the activities of the group or have any interesting wildlife observations please contact us. Our next work party is on Sunday 7th November at 10am on the Martlesham Heath SSSI.

Phil Smith 01473 625630 e-mail:

MARTLESHAM VILLAGE FETE 16th July 2022

We hope you have the date firmly in your diary as it is looking good for next year's fete after a covid induced absence of two years. It will be good to get everyone back on the Green and surrounding buildings to take part in the stalls, entertainments and games we will have on offer.

The Parish Council Wildflower group exists to promote wildflowers and ecological diversity within Martlesham, while the Climate Action Group is encouraging us to become a Green Village by dedicating part of our gardens to wildlife. This has all come together in the Martlesham Wildflower Photographic Competition 2022

The winning entries will be displayed at the village fete, and you are invited to send in your entries for this exciting new competition. The basic rules are simple

The theme of the competition is 'Wildflowers in the Parish of Martlesham'

Photographs must be taken anywhere within the parish of Martlesham and be the entrant's own work. They may be submitted to the parish council either as a hard copy (maximum size to be A5, 6in X 8in or equivalent) or in a jpeg format. Entrant's name and picture title must be on the back of the hard copy or included in the title of your jpeg file sent by email. Photographs must be taken between 1st May 2021 and 17th June 2022. Entry is free and the maximum number of entries per person is three photographs.

There will be first, second and third prizes for the best photograph in the under 18 age group and there will be first, second and third prizes for the best photograph in the 18 and over age group

Entry forms and a full set of guidelines are available on the Parish Council website and Facebook page

MARTLESHAM HEATH AVIATION SOCIETY

Our meeting on Friday, 1st October featured an illustrated talk by Nick Black, who has made a study of an infamous incident which occurred just three days after war was declared in 1939. "The Battle of Barking Creek", as it became known was neither a battle nor had it anything to do with a mythical "Barking Creek". The title of Nick's talk was a purely abstract name. There is no Barking Creek any more than there is a "Wigan Pier". How it got its name is a mystery.

It began with a false report from Canewdon radar station, which was part of the "Chain Home" radar defence system we employed and which was so successful. The station reported a blip on their radar screen which indicated that a possible force of enemy aircraft were approaching our shores. A large force of Hurricanes and Spitfires were sent aloft to try to find these aircraft. Without success because the radar reading which triggered the response

was the result of a technical failure.

It resulted in two of our fighters becoming victim of what today is called "friendly fire". A Hurricane in particular can resemble an enemy Messerschmitt 109.

A radar defence system known as IFF, (identity friend or foe), had been developed at Bawdsey and this was to prove very successful. Unfortunately IFF was not available at that time and not even widely available during the Battle of Britain, in 1940.

It was a very interesting talk particularly because RAF Martlesham provided the aircraft for the development of the Chain Home defence system and early airborne radar.

A vote of thanks was given by our chairman, Martyn Cook.

Our next meeting, on Friday November 5th features an illustrated talk by Simon Gladas,

entitled "Bentwaters 75th Anniversary - The RAF years 1944-45".

All meetings are held in the Community Hall, Felixstowe Road, Martlesham, IP12 4PB and start at 7.30pm. with a tea/coffee break. Non-members are welcome for a payment of just £4 at the door.

Alan Powell 01473 622458.
www.mhas.org.uk

We will be holding our annual Remembrance Service this year after missing two years because of the pandemic.

The service will be held on the Barrack Square, Barrack Road, Martlesham on Sunday 14th November at 2.30pm. The service has previously been held at 3pm. However, by holding it at 2.30pm it should finish before the weather becomes too cold.

Hopefully we will once again enjoy a good response from our residents.



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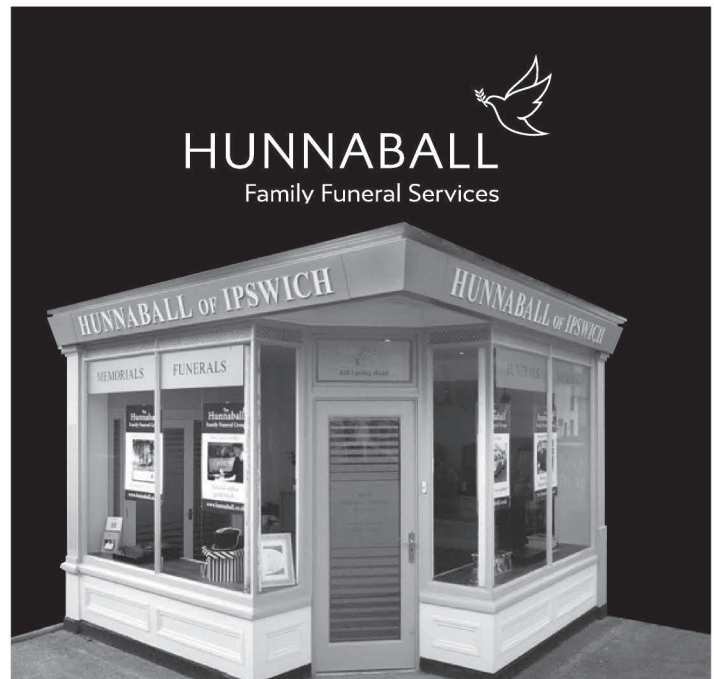
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**Martlesham Repair Hub, Saturday 13th November, 10 - 1 St Michael's Church
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Don't bin it – Repair it!

We throw away loads of stuff that could easily be repaired. If it was repaired and re-used, that would reduce the volume of raw materials and energy needed to make new products. It cuts CO2 emissions, for example, because manufacturing new products and recycling old ones causes CO2 to be released.

The snag is that often people are reluctant to have a go at mending things, but at the Repair Hub there'll be the experts who can give you a hand. As well as acquiring skills for the future, and saving valuable resources, you'll find that mending things can be a lot of fun.

So the scheme is that you bring broken items from home and working together with the volunteer experts at the hub you repair them. If it can't be repaired in the hub, there will be pointers as to who might locally be able to help. The items could be clothes or electrical or electronic goods, maybe bikes or crockery or toys.

The Repair Hub takes its cue from the Repair Cafe initiative. With more than 2000 repair cafes worldwide, and some 150 in the UK it is a growing initiative that has been adopted as a part of Martlesham Climate Action's activities. The Martlesham Repair Hub will be at St Michael's Church on Saturday 13th November from 10 until 1, and every month after that. It will be next to the Runway Cafe so you can get refreshments while you are there!

Please get in touch by email if you have skills to share and would like to help out as a volunteer, or if you would like your organisation to be listed in the local directory of repairers.

At the time of writing we were still sorting our insurance so if you are thinking of bringing something along to repair, e-mail us first to

check the Repair Hub is definitely running on November 13th.

Email: Martleshamrepairhub@gmail.com

Other useful contacts: <https://www.repaircafe.org/en/>

Carbon Reduction Challenge reminder

A reminder that that you are urged to take a carbon reduction survey that will help you get started on how you can reduce your carbon footprint and do your bit to help reduce the amount of CO2 getting into the Earth's atmosphere. Like vaccination, a few people won't have a big impact but if 70% of us (current COVID vaccination percentage in the total UK population) start to make changes it will have a big impact. At the time of writing, only 10 surveys in Martlesham had been completed (0.2% of the population). We are not going to beat Kesgrave or Waldringfield at that rate!! Please take the survey at www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/greensuffolkbefore

Martlesham Climate Advice Hub

A reminder this is open every Saturday morning 10-12 at the Runway Café in St Michael's church. I have had 2 enquiries from residents about getting more loft and cavity wall insulation. With dramatically increasing gas prices this is a 'no brainer' and the pay back time is probably less than a couple of years. We have advice sheets on this and East Suffolk Council also run a 'warm homes healthy people' grant scheme.

To see if you are eligible go to: <https://www.eastsuffolk.gov.uk/housing/energy-efficiency-and-warm-homes/warm-homes-healthy-people/> or ring 0345 037 686. They use Aran Services to do all the work: <https://www.arangroup.co.uk/pages/437/Contact-Us/> (other installers are available!).



Dave Green

Co-chair, Martlesham Climate Action (A Martlesham Parish Council working group)

(P.S. pop in to the Runway Café on Saturday mornings and say hi!)

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WOODBIDGE REPAIR CAFE IN ACTION



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Speak Easy is part of Toastmasters International, and we offer public speaking opportunities. We provide a fun and supportive forum to speak, and to evaluate.

We have now returned to the Richard's Room in Martlesham, although we are still using our Zoom format as well for now. We encourage new members to join us in the room, where we are joined by the online audience giving us the experience of one meeting.

Guests are welcome to join Speak Easy to see what we have to offer, and to take part if you would like. On a typical evening, you can expect introductions, a round of impromptu speaking, three prepared speeches, and evaluations throughout.

We hope you will choose to become a member, whether to beat public speaking nerves, develop your abilities, enter competitions, or help us run the club!

Speak Easy meetings are held on alternate Thursdays. Our next meetings are 14th and

28th October, and 11th and 25th November Join at 7:00pm for a 7:15pm start and finishing at 9:30pm

Speak Easy is an inclusive and diverse group, open to anyone 18 years or over.

If you would like any further information, or to attend one of our online meetings please contact Adam Green:

Adam Green: vppr@speak-easy.org.uk or www.speak-easy.org.uk or find us on Facebook: Speak Easy Martlesham

WOODBIDGE MEMORY CAFE

By the time you read this, and subject to Covid restrictions, the Woodbridge Memory Cafe will have reopened.

The Cafe, which is run by the Rotary Clubs of Woodbridge Deben and Woodbridge, ably assisted by Woodbridge Inner Wheel, is due to reopen on October 27th. We meet on the

MARTLESHAM HEATH SURGERY – PPG NEWS for November 2021

The late summer warmth meant we were able to hold a second meeting in my garden in September with the benefits of social distancing and plenty of fresh air. It's the first time all members of our group had been together since the start of the pandemic. Rachel and Julie updated us on practice news including some staffing changes. I'm reporting as many as were confirmed at the time of writing (mid October).

Many of you will have met or spoken to Dr Albarzagni and Dr Miah who joined Dr Tobias's team during the past year as locum GP's. They were joined in May by Lucy, Advance Nurse Practitioner, who specialises in skin complaints. They will all continue to work at the practice, but sadly, in November, Drs Leljiveld, James and Ravichandran will all be retiring, although Dr Ravichandran will continue to provide his services as a locum.

The number of clinical appointments available has increased overall because we also have two ECP's (Emergency Care Practitioners), Phil and Kieron, who cover the week between them, conducting home visits as well as seeing patients at the surgery for minor injuries and ailments. Louisa, a physiotherapist joined us recently to conduct physio assessments and referrals and we will soon meet Melanie, a Physician Associate, who is due to start in November.

Since September, for the first time, the practice has been involved with the teaching of medical students from the UEA in Norwich. Dr Miah is the tutor for this new venture and he will be teaching the year 2 and 4 students two days per week, during term time.

The PPG would like to put on record our thanks to those who are leaving for all their care and continued service, especially throughout the pandemic in the most difficult circumstances. We wish them a long and relaxing retirement. We also thank and are grateful to those who continue to provide health care for patients in our community.

last Wednesday of every month except December, and welcome all sufferers of memory loss and their carers.

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Deben Rotary will soon be helping Santa get his sleigh ready for December when his routes around Martlesham Heath and Martlesham will start on December 10th. Further details of routes and times will follow next month.

Santa will also be visiting the Regatta at Whisstock's Place on December 5th.

KESGRAVE LIBRARY NEWS

Sunday Crafts – Sunday crafts (10.00 – 12.00 noon) have been reintroduced. Please ring us on 01473 626103 to book a space. In November we are making:

Sunday 6th – Next Sunday is Remembrance Sunday. Pop along and create a posy of poppies.

Sunday 13th – The leaves have all nearly blown away. Design an autumn leaf picture.

Sunday 20th – Thursday 25th is Thanksgiving in America. Create a doily turkey to displace.

Sunday 27th – It's nearly December! Make a paper plate elf to begin your Christmas decorations.

Activities are free. Parents must stay with under eights.

Covid -19 Self-Test (Rapid Antigen Tests) – Did you know that your local library is a collection point for these tests? Please just pop along and ask staff for however many boxes you or your family require.

Word Play Sessions – These sessions are being held at the Kesgrave Community Centre on a Wednesday, with Tot Rock at 9.45 – 10.15 a.m. and Baby Bounce at 10.45 – 11.15a.m. until Wednesday 17th November.

After this date, we are moving back into the library and the day will revert to a Thursday. First session Thursday 25th November.

With the relaxation of covid restrictions, these sessions are no longer bookable, but some guidelines do still apply. If you would like to attend, please pop along.

Story Time – Story Time every Friday 9.45 – 10.15 a.m. This is now being held in the library. Booking is no longer necessary – please pop along – we look forward to seeing you.

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Lego Club – Every Tuesday during term time from 3.30 p.m. – 4.30 p.m. Please phone us to book a place as numbers are currently limited, I'm afraid.

Book Club – the library's book clubs have returned. If you are interested in joining, please do give us a ring. We currently have an afternoon and evening club. We hope to see you soon.

Facebook and Instagram – to keep up to date with all that is going on at the library, please like and follow our Facebook page (Kesgrave Library) and our Instagram Account (@kesgravelibrary).

Scout Post Box – We are hoping to have the Scout Post Box this year from Thursday 25th November – Tuesday 7th December.

Christmas Stall – sadly this year we do not have Cards for Good Causes, as they have limited the number of sites offering their charity cards this year.

We do have Suffolk Wildlife Fund, The Somersham Ward from Ipswich Library and Suffolk Libraries Christmas Cards as well, as a selection of festive wrapping paper, tags and gift bags on offer. Payment is cash or card. All sales help to support your local library.

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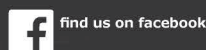
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- Outcomes for pupils are excellent. Pupils enter the school in Reception with broadly average achievement. As a result of the outstanding Quality of Education, pupils exit Birchwood with achievement above that of their peers nationally. Often, significantly above in terms of both progress and attainment. Impact is far greater than simply test results. Birchwood is one of only 2 school DEFRA approved egg production units in the UK! The children record daily egg production, label and market the eggs, produce weekly spreadsheets on profit v outgoings, order food and materials and care for the flock. This gives them first hand business 'life experience,' before transferring to Secondary school.

- We offer an extensive range of additional clubs, activities and support and extension programmes for children to participate in and our staff team constantly research and embrace new initiatives.

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The Deben Rotary Club of Woodbridge

We hope to have a tracker device on Santa's sleigh so you can follow us. We will constantly up date our Web page Martlesham Parish Council. We will collect money but will NOT be knocking on doors. There will be just a few Rotarians with the sleigh with collecting buckets and a card payment machine. For details see, www.debenrotary.org.uk As last year, we will not be able to collect letters from the children as we go round, we have a dedicated email address for "Letters to Santa" debenrotarylettertosanta@gmail.com

All money collected is for the Charity Trust fund of the Club from which we support Local, District, National and International Charities. Charity No. 1151275. For more information about the Rotary one million plus members in the world, including membership, please Contact Rotarian Ian O'Brien Baker on 01394 382419, 07747 610 894 or ianmeadhome@btconnect.com.

All the Rotary movement hope you have a very happy Christmas and New Year

All collections runs start at 5.45pm and finish by 8pm All dates December 2021. All runs are liable to cancellation if weather is bad.

SLEIGH ROUTE FRIDAY 10th December
Martlesham, Blacktiles Lane, Carol Avenue, Angela Close, Chandos Drive and Close, Ravens Way, Green Lane, Buckingham Close, Alban Square. Crown Close, Viking Heights/ Close

SLEIGH ROUTE SATURDAY 11th December
Woodbridge Thoroughfare outside H.S.B.C. Bank from 9 to 9.30am until 5pm. at latest.

SLEIGH ROUTE TUESDAY 14th December
Martlesham Heath, Birch Grove, York Road, Lancaster Drive, Coopers Road Avocet Lane. Swan Close, Lark Rise, Burgess Place.

SLEIGH ROUTE WEDNESDAY 15th DECEMBER
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SLEIGH ROUTE THURSDAY 16th DECEMBER
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SLEIGH ROUTE FRIDAY 17th DECEMBER
Martlesham Heath, Farriers Close, Stable Court, Hunters Ride, The Chase, DeBrink on the green, Valiant Way, Saddlers Place, Carlford Close, Manor Road.

SLEIGH ROUTE MONDAY 20th DECEMBER
Deben Avenue, Gayfer Avenue both Martlesham. Closes off Dobbs Lane, Kesgrave, Dobbs Drift, Jacksons Close, Copswood Close, Grange Lane, Grange Close, Stephen Road. We intend to advertise that before leaving each Close we will stop to allow people living on Dobbs Lane to come and visit Santa as we do not intend to stop on Dobbs Lane.

WILD CHURCH

A new style of 'Church' has started in Martlesham.

We are holding 'Wild Church' services, outside, at St Mary's church (IP12 4PQ), during school holidays and the next one will be on Wednesday 29 December.

It will start at 2pm and will be held outside whatever the weather so that we can discover God through the natural world. It will be a very 'hands on' time with lots of activities to take part in. This will be a service for all ages but all children of primary school age must be supervised by an adult.

You will need appropriate clothing and shoes and a mug for your hot chocolate/tea/coffee at the end of the session.

To get there go up School Lane (opposite the Red Lion pub; left up church lane and you'll find the car park at the top of the road). If you want more information please contact me - Rev Margaret Rittman mgtritt@me.com.

MARTLESHAM LADIES CLUB

We all really enjoyed our face to face meetings in September when we were able to catch up with all our news. There was a welcome return of Eric Punaks who amused and entertained us all with his stories and poems.

There are two meetings planned for November; on 4th November 2021 Ann Day will give a talk entitled 'Remarkable Women of Ipswich' and on the 18th November 2021 Jenny, one of our members, will demonstrate some Crafts for Christmas. Looking further ahead, on 2nd December 2021 we are holding an early Christmas party with entertainment by the Tyler Kemp Trio.

Meetings are held on alternate Thursday afternoons at 2 30pm in the Richards Room. New members are very welcome. To find out more contact June Peck 01473 790126.

GOLDEN GIRLS

Hi Everyone This month we are finally getting our Fish and Chips, long awaited !

As our meeting falls on the actual Armistice Day, our vicar Toby Tate has kindly agreed to attend our meeting and we will have a short service to commemorate the day Therefore the meeting will start at 10.30am, rather than the usual start time of 11am.

We will also be taking the names of members who will be joining us for our Christmas lunch at the Douglas Bader and I am sorry to tell you that we will also need your lunch money on that day, so make sure you have it with you. Otherwise I find it quite frightening to realise that Christmas is fast looming - Where has this year gone?!

We deliberately have not so far made any plans for the New Year so please put your thinking caps on and come up with some ideas for outings next year.

I will add that we are always open for new members As I have previously said we are a friendly bunch and membership is open to any ladies who live alone. We provide friendship and backup with no strings attached

If interested please contact Ann Price on 01473 620832

Judith Longman

WOOLLY WONDERS

We continue to enjoy sociable knitting and crocheting every Thursday 10-12 at The Runway. Chatting and crafting outside as often as possible. Feel free to join in.

Our latest donation to charity was £290 to MacMillan at the end of September. Achieved just from our small group bringing and eating cakes along with a raffle!

Next year we plan to yarn bomb Martlesham Heath with all things Royal to celebrate the Queen's platinum jubilee ,so watch out for that! We'll also be supporting St Elizabeth's Hospice 'The Big Hoot' ,with our own woolly version of their owl trail , as well as taking part in the summer fete on The Green in July



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Remembering

November is a time of remembering and we have so much to remember don't we?

One function is to remember those who died in war, not only serving members of the armed forces but also innocents who happened to be in the wrong place at the wrong time.

It's a time to remember the warmth of the summer (think hard, there was some!) and the holidays we enjoyed with family and friends.

After the past 2 years, it's a time to remember those who have died and for whom we have not been able to mourn as we might, due to Covid restrictions.

But whilst remembering it is also a time to look forward. To see how we can heal hurts from conflict and make the world a more welcoming place for those who struggle. It's a time to look forward to the changing seasons and to think about how we can play our part in restoring a healthy planet. It's a time to look forward to celebrations in the coming year.

When they were going through a particularly tough time God told the Israelites, 'I know the plans that I have for you. They are plans for peace and not disaster, plans to give you a future filled with hope'. Perhaps these are words we can also accept as we move forward into our uncertain future.

Rev Margaret Rittman.
Martlesham with Brightwell.

East Suffolk u3a's 2021/22 speaker programme is well underway, with a range of topics from Queen Victoria to Steam Power, Arsenic to the East Anglian Air Ambulance service, all within the same month.

Talks are open to all members, and guests are invited to come along and sample the benefits of joining u3a.

Thursday 4 November 10.30 to 12.30
Salvation Army Hall, Felixstowe IP11 7EL
Arsenic's Toxic Legacy: history, horror and humour! Presented by Dr Neal Dickinson

Thursday 11 November 2.00 to 4.00
Market Hall, 29 High Street, Saxmundham IP17 1AF

The East Anglian Air Ambulance: history, operations, call-outs and crew. Presented by Peter Harrison

Monday 15 November 10.30 to 12.30
Woodbridge Football Club, 17 Fynn Road, Woodbridge IP12 4LS

Queen Victoria: a lighthearted look at her life. Presented by Tony Diamond
Monday 29 November 2.00 to 4.00
Kesgrave Community Centre, Twelve Acre Approach, Bell Lane, Kesgrave IP5 1JF
Farming with Steam: life on the farm in the early days of steam power. Presented by Tom Doig

While all necessary guidance is taken into account and precautions followed, we strongly advise members to check on the u3a East Suffolk website to avoid unnecessary journeys should meetings need to be cancelled or postponed.

East Suffolk u3a offers its members the choice of 160+ different interest groups to enjoy. Membership is open to everyone who is no longer in full-time work.

If you are interested in joining, please visit the website: www.u3aeastsuffolk.org.uk, call 01473 401878 or email membership@u3aeastsuffolk.org.uk.

MARTLESHAM VILLAGE HALL TOP STREET

Although we have regular bookings for evenings throughout the year, morning and afternoon sessions are available.

The hall is ideal for small groups who need to meet at a reasonable cost, discount for residents of Martlesham.

For any queries or bookings please contact 01473 623655.

THE MARTLESHAM HEATH PAVILION

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Alternatively, please contact the booking secretary:

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OPERATION CHRISTMAS CHILD 2021

This year The Runway coffee shop are again collecting shoeboxes full of gifts for children across the world who would otherwise not receive any gifts at Christmas. Gifts such as stationery, hygiene items such as soap and toothbrushes, hats, scarves and gloves, all make excellent gifts. We are also encouraged to include small toys and items that children will especially love, such as cuddly toys, or deflated footballs and a pump.

Shoeboxes, or gifts towards a shoebox can be brought to St Michael's church next to the Green, or the Runway coffee shop, which is at the back of the church. Please note that food items, toothpaste and any lotions or liquids cannot be included.

You can also pack a shoebox online. Please go to <https://shoebonline.samaritans-purse.org.uk/> and they will take you through the process. This is a really worthwhile project to support, and is needed more than ever at the moment.

Please note the last day for bringing gifts or shoeboxes will be Sunday November 21st. The Runway is open every Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday mornings.

Revd Christine Pinder
Tel: 07555 748345



Open to all!

The Community Hall and Richards Room remain popular venues, with a good number of bookings for October and November. Nevertheless we still have slots available. One could be ideal for your activity or event? Our hire prices are held until at least Spring 2022. We're recommending hirers and attendees still take extra care due to COVID-19. You can download our Special Hire Guidance from our website - mchall.org.uk/shg.

Many of our previous regular hirers have now returned. We also have some new regulars. The Regular Hirers website page is now updated (mchall.org.uk/regular-hirers) - a quick way of checking the regular hirers and their activities.

The Richards Room was refurbished and redecorated this Spring and now has a projector and sound system. You can find out more at mchall.org.uk/richards-room. Both the Community Hall and Richards Room have free Wi-fi Internet access.

Interested in making a booking? Go to mchall.org.uk/booking for a simple '1-2-3' booking request process, with online calendars you can check. Alternatively you can call our Bookings Secretary on 01473 623203.

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Services for the Month	Martlesham Heath St Michael's Martlesham St Mary's Brightwell St John's	Online on Facebook and YouTube. Search for 'Martlesham Benefice'
Sunday 7th November	St Michael's 10am Holy Communion with Junior Church	10am All Age Holy Communion 5pm Zoom After Hours
Sunday 14th November	St Michael's 10am Morning Worship St Mary's 11am Holy Communion St John's 6.30pm BCP Evening Prayer	10am Morning Worship
Sunday 21st November	St Michael's 10am All Age Holy Communion Service	10am All Age Holy Communion 7pm Zoom Reflecting with God
Sunday 28th November	St Michael's 10am All Age Morning Worship St Mary's 11am Holy Communion St John's 6.30pm BCP Evening Prayer	10am All Age Morning Worship

**A warm welcome awaits you at all our services in our church buildings and online.
It would be helpful if you could contact Toby by the Saturday before for Zoom codes.
In the event of changes to Covid-19 restrictions find up to date service information on our Facebook page.**

Midweek Services Wednesday 10th and 24th November: 10am Holy Communion at St Michael's

Prayer Diary Please include the following as an addition to your daily prayers:

November

- 5 safety for all on Bonfire night
- 6 for the police service and those affected by crime
- 7 give praise to God for his constant presence with us
- 8 those seeking work or facing redundancy
- 9 give thanks for the beauty of our local area
- 10 the residents of Gayfer Avenue
- 11 on Armistice Day pray for those affected by war
- 12 for all suffering from addictions and their families
- 13 for kindness in all we say and do
- 14 for those not able to worship God openly today
- 15 those recently bereaved
- 16 for all victims of bullying and those who bully them
- 17 the residents of Geneva Avenue
- 18 give thanks for the gift of music and local music groups
- 19 the parish & district councillors who serve our community
- 20 all local youth clubs, Scouts and Guides

- 21 give thanks for families and children in the churches
- 22 those facing relationship breakdown
- 23 for our local doctor's surgery, staff and patients
- 24 the residents of Green Lane
- 25 for all carers
- 26 those who volunteer to maintain heathland and woods
- 27 for The Runway coffee shop, volunteers and visitors
- 28 for the beginning of Advent
- 29 the shops and offices in our community
- 30 those residents who are housebound

December

- 1 the residents of Gresswell Court
- 2 for all struggling with illness
- 3 give thanks for the diversity of creation
- 4 for wise decisions concerning Christmas expenditure

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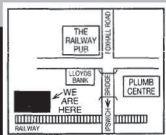
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